

## Exercise Science/DPT Early Assurance Program

### Application requirements:

To be eligible for the combined freshman-entry ExSci/DPT program, the student must have the following

- An overall unweighted high school GPA of 3.4 or weighted of 3.6
- High School science and math grades of 90 or higher
- SAT of 1150 (can be waived if both weighted and unweighted GPA meet criteria) or ACT equivalent
- 50 experiential hours under the supervision of a physical therapist
- Passing a personal interview by Wingate DPT faculty

In addition, to continue enrollment in the program and be accepted to the professional phase of the WU DPT program, the student must meet the following criteria:

- Maintain the overall GPA of 3.5 and science grade point average of 3.25 in the undergraduate exercise science phase
- Maintain all science and math grades at a B or better
- Perform 50 additional hours of volunteer/paid experience with PT supervision each academic year
- Apply to the program through PTCAS (centralized application service) during the third year of undergraduate studies
- Complete criminal background check

**Advantages of the Early Assurance Program:** Those students who are admitted to the Early Assurance program and continue to meet predetermined criteria as they progress through the undergraduate phase, will enjoy the following advantages:

- Earn a Doctor of Physical Therapy one year earlier than non Early Assurance program students;
- Seamless transition into Wingate University's Doctor of Physical Therapy program without the stress of competing against other qualified DPT applicants;
- Gain access to DPT students, faculty, and staff via the Pre-PT student organization;
- Receive individualized academic advising from a member of the undergraduate Exercise Science faculty; and
- Experience a dedicated Gateway class that will include leadership building opportunities.