

State University of New York
Upstate Medical University

Affiliation Agreement

*Doctor of Physical Therapy Program
3+3 Agreement
Between
SUNY Upstate Medical University
And SUNY Oswego*

July 2024

This agreement establishes procedures to promote the easy transition of qualified students from SUNY Oswego to the 3+3 Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program at SUNY Upstate Medical University (Upstate).

Objectives of this Agreement:

- To promote the easy transition of qualified students from SUNY Oswego to the 3+3 Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program at Upstate Medical University. The 3+3 DPT Program will require three years of study (six semesters) at SUNY Oswego and 2.5 years (8 semesters) of study at Upstate. Upon successful completion of three years at SUNY Oswego and the first year at Upstate, SUNY Oswego students will be awarded a Biology BA degree from SUNY Oswego. Upon successful completion of 2.5 years (8 semesters) at Upstate in the Entry level DPT program, students will be awarded a DPT degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University.
- To provide specific information for students who wish to pursue a DPT degree at SUNY Upstate Medical University.
- To attract qualified students to SUNY Oswego and SUNY Upstate Medical University.
- To encourage academic coordination and faculty/administrative interaction, including curricular exchanges between SUNY Oswego and SUNY Upstate Medical University.
- To exchange information on the success and failures of the 3+3 DPT program.

Terms of the Agreement:

High School Seniors must apply to the 3+3 Early Assurance Program at SUNY Upstate at the same time that they apply to SUNY Oswego. The decision to admit to SUNY Upstate Medical University will be at the sole discretion of the appropriate admission committee at SUNY Upstate. The decision to admit to SUNY Oswego will be at the sole discretion of SUNY Oswego.

High School Seniors who are accepted to the 3+3 DPT program by both SUNY Oswego and Upstate will be guaranteed acceptance to the 3+3 program at both institutions providing they meet all conditions of their acceptance as required by each individual college.

Students accepted under the 3+3 Early Assurance program will be guaranteed 1st year graduate status upon completion of their third year of study at SUNY Oswego providing they have satisfied all core degree requirements for SUNY Oswego and have completed all prerequisite courses and conditions of acceptance required by Upstate for the DPT program of study as outlined in this agreement and in their letter of acceptance to Upstate.

Students accepted to the 3+3 DPT Program will have the following conditions:

- Students will be required to have a 3.3 cumulative and prerequisite GPA by the end of the fall and spring semester of their junior year (a minimum grade of "C" in each prerequisite course is required, though a minimum grade of "B" is recommended).
- All science prerequisite courses must include laboratories.
- Sixty hours of shadowing, work or volunteer experience with a Physical Therapist in two different settings (minimum of six hours of shadowing in one setting). Official documentation of each experience is required from a physical therapist they have shadowed and must be received by the Office of Admissions within 30 days of completing the shadowing and no later than March of their year of entry.
- CPR certification
- SUNY Oswego agrees to accept the first year of academic study in the DPT Program at Upstate as the final year of study at SUNY Oswego and will grant a Biology BA degree upon successful completion (at least a 2.0 GPA) of the first year of study at Upstate.
- Students will spend three years at SUNY Oswego and 2.5 years (8 semesters) in the DPT Program at Upstate.
- SUNY Oswego agrees that a student accepted by Upstate will pay DPT tuition to Upstate for the 2.5 years (8 semesters) that they are enrolled in the DPT program at SUNY Upstate.
- SUNY Oswego will provide a faculty advisor to ensure the 3+3 student is taking the appropriate course work for the 3+3 DPT program and the degree requirements.

Course Equivalencies Agreement

Both institutions agree to maintain a current listing of the course equivalencies as they appear online in the Course Equivalents Guide.

<http://www.upstate.edu/chp/admissions/trans.php>

Students must complete SUNY Oswego's course requirements including the following 44 credit hours:*

Anatomy and Physiology I and II	8*	Social Science elective	3
General Biology I & II**	8*	General Physics I and II	8*
General Chemistry I & II	8*	Psychology elective	3
English Elective	3	Statistics	3

* Science courses must include a lab

**Biology II can be fulfilled at SUNY Oswego with either BIO 340 (Plant Kingdom) or BIO 370 (Animal Kingdom)

Prerequisite requirements are subject to change.

https://www.upstate.edu/chp/programs/pt/pre_reqs.php

Upstate's AP and IB credit policy: In order to utilize Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) college credits to fulfill prerequisites at SUNY, it is necessary for the credits to have been accepted by the student's previous accredited college. The AP and/or IB credits must be clearly indicated on the previous college's transcript, specifying the courses they fulfilled. Alternatively, Upstate Student Admissions can accept an official email from an Academic Advisor or Registrar's Office representative from the previous college confirming the acceptance of the AP and/or IB credits. Additionally, an official score report from College Board (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) will be required for verification purposes.

