

Physical Therapy Aide PROGRAM



Blackstone Career Institute's distance learning programs enable you to learn a new career at your own pace without disrupting your present job or lifestyle. Upon completion, you will have a Physical Therapy Aide diploma, along with the skills and confidence necessary to obtain employment in one of the fastest growing career fields.

The Job of the Future

The demand for physical therapy aides is expected to increase, reflecting the rapid growth in the healthcare industry due to a population that is increasing in number as well as climbing in age. The elderly population, those who have suffered from heart attacks and strokes, trauma victims, and newborns with birth defects will all greatly benefit from cardiac or physical rehabilitation and therapeutic services.

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Why Choose to be a Physical Therapy Aide

The Career

Physical therapy aides help physical therapists and physical therapist assistants to provide treatments to patients that improve mobility, relieve pain, and prevent or lessen physical disabilities. Typical job responsibilities include keeping the treatment area clean and organized and preparing for patient appointments. They may also help transport patients from one treatment area to another and perform clerical and administrative duties.

Job Opportunities

Physical therapy aides work in a variety of settings, including home healthcare services, nursing care facilities, general and medical surgical hospitals, and offices of physicians and other health practitioners, including other orthopedic practices.

Employment Outlook

Physical therapy is a growing field with great prospects for physical therapy aides, who help physical therapists to manage more patients. The employment outlook for physical therapy aides is better than the average for all occupations; the projected job growth in this field is expected to be up to 30% by 2026. (U.S. Department of Labor Statistics, 2016-2017 Occupational Outlook Handbook)

What You Can Earn

The U.S. Department of Labor Statistics lists the middle 50 percent of physical therapy aides earning up to \$25,680. Working for a nursing care facility resulted in the highest median annual wages for industries that employ the largest numbers of physical therapy aides.

YOUR Program Overview

Units 1 through 17

1. Blackstone's Skills for Success
2. English Usage and Written Communication
3. Introduction to Computers, Keyboarding and Office Technology
4. Anatomy and Medical Terminology 1: An Introduction
5. Anatomy and Medical Terminology 2
6. Anatomy and Medical Terminology 3
7. Anatomy and Medical Terminology 4
8. Interpersonal Communications
9. Critical Thinking Skills
10. Physical Therapy Aide 1
11. Physical Therapy Aide 2
12. Physical Therapy Aide 3
13. Physical Therapy Aide 4
14. Physical Therapy Aide 5
15. Medical Ethics and HIPAA
16. Time and Stress Management
17. How to Find a Job in Healthcare

What you receive WITH YOUR program

- Physical Therapy Aide, A Worktext by Roberta C. Weiss
- Physical Therapy Aide Study Guides
- Blackstone Typing Tutor
- Online Student Center
- