

Entry Level DPT Program

Ready-Set-Go Checklist

Orientation

- Orientation starts on May 23rd
- 8:30 – Terry Bld. 1st Floor Cafeteria, Orientation-Student check-in

Directions and Parking

- Park in the garage adjacent to the Terry Building.
- Campus and Terry Building Maps found on the NSU EDPT program website:
<http://www.nova.edu/locations/main-campus.html>

Student Handbook

- Read the student handbook in advance:
http://www.nova.edu/publications/cahn_student_handbook/index.html

Technology Requirements

- Review the page on this orientation website entitled “Technology Requirements & Recommendations”.

Registration

- We (the program) will register you for the summer semester and then each semester will provide you with the information for registration.

Student Supplies

- Review the page on this orientation website entitled “ PT Equipment and Supplies List and order the supply kit required for the program. You MUST order an original kit as it contains disposable items you will use throughout the program.

NSU ID, NSU Email, and Password

- When you first applied to NSU, you are given an NSU ID number, also known as the “N” number. This number is used in lieu of your social security number and is what you will use to access various resources at NSU. You will need your N number to create your Shark ID (email user name and password). If you do NOT have your N number, please go to:

<http://www.nova.edu/resources/nsuidentity.html> and click on “Retrieve your NSU ID and Pin

- Once you have your N number you can obtain your NSU email and create a password. To do so, please go to:
<http://www.nova.edu/resources/nsuidentity.html> and click on “Retrieve your SharkLink ID” this will allow you to obtain your email and create a password. Do not share your password with others.
- If you need assistance, you can call NSU’s 24 hour HELP desk at 954-262-4357. You will need your N number to be helped!

APTA

- As it gets closer to May, join the American Physical Therapy Association as a student member by going to www.apta.org
- Membership to the APTA is required throughout the program, membership pays for itself by giving discounts on equipment, books, conferences, and resources. Student APTA dues are \$90/year; and the state dues vary slightly (Florida is \$10 for students).

Class Schedules

- A tentative schedule will be posted on the orientation website. The schedule is subject to change. Students are to be available for class M-F, 8-5.

Initiate Contact with Us

The primary method to contact current students in the Program is Facebook.

- The general Facebook page for the department is <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Nova-Southeastern-University-Physical-Therapy-Program/83441279823> This is open to join.
- The Facebook page for prospective students is <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Nova-Southeastern-U-Doctor-of-Physical-Therapy-Prospective-Student-Page/156709757749324> Again this is open to join
- The LinkedIn group is at http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=4550660&trk=hb_side_g Once you click to join the group, we will approve the request. When requesting to join, type that you are part of the class of 2016.

Class preparation

- Pull out your old anatomy and physiology texts and/ or buy NEW note cards.
- Review medical terminology by going to the following free on-line course presented by Des Moines University. <http://www.dmu.edu/medterms/>
This course is designed to review basic knowledge of medical terminology and better prepare you for a career in the field of healthcare. You are required to complete this course on your own time and an exam will be scheduled on this material during your Intro to PT Class. More information on the exam and the date will be provided during the class.

Background check, physicals, health insurance /health insurance waiver

All students in the College of Health Care Sciences (CHCS) are required to complete and submit the following:

- Proof of Health Insurance: All students MUST carry health insurance. NSU will automatically bill you for health insurance UNLESS you fill out an insurance waiver form. This form requires proof of insurance. The policy and waiver forms are available once you've been registered by us approximately May 6th. Go to : http://www.nova.edu/smc/health_insurance.html
- A level I background check through our system. Please see the policy and procedure at: <http://www.nova.edu/chcs/studentaffairs/background-check.html>
- Proof of Immunization: Forms link can be found at: http://polaris.nova.edu/chcs/studentaffairs/orientation/forms/immunization_form.pdf
- Current Physical: Forms link can be found at: http://www.nova.edu/chcs/studentaffairs/orientation/forms/physical_exam_form.pdf
- **Do not complete the PPD and physical before arriving on campus.** All PT students are required to complete Physicals and PPDs in the summer in order to comply with clinic requirements throughout the 3 years. You will get e-mails indicating that you need to upload the PPD and physical to the site but just ignore these e-mails.
- The Level 1 Background Check and Immunization Form without the PPD must be completed and submitted prior to the start of classes. The physical and Immunization-PPD forms must be completed and submitted no later than July 31st. Submit physical and immunization forms at <http://www.nova.edu/chcs/studentaffairs/immunizations-physical.html>

Link to NSU Student Life-Living on Campus

<http://www.nova.edu/student-life/living-on-campus.html>

Questions?

- Contact Dr. Shari Rone-Adams, Program Director- at srone@nova.edu or 954-262-1740