



# DISCLOSURE REGARDING PROGRAM PREPARATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION

<b>COLLEGE</b>	<b>College of Health Professions and Sciences</b>
<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>Doctor of Physical Therapy, DPT</b>

The University of Central Florida is committed to providing clear and accurate information to current and prospective students to help inform career planning. The UCF program identified above prepares students to practice in a field with professional licensure or certification available. However, specific licensure and certification requirements can and often do vary by state<sup>1</sup>. Requirements typically include earning a degree or other educational credential in the field from an institution and program that meet certain eligibility requirements in that state (e.g., curricular requirements, accredited status, approval by the state licensing board); passing a state or national exam; working in the field for a minimum period of time; and/or completing a certain number of clinical hours. If your career plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements of the state in which you hope to practice.

## UCF Program Preparation in the State of Florida

The above-named UCF program meets the educational requirements for licensure as a physical therapist in the state of Florida. We advise you to review additional Florida Board of Physical Therapy licensure requirements available here<sup>2</sup>: <https://floridasphysicaltherapy.gov/licensing>.

## UCF Program Preparation in Other US States

As a member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), UCF is authorized to offer educational programs in all states (except California), the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands. The state of California is not currently a member of NC-SARA, but UCF is authorized to offer educational programming there as well.

The UCF Doctor of Physical Therapy Program, due to its professional accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), meets the educational eligibility criteria for licensure as a physical therapist in any state of the union in the United States, including the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands.

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<sup>1</sup> Following 34 CFR 600.2, a state is defined as a State of the Union, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau.

<sup>2</sup> As required by 38 USC 3679(f)(1)(A)(ix)

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Additional requirements for licensure in all states include passage of the National Physical Therapy Examination administered by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT). However, additional requirements can vary by state. Often, states require the administrator for the CAPTE-accredited program from which a student graduates to certify the student's successful completion of that program.

Depending upon the state, candidates for licensure may also be required to demonstrate successful completion of the state jurisdiction's juris prudence examination. The FSBPT provides information on requirements to practice as a physical therapist in each state and includes direct contact information for each licensing jurisdiction and their legislative policies (<https://www.fsbpt.org/Free-Resources/Licensing-Authorities-Contact-Information>).

We are currently unable to determine whether or not the above-named program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure in American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau. If you have an interest in pursuing licensure in these locations, we advise you to determine whether or not this program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply in that location. State licensing board contact information for this field can be found here: <https://apq.ucf.edu/document/statelicensingboards-pt>. You are also welcome to reach out to the UCF program contact identified below with questions in this regard, and we will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

### **UCF Program Preparation Outside the United States**

This disclosure does not address program eligibility in countries outside the United States. We are unable to determine whether or not the above-named degree program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification outside the United States. Again, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements in the location in which you hope to practice.

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