Articulation Agreement
Southwest Baptist University and Central Methodist University

Introduction
Given the similarity of our missions and values, the physical therapy program at Southwest Baptist University desires to facilitate the admission process for graduates of Central Methodist University. It is our intention that this process be facilitated by assuring that students at CMU who take the following courses will meet prerequisite requirements for the DPT program at SBU. In addition, SBU will give preference points in the selection of candidates to CMU graduates. The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at SBU starts each Fall and is completed in 33 months. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis starting in September of each year.

Applicants for the physical therapy program at SBU are required to have English composition and demonstrate computer competency. This agreement assumes that Central Methodist will continue to have these same requirements for graduation.

Agreement
A student who completes a baccalaureate degree in any major at Central Methodist University and the requirements for admission to the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Southwest Baptist University as listed below will automatically receive preference points and be eligible for the admission process.

1. Students must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average.
2. Students must complete the graduate record exam (GRE).
3. Students must complete the PT application through PTCAS by the deadline of the intended enrollment date.
4. Students must document up to 40 hours experience/observation in physical therapy.
5. International students must meet eligibility requirements as outlined in the section on Admission to the University in the Southwest Baptist University catalog.
6. Students must complete all of the following prerequisite courses with a minimum of a “C” and a 3.25 prerequisite GPA. Prerequisites should not be taken pass/fail.
   - General Chemistry: two semesters in sequence with labs
   - General Physics: two semesters in sequence with labs
   - General Biology: one semester with lab
   - Anatomy/Physiology: one semester each or full year combined sequence with labs from a science-based department
Statistics: one course
Psychology:
- Applicants for Fall 2022 or later: three courses from a psychology department (1. general, 2. normal growth and development, 3. abnormal development)
- Applicants for Fall 2021 or earlier: two courses from a psychology department (1. general, 2. normal growth and development OR abnormal development)

7. Completion of the following support courses (not calculated into prerequisite GPA)
   Medical Terminology: one semester is required at a "B" grade or higher
   Exercise Physiology: not required, but highly recommended; students demonstrating successful completion of an exercise physiology course with a "B" grade or higher will be exempt from completing the exercise physiology component of the DPT program
   Pathophysiology: not required, but highly recommended

A description of the procedure and agreement should be published in the Central Methodist catalog to assist the students in their planning. The admissions requirements are subject to change. If requirements change, Central Methodist will be notified via a formal letter. Updates to the requirements can also be found in the most current SBU graduate catalog.

If no Central Methodist students matriculate into the program over a three-year period or the university no longer shares similarities in mission and value, the program chair reserves the right to review the articulation agreement with Central Methodist and determine appropriate action to be taken.

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Date
Central Methodist Univ. Prerequisite Equivalency
For Southwest Baptist University DPT program

Chemistry
General Chemistry – CH 111  and  General Chemistry with Qualitative Analysis – CH 114

Physics
General Physics I – PH 111  and  General Physics II – PH 112

Biology
General Biology – BI 101
or
General Biology – BI 103
or
With approval, any upper level human or animal-based Biology course with a lab

Anatomy & Physiology
Human Anatomy – BI 107  and  Human Physiology – BI 205

Statistics
Elementary Statistics – MA 105
or
Probabilities and Statistics – MA 106

Psychology (applicants for Fall of 2022 or later will require all 3 psychology courses)
General Psychology – PY 101
and
Developmental Psychology – PY 233  or  Abnormal Psychology – PY 301

Medical Terminology (not calculated in prereq GPA but required at B or higher)
Medical Terminology

Recommendations
Physiology of Exercise – PE 327 (possible prerequisite in the future)
Pathophysiology