Pre-Physical Therapist Assistant Worksheet for Fall 2024 Admission

The application deadline is **February 2, 2024** for the next entering fall class. Meeting these minimum admission requirements **DOES NOT GUARANTEE** admission to the PTA program.

- Admission Requirements (deadline February 2, 2024):
 - A. Apply to Morton College by submitting the "New Student Information Form" available at www.morton.edu
 - **B.** All applicants **MUST** attend a PTA information session during the current application cycle & meet with a Healthcare Advisor. Prior year attendance **DOES NOT** fulfill requirement (see PTA application packet for a list of dates)

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- **C.** Turn in PTA Application along with proof of residency status. **Note**: Applicants wanting in-district consideration (whether living indistrict or working in-district) must submit proof by **February 2,2024**.
- **D.** Two letters of recommendation, which must be **SIGNED** and **dated** by the issuer.
- **E.** 10 hours of observation are required, in an outpatient setting; preferably 20 hours of observation with 10 inpatient and 10 outpatient settings. Observation hour log sheets will be located in application packet for record of any completed hours.
- F. Successful completion of MAT 093 (or equivalent) or Accuplacer placement testing into MAT 097 (only test dated 9/1/20 and after will be considered valid) or completion of a higher-level mathcourse. Two attempts are allowed.
- **G.** Turn in official high school or high school equivalency (GED / HiSET / TASC) (foreign transcripts must be evaluated through any member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) and the statement "has the equivalent of a U.S. high school diploma") and college transcripts with coursework through Fall 2022 to the Office of Admissions and Records. due February 2, 2024.
- H. Turn in official college transcripts of coursework completed in Spring 2024 to the Office of Admissions and Records due May 28, 2024.
- I. Minimum GPA of 2.0 to be considered
- J. A minimum GPA of 2.00 on all completed college coursework (based upon a 4.0 scale) pertaining to classes required for this degree (prerequisites and general education requirements) or high school coursework, if no college credits available, is required to be considered for admission
- **K.** Participation in an interview for inclusion and exclusion purposes with the PTA Program Admission Committee. Interview letters will be mailed/emailed to **eligible** applicants **after** <u>February 2,2024</u>.
- L. Successful completion of the following college courses, by the end of the Spring 2024 semester, with a minimum grade of "C" in each and completed within 5 years of beginning the program (spring 2019 and after):
 - 1. Rhetoric I (ENG 101) Note: Applicants who have completed ENG 101 more than five years prior to beginning the program may have this requirement waived by placing into ENG 101 on the Morton College English placement exam (only test scores dated 9/1/ and after will be valid) or if they have taken ENG 102 fall 2016 and after.
 - 2. Medical Terminology for Clinicians (PHT 101, 2 credits or HCP 130, 3 credits) or equivalent NOTE: Any Medical Terminology course taken that is over 2 credit hours will be viewed, when pertaining to points, as a 2-credit course
 - 3. Anatomy and Physiology (Therapies) (BIO 152, 5 credits) or equivalent.
 - 4. Fundamentals of Physics (PHY 100, 3 credits) or equivalent.

II. General Education ProgramRequirements:

The following courses are general education requirements for the PTA program and it is highly recommended that they be completed prior to admission.

Course:	Term/Grade:	Sem. Hrs:	Descriptio
PSY 101		3	Intro. to Psychology
ENG 102 or SPE 101		3	Communications
PSY 210 <u>or</u> PSY 215 (preferred)		3	Child Growth and Development <u>or</u> Life Span of Human Development
Humanities No admission points awarded.		3	Any course in Art, HIS 103 or 104, Humanities, Literature, Modern Language, Music, Philosophy, or Theater Arts.

Morton College Program Worksheet

The number of applicants admitted to the PTA program is limited by different factors, including the availability of clinical sites. To be **considered** for admission, applicants must complete the minimum prerequisites listed and submit all required accompanying documentation by the deadlines. Selection for admission is competitive and is determined initially by a point ranking scale/system. Ultimate selection is determined by the PTA admissions committee. Applying and meeting minimum admission requirements **does not guarantee** admission into the program.

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A minimum 2.00 Cumulative or Overall Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) on all completed college coursework (based upon a 4.00 scale) pertaining to classes required for this degree (prerequisites and general education requirements) or high school coursework, if no college credits available, is required to be considered for admission. **All prerequisites and general education courses must be completed with a "C" or better.**

*Prerequisite courses: these courses must be completed by the end of the Spring 2024 semester. It is **highly recommended** that all general education courses be completed prior to admission.

Scale A Grade Multiplier **Points** Course *PHT 101 or HCP 130 4 *BIO 152 or equivalent 10 *PHY 100 or equivalent 6 *ENG 101 3 **PSY 101** 3 PSY 215 or 210 3 ENG 102 or SPE 101 3 HUM No points awarded Total Course Points – Scale A (128 maximum points for courses) Scale B Interview All applicants are asked the same interview questions. Points allotted for questions are related to Motivation, Understanding of the Professional PTA role, Adaptability, Problem Solving, Teamwork, Conflict Resolution, Empathy, Communication Skills, Academic Maturity, and Professionalism. Total Interview Points – Scale B (60 maximum points) Scale C Applicants can earn bonus points for progress toward fulfilling program general education requirements. **Points** +10.0 points for completion of all general education courses +5.0 points for completion of all general education courses except for 1 course +0.0 points if more than 1 of the general education courses is needed Total Bonus Points - Scale C (10 maximum points) Total Points – Scale A + Scale B + Scale C (198 maximum points available)

PTA program admission is based on a point ranking system with the highest ranked applicants admitted to the program. Points are awarded as follows: A = 4, B = 3, C = 2. For each of the above completed courses, multiply the grade points earned by the multiplier listed for each course. For example, an A in ENG 101 earns 12 points (4 x 3). The final ranking is the number of points earned through the spring 2023 semester from all of the completed courses listed, interview, and possible bonus points available. THERE ARE NO ADMISSION POINTS AWARDED FOR HUMANITIES COURSES.

NOTE: A **criminal background check (requiring a Social Security number)** and a **physical examination** are required for 2nd year clinicals.