



Physical Therapy

State	Meets or Does Not Meet State Requirements	State Licensing Board Website	SFU Degree Curriculum	State Education Requirement	Education Notes	State Exams	Exam Notes	State Minimum Age	Minimum Age Notes	Good Moral Character	Good Moral Character Notes
Alabama	Meets State requirements	http://pt.alabama.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Alabama Jurisprudence Examination	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Alaska	Meets State requirements	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/PhysicalTherapyOccupationalTherapy.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Official transcript (first professional PT or PTA conferred degree)	2	FSBPT examination and Jurisprudence questionnaire	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Arizona	Meets State requirements	https://ptboard.az.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	An official transcript or letter showing that the applicant completed all requirements of an accredited educational program that includes the official seal of the university or college where the applicant completed the accredited educational program and signature of the registrar of the university or college	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Arizona Jurisprudence Examination	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Arkansas	Meets State requirements	https://www.arptb.org/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Official transcript with registrar's seal including physical therapy degree and date of graduation	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Arkansas Jurisprudence Examination	21	Must be at least 21 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
California	Meets State requirements	http://www.ptbc.ca.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	This form is to be completed in its entirety and signed by the college registrar or program director of the degree-granting program to document completion and graduation of a professional degree program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and California Law Examination	18	Must be above 18 years of age Sec 2635.	N/A	
Colorado	Meets State requirements	https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Physical_Therapy	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Graduate or be on track to graduate from a program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy (CAPTE).	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	N/A		N/A	
Connecticut	Meets State requirements	https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Physical_Therapy	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Successful completion of a program of study approved by the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA); Official transcript showing date of graduation and award of physical therapy degree;	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	N/A		N/A	
Delaware	Meets State requirements	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/physicaltherapy/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	If you were educated in the U.S., arrange for the Board office to receive an official transcript sent directly from the college or university to the Board office. • Your school must be accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).	1	National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE)	N/A		N/A	

District of Columbia	Meets State requirements	https://dchealth.dc.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Washington D. C. Jurisprudence Examination	18	Applicant must be at least eighteen (18) years of age	Yes	Character Reference List. List the names and addresses of three responsible persons (other than relatives, instructors or employers) who have known you for at least one year and can attest to your character.
Florida	Meets State requirements	http://floridasphysicaltherapy.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Applicants must have received a degree as a physical therapist from an institution that has been approved for the training of physical therapists by the Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Florida Laws and Rules Examination	18	Must be at least 18 years old	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Georgia	Meets State requirements	https://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/39	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Official documentation of satisfactory completion/anticipated completion of PT/PTA curriculum; such document must provide date of graduation and degree conferred.	2	National Physical Therapy Examination and Georgia Jurisprudence Exam	18	Must be at least 18 years old		You must be provided written notification that your fingerprints/biometrics will be used to check the criminal history records
Hawaii	Meets State requirements	http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/physicaltherapy/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Graduated from a Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) accredited physical therapy program	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	18	An applicant shall be beyond the age of majority (18 years of age)		Have you ever been convicted of a crime in any jurisdiction that has not been annulled or expunged?
Idaho	Meets State requirements	https://dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/Home.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Proof of graduation from a nationally accredited school, with a curriculum acceptable to the board, for physical therapists or physical therapist assistants	2	Includes 20 question jurisprudence examination as part of the application. Applicants are free to refer to Idaho rules and regulations as they complete the exam. National Physical Therapy Examination	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Illinois	Meets State requirements	https://www.idfpr.com/profs/pt.asp	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	ED-PT Form (Certificate of Education)-- Use exam ED-PT form. Form must be signed by the Dean or Director of your physical therapy education program with school seal affixed;	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	21	Must be at least 21 years of age.	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Indiana	Meets State requirements	https://www.in.gov/pla/pt.htm	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for a license as a physical therapist must submit proof to the committee of the applicant's graduation from a school or program of physical therapy that meets standards set by the committee.	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	N/A			Can not have a conviction for a crime that has a direct bearing on the applicant's ability to practice competently
Iowa	Meets State requirements	http://idph.iowa.gov/licensure/iowa-board-of-physical-and-occupational-therapy	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Official final transcripts sent directly to the board office from professional school.	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	N/A		N/A	
Kansas	Meets State requirements	http://www.ksbha.org/professions/PT.shtml	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	The applicant pursued and completed all requirements for the program of a Physical Therapist or Physical Therapist Assistant according to the standards of accreditation prevailing at the time.	2	National Physical Therapy Examination and Kansas Jurisprudence exam	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.

Kentucky	Meets State requirements	https://pt.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Before applying for licensure by the board as a physical therapist, a person shall have successfully completed an accredited program in physical therapy approved by the board. No school shall be approved by the board unless it has been approved for the educational preparation of physical therapists by the recognized national accrediting agency for physical therapy educational programs.	2	National Physical Therapy Examination and Kentucky jurisprudence exam	N/A		N/A	
Louisiana	Meets State requirements	https://www.laptboard.org/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Must have graduated from a school of physical therapy, which school, at the time of such graduation, was approved by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education or the board. §2409	2	National Physical Therapy Examination and Louisiana jurisprudence exam	21	Must be at least 21 years of age.	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Maine	Meets State requirements	http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/physical_therapists/index.html	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Be a graduate of an educational program for the physical therapist or the physical therapist assistant that is accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Commissioner of Education or the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation, or both, and approved by the board; or if the applicant has been trained in another country, present satisfactory evidence that the applicant has graduated from a school of physical therapy approved or accredited in the country where the school is located and have educational credentials equivalent to those of the United States trained physical therapist or physical therapist assistant	1	National Physical Therapy Examination	N/A			Demonstrate that the applicant is trustworthy and competent to engage in practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in such manner as to safeguard the interests of the public §3114-A
Maryland	Meets State requirements	https://health.maryland.gov/bphte/Pages/index.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Post-graduation transcript with degree and date earned, mailed to the Board Office directly from the Registrar's office.	2	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) and the Maryland Jurisprudence Examination	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Massachusetts	Meets State requirements	https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-allied-health-professionals	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Official transcripts with degree conferral and documentation of all academic and fieldwork requirements must also be submitted before a license is issued.	1	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE)	N/A		N/A	
Michigan	Meets State requirements	https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601_7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27549---_00.html	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Must be a graduate of a program for the training of physical therapist assistants approved by the board.	2	Michigan jurisprudence exam and NPTE	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Minnesota	Meets State requirements	https://mn.gov/boards/physical-therapy/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	US/Canadian Graduates. To establish eligibility for licensure, an applicant must have successfully completed an accredited physical therapy educational program.	1	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE)	N/A		Yes	Recommendations by two physical therapists registered or licensed to practice physical therapy in the United States or Canada attesting to the applicant's ethical and moral character

Mississippi	Meets State requirements	https://www.msbpt.ms.gov/secure/index.asp	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Must have graduated from a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant program accredited by an agency recognized by the US Department of Education, Office on Postsecondary Education	2	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) and Mississippi Jurisprudence Exam	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Missouri	Meets State requirements	http://pr.mo.gov/physicaltherapists.asp	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	State degree received, date degree received, school of graduation and location of school.	2	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) and state jurisprudence exam	21	Must be at least 21 years of age.	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Montana	Meets State requirements	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/physical-therapy-examiners/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Education Requirements: Completion of a Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) accredited Physical Therapy or Physical Therapy Assistant program.	2	Examination Information: Must have passed the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) or National Physical Therapy Assistant Examination (NPTAE) and Jurisprudence Examination.	18	Must be at least 18 years of age.	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Nebraska	Meets State requirements	http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Physical-Therapy.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Nebraska Jurisprudence Examination (NELAW)	19	Evidence of at least 19 years of age		If you have been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony, you must list all convictions in Section C of the application
Nevada	Meets State requirements	http://ptboard.nv.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	2	National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) and Nevada Jurisprudence Examination	N/A		N/A	
New Hampshire	Meets State requirements	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/physical-therapy-governing-board	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Must be a graduate of a professional physical therapy education program accredited by the Commission on the Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education or by another board-approved accrediting organization.	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and New Hampshire Jurisprudence Examination (NH JAM*)	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
New Jersey	Meets State requirements	http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pt/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	An entry-level (first professional) master's degree or an entry-level (first professional) doctor of physical therapy degree is required if you graduated after January 1, 2003. A post-professional master's degree and/or a transitional-D.P.T. (Doctorate of Physical Therapy) degree does not satisfy the educational requirements for licensure.	2	National Physical Therapist Exam and Jurisprudence Assessment Module	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
New Mexico	Meets State requirements	http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/physical_therapy.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Documentation of graduation from an accredited educational program in the form of an official college or university transcript confirming the completion of the curriculum from a program approved by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and New Mexico Jurisprudence Examination	N/A		N/A	
New York	Meets State requirements	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/pt/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	New York State Registered or CAPTE/APTA Accredited Physical Therapy Program, you must have: a master's or higher degree in physical therapy.	1	The National Physical Therapy Examination, or an examination determined by the Department to be comparable in content, is required for physical therapy licensure in New York.	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.

North Carolina	Meets State requirements	https://www.ncptboard.org/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	If an applicant for physical therapy licensure, has been graduated from a physical therapy program accredited by an agency recognized by either the U.S. Office of Education or the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation	2	FSBPT Exam and Jurisprudence Exam	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
North Dakota	Meets State requirements	https://www.ndbpt.org/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	An OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT, indicating completion of an accredited physical therapist program, must be sent directly from the school of graduation. If an official transcript is not available at the time of application, a letter from the school director indicating graduation will be accepted for approval to sit for the NPTE.	2	National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) and state jurisprudence examination .	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Ohio	Meets State requirements	http://otptat.ohio.gov/PhysicalTherapySection.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Proof of completion of a master's or doctorate program of physical therapy education that is accredited by a national physical therapy accreditation agency recognized by the United States department of education	2	National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) and Ohio Jurisprudence Exam	N/A		N/A	
Oklahoma	Meets State requirements	http://www.okmedicalboard.org/physical_therapists	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Applicants for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must be of good moral character and have graduated from an accredited physical therapy or physical therapist assistant program acceptable to the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.	1	Applicants must have passed a competency examination acceptable to the Board - FSBPT	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Oregon	Meets State requirements	http://www.oregon.gov/ptbrd/Pages/index.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Must be a graduate of an accredited professional physical therapy education program approved by the board	2	National Physical Therapy Examinations and Jurisprudence Examination	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Pennsylvania	Meets State requirements	http://www.dos.pa.gov/professionallicensing/boards/commissions/physicaltherapy/Pages/default.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	An applicant for licensure by examination shall have graduated from a physical therapy program accredited by CAPTE or by another National organization recognized by the Board that accredits physical therapy programs.	1	National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE)	20	Must be at least 20 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Rhode Island	Meets State requirements	http://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=236	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	U.S. Graduate - Official transcript from an accredited School of Physical Therapy.	1	Must have passed the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) of the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT)	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
South Carolina	Meets State requirements	https://llr.sc.gov/pt/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Applicants must be graduates of a Board-approved physical therapy program at a school, college or university located within the continental United States or its territories which has satisfied the accreditation standards of the Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).	1	The South Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (SCBPTE) requires that applicants sit for and pass the National Physical Therapy Examinations (NPTE) as a prerequisite for licensure.	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	N/A	

South Dakota	Meets State requirements	http://www.sdbmoe.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	The applicant has completed a course of professional instruction equivalent to an approved program accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation	1	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE)	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Tennessee	Meets State requirements	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pt-board/pt-board/licensure.html	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	If sitting for the physical therapist examination, be a graduate of a school of physical therapy accredited by CAPTE	1	Pass to the satisfaction of the Board an examination conducted by it to determine fitness for practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant - National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE)	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Texas	Meets State requirements	http://www.ptot.texas.gov/page/home	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	The transcript must show at least active enrollment in the final semester of the PT or PTA program and must be sent directly to the Board by the registrar.	2	Effective June 2017 National Physical Therapy Examinations and Texas Jurisprudence Examination	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Utah	Meets State requirements	https://dopl.utah.gov/pt/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Official transcripts documenting graduation from an approved program or original letter from FCCPT documenting that my education is equal to a CAPTE accredited program.	2	National exam from FSBPT and state jurisprudence exam	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Vermont	Meets State requirements	https://sos.vermont.gov/physical-therapists/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	1	Pass the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT)	N/A		N/A	
Virginia	Meets State requirements	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PhysicalTherapy/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	OFFICIAL transcripts must be received from your school to include school seal, date of graduation, and program completed before licensure will be issued. If you are within 60 days of completing your degree requirements, you may submit the Educational Authorization Form that must be completed by your professional school in order to be allowed to sit for the Examination.	1	National exam from FSBPT	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	N/A	
Washington	Meets State requirements	https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/PhysicalTherapist	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Applicant must graduate from an institution of higher learning accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education under RCW 18.74.030(2)	2	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) and state jurisprudence exam	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.
West Virginia	Meets State requirements	http://www.wvbopt.com/index.cfm	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	1	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE)	18	Must be at least 18 years of age	Yes	Must be of good moral character.
Wisconsin	Meets State requirements	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/PT/Default.aspx	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Be a graduate of an approved school and be scheduled to take the National Physical Therapy Examination or be awaiting examination results.	2	National Physical Therapy Exam and state jurisprudence exam	N/A		N/A	
Wyoming	Meets State requirements	http://physicaltherapy.wyo.gov/	Curriculum	Doctor of Physical Therapy	Each applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must have completed a CAPTE approved program of physical therapy education.	2	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) and state jurisprudence exam	N/A		Yes	Must be of good moral character.