

### Interpretive Guide to the

## **PTA Student Financial Fact Sheet**

The Commissioner on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education(CAPTE) requires all Physical Therapist Assistant Programs to "provide the public with current, accurate, reliable, and easily available information about the cost of attendance" (CAPTE Rules of Practice and Procedures 8.20(c) Student Costs).

The fact sheet, provided by CAPTE, is a summary of the tuition costs and average student debt for January 1 – December 31, 2024. The annual tuition costs are based on the published tuition price on July 2024. For current tuition costs, please refer to the <u>Campus Catalog Addenda</u>.

- a. The start date and completion date reflect a cohort of students that graduated from the program within the given time frame.
- b. The program does not require students to seek alternative housing or travel accommodations to attend school. However, the students are aware they may travel up to clinical externships 60 miles from the school and, depending on the students' situation, may need to secure housing/transportation. (Student can travel further than 100 miles.)
- c. 2024 Student Costs for Year 1 are based on semesters One through Three and include:
  - i. Tuition costs and the \$150 registration fee
  - ii. Required text books and uniforms
  - iii. The PTA program includes general education courses within the curriculum and is not separate from the technical/professional phase
- d. 2024 Student Costs for Year 2 are based on semesters Four to Five and include:
  - i. Tuition costs
  - ii. Required text books
- e. Total Costs of the program which reflect the July 2024 Tuition Breakdown includes:
  - i. Annual Tuition based on costs per credit hour
  - ii. Registration fee, uniforms, textbooks, and technology fees
  - iii. State specific taxes and fees, as applicable
- f. Financial aid options, scholarships and work study, etc. may be available to those who qualify.
- g. Student debt from the technical phase: Debt prior to entering in the program is not collected due to Student's Rights and not required by the Department of Education.
- h. Student debt after program completion: the institution provides a calculated median debt which includes institutional fees, federal loans, and alternative loans owed once they graduate.

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The data applies to students experiencing the program between Jan. 1, 2024 – Dec. 31, 2024. Length of Program which includes all student instruction/interaction (including classroom, laboratory, exams, and clinical education). Include the total number of weeks where either full or partial attendance is required. Length of Program in Weeks excluding breaks: \_\_\_\_75\_\_\_\_\_ Length of Program in Weeks including breaks: \_\_\_\_81\_\_\_\_\_

#### **Clinical Education**

Does this program have a requirement for all students to complete at least one clinical education experience for which the students would be required to seek alternative housing or travel accommodations to attend \_\_\_\_Yes \_\_x\_\_\_No Note: Students are responsible for costs associated with housing, travel and food during clinical education. Programs should add any additional comments about clinical education here.

Some students may need to travel and seek alternative housing, but not all

#### **Student Costs**

Note: These are costs experienced by students enrolled in the program between Jan. 1, 2024 – Dec. 31, 2024. Annual costs are estimates and may be subject to increases. Students should contact the program for further information related to costs

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	Year 1	Year 2	Total
Annual Tuition Public Institution, In-district or In-state Student:			
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Annual Tuition Private Institution Student:	24179	15522	39701
Annual institutional fees for a full-time student in the technical phase of the program[Includes general institutional fees, i.e., health insurance, recreation, etc.]	150		150
Total expected cost of other program- related expenses [Includes: required texts, laboratory fees, and other program costs for the entire technical program.]	2589	374	2963
Total Cost of the Program [Includes: tuition, fees, other program costs for the entire technical program.			42,814

# Note: Students are encouraged to explore the cost of living for areas where they may choose to live. One possible website: <a href="https://livingwage.mit.edu/">https://livingwage.mit.edu/</a>

Does the institution offer financial assistance specific to PTA students? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_X\_No

Does the program/institution offer scholarships specific to PTA students? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No

Does the program offer federal work-study positions specific to PTA students? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No

Note: Other opportunities may exist at the institution for FINANCIAL SUPPOR. Please contact the program for further information.

APTA student members are encouraged to visit the APTA Financial Solutions Center at <u>https://www.apta.org/your-career/financial-solutions-center</u>.

#### **Student Debt Summary**

# (Programs with less than 10 graduates in academic year 2023-2024 are not required to complete this section)

Average student debt from the PTA Program technical phase for students graduated or will graduate between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2024. \_\_n/a\_ Average student debt after completing the PTA program for students graduated or will graduate between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2024. Include all student loan debt. \_\$17,486\_\_\_\_\_

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