

Essential Functions

Professions in rehabilitation, including physical therapist assistant, can be physically demanding, as well as cognitively and emotionally challenging. In order to maintain safety for the student and the patient, there are some key abilities required for success in the program and with employment. Students who have concerns about these abilities are required to contact the CGTC PTA program. Please review carefully the abilities required. Although accommodations can be provided, accommodations that lower or change classroom standards or program standards will not be provided.

Requirements: Critical Thinking/Cognitive Ability

Standards: Critical thinking ability for clinical problem solving.

Requirements: Professional Relationships/Behavioral Ability

Standards: Demonstration of professionalism in all situations.

Requirements: Mobility/Motor Function

Standards: Physical abilities sufficient for safe patient handling.

Requirements: Hearing/Sensory Function

Standards: Auditory ability sufficient for monitoring and assessing health needs.

Requirements: Visual/Sensory Function

Standards: Visual ability sufficient for assessment essential in patient care.

Requirements: Tactile Sense/Sensory Function

Standards: Tactile ability adequate for physical assessment.