MS in Healthspan Promotion and Rehabilitation

Admission Requirements
In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, applicants must meet the following program requirements:

- **Prior Degrees** Bachelor’s degree in health-related sciences or entry-level professional degree in physical therapy.
- **Grade Point Average** At least 3.00/4.00.
- **Tests Required** None.
- **Minimum English Competency Test Score**
  - TOEFL 80, with subscores of Reading 19, Listening 17, Speaking 20, and Writing 21 (iBT Test); 60, with subscores of Reading 19, Listening 17, Writing 21 (revised Paper-Delivered Test), OR,
  - IELTS 6.5, with subscores of 6.0 for all four subscores, OR,
  - PTE-Academic 54, with subscores of Reading 51, Listening 47, Speaking 53, and Writing 56.
- **Letters of Recommendation** Three are required.
- **Personal Statement** Required. The statement should address the applicant’s goals for graduate study and career development.
- **Other Requirements** Preference will be given to applicants with interests in an academic career in rehabilitation sciences.

Degree Requirements
In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, students must meet the following program requirements:

- **Minimum Semester Hours Required** 36 for the thesis or project option. 39 hours for the course-work-only option.
- **Course Work**
  - Students completing a thesis will minimally take 22 hours of course work.
  - Students completing a project will minimally take 27 hours of course work.
  - Students completing the course-work-only option will take 39 hours of course work at the 500 level, with at least 6 hours devoted to a survey of literature and/or the conduction of case studies. 400-level courses may be applied to this requirement with advisor approval.
  - Students receiving three or more grades below B will be dismissed from the program.

The number of hours and choice of electives will vary according to the program option chosen and will be guided by student’s area of interest in consultation with the advisor (e.g., PT 503, PT 510, PT 511, and PT 562). Students may also use their electives hours to take courses within specializations—areas of study within the discipline—identified by faculty in the Department of Physical Therapy (e.g., healthy living, rehabilitation sciences). Consult with the advisor for lists of specialization courses.

- **Comprehensive Examination** Required; written. The Comprehensive Examination will be waived for a student who obtains an average grade of B or better in the core courses PT 505 and PT 506.
- **Thesis, Project, or Course-Work-Only Options**: Students select one of the three options offered as follows:
  - **Thesis**: Students are required to take 14 hours in PT 598 in addition to 10 hours of elective courses.
  - **Project**: Students are required to take 9 hours of PT 597 in addition to 15 hours of elective courses.
  - **Course-Work-Only**: Students are required to take 27 hours of elective courses.

Interdepartmental Concentrations
Students earning a graduate degree in this department may complement their courses by enrolling in select concentrations after consulting with their graduate advisor. Interdepartmental concentrations available for this degree include:

- **Black Studies**
- **Survey Research Methodology**

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