3+3 DPT Early Assurance students who plan to take any DPT prerequisite course at a college other than their undergraduate institution need to get the course pre-approved by the 3+3 DPT Early Assurance Admissions Advisor at Upstate

Administration of Financial Aid

For the purpose of administering Federal and State student financial aid, SUNY Oswego will be the home institution for the first three years of the program. SUNY Upstate Medical University will assume responsibility as the home institution for 2.5 years (8 semesters) term, once the student has matriculated at Upstate. Students at Upstate are considered to be enrolled at the graduate/professional level. Financial aid eligibility at Upstate is based on graduate/professional enrollment, even though the individual student may not yet have earned a Bachelor's degree.

Admission Criteria for the 3+3 Program

Early Assurance Application Requirements for the 3+3 DPT program are as follows:

- Recommended unweighted High School grade point average 90 or higher.
- Four years of science and math. Regents, honors, AP or IB level recommended.
- Observational experience with a physical therapist through participation in a Health Explorers Post, New Visions Program, shadowing or volunteer work. Minimum of 8 hours is required.
- Qualified applicants will be invited for an interview.
- Early Assurance is only available for high school seniors.
- 3 + 3 Early Assurance online application must be submitted by February 1. All supporting documents must be postmarked by February 7th. The SUNY Upstate Medical University application is available online: https://www.upstate.edu/chp/programs/pt/how-to-apply/early_3-3_chp.php
- Admissions decisions will be made following interviews with SUNY Upstate Medical University.
- The SUNY application is not required for SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Review/Revision of the Agreement

Any changes in the courses or programs at either institution will lead to discussion between the appropriate faculty and administrators at both institutions. At the request of either party, a review of the 3+3 Agreement will be conducted by both institutions.

Assistance Agreement

SUNY Oswego and SUNY Upstate Medical University agree to encourage qualified students to participate in this program by providing advisement, information, and assistance to prospective students.

Upstate Admissions Office will forward a copy of the acceptance letter and conditions of acceptance to the Department of Biological Sciences Chairperson, the Assistant Vice President for Admissions and Financial Aid, and the Provost at SUNY Oswego for all students accepted by Upstate who indicate that they will attend SUNY Oswego for their first three years of study.

BA, DPT Degree Requirements – 3+3 Program

SUNY Oswego and SUNY Upstate Medical University both agree to jointly participate in the 3+3 Program.

Baccalaureate Degree for the 3+3 Program. Students will be awarded a BA in Biology from SUNY Oswego upon receipt of an official transcript from SUNY Upstate Medical University indicating successful completion, grade of C or better, of the courses taken during the first year (summer, fall and spring semesters) of Upstate's curriculum:

<https://www.upstate.edu/chp/programs/pt/study.php>

It is the responsibility of the student to request that their Upstate transcript be sent to Oswego.

Doctorate of Physical Therapy. Students will be awarded the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree by Upstate after successfully completing the complete 2.5 years (8 semesters) program of study as outlined on the SUNY Upstate website:

<https://www.upstate.edu/chp/programs/pt/study.php>

Course descriptions for the Entry-Level Doctor of Physical Therapy coursework at SUNY Upstate can be found by accessing the college catalog on the Upstate website:

https://www.upstate.edu/currentstudents/document/academic_catalog.pdf

Effective Date and Termination.

This Agreement will be effective on the date it is signed by both institutions and will be valid for an initial period of five years. Upon expiration of the five years, the AGREEMENT will be subject to renewal upon written consent of both institutions. Additions and changes to this AGREEMENT may be made at any time with the written agreement of both Upstate and SUNY Oswego students enrolled in the 3+3 Baccalaureate/DPT Pathway who maintain continuous registration will not be affected by any changes in the provisions of this AGREEMENT. Either party may withdraw from this AGREEMENT upon 90 days written notice to the other institution. Except to the extent required by law or regulatory bodies, or necessary to ensure the safety and wellbeing of participating students, termination of this AGREEMENT shall not affect students already accepted into the 3+3 Baccalaureate/DPT Pathway under the terms of this AGREEMENT. These students shall be allowed to complete the 3+3 baccalaureate/DPT Pathway under the terms outlines herein.

SUNY Oswego University Outline of Course Requirements for Years One, Two and Three

Appendix A
SUNY Oswego, Years 1 – 3
Updated 2024

Y1 Fall		
ENG 102	Composition II *	3
Foreign Lang 101		3
CHE 111 & 113	Chemistry I *	4
BIO 110	Seminar	1
MAT 179	Measuring life *	3
Total:		14

Y1 Spring		
Foreign Lang 102		3
Western civilization		3
CHE 212 & 214	Chemistry II *	4
BIO 120	Molecular/Cellular Foundations *	4
Total:		14

Y2 Fall		
PSY 100	Intro to Psych *	3
CHE 230/331	Intro to organic/Organic Chem I	4
BIO 220	Diversity of Life	3
BIO 315/16	Genetics	4
Total:		14

Y2 Spring		
American History		3
CHE 360/332	Intro to Biochem/Organic Chem II	4
MAT 120/210	Precalc/Calculus	3 to 4
BIO 340* or 370* (Area 1 elective)		3 to 4
World awareness		3
Total:		16-18

Y3 Fall		
PHY 111	Physics I *	4
Social Science choice *		3
BIO 305	A&P I *	4
Area 2 BIO/ZOO elective		3 to 4
Humanities		3
Total:		17-18

Y3 Spring		
PHY 212	Physics II *	4
Area 3 BIO/ZOO elective		3 to 4
BIO 425	Evolution	3
BIO 306	A&P II *	4
Gen Ed Student choice		3
Total:		17-18

Notes:

Courses required for the program at SUNY Oswego that should be taken in sequence appear in **bold**. Other courses can be taken in different semesters than shown with guidance from the student's academic advisor.

Students who have satisfied foreign language and/or other requirements through high school coursework or competency exams will use the additional credits to complete other degree requirements or free electives.

* indicates a prerequisite for Upstate's DPT program

The undergraduate academic calendar can be found on SUNY Oswego's website:

<http://catalog.oswego.edu/>

SUNY Upstate DPT Year 1 Program of Study

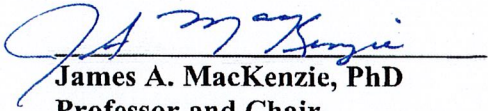
This chart lists the curriculum for the first year of the Doctor of Physical Therapy curriculum and how the credit will be transferred back to SUNY Oswego to meet the biology bachelor's degree requirements.

Summer Year 1		
9 Weeks-Long Fall Semester		
<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Transferring in for:</u>
Gross Anatomy (PHYT 601)	5	Bio XXX
Fundamentals of Physical Therapist Practice 1 (PHYT 610)	4	Bio XXX
Total	9	
Fall Year 1		
15 Weeks		
<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credits</u>	
Clinical Sciences 1 (PHYT 606)	4	Bio XXX
Therapeutic Exercise 1 (PHYT 608)	3	Bio XXX
Musculoskeletal 1 (PHYT 625)	4	Bio XXX
Fundamentals of Physical Therapist Practice 2 (PHYT 613)	4	Bio XXX
Total	15	
Spring Year 1		
15 Weeks		
<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credits</u>	
Clinical Sciences 2 (PHYT 607)	4	Bio XXX
Clinical Neuroscience (PHYT 605)	5	Bio XXX
Musculoskeletal 2 (PHYT 626)	4	Bio XXX
Fundamentals of Physical Therapist Practice 3 (PHYT 614)	3	Bio XXX
Total	16	

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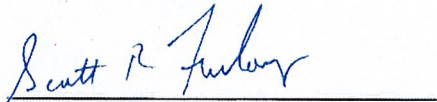
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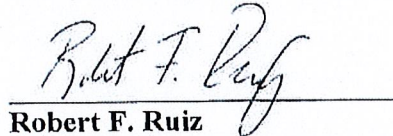


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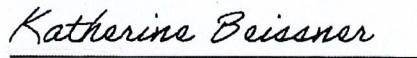
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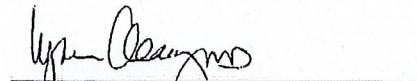
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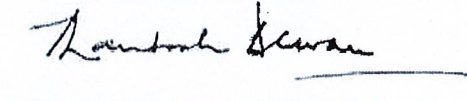
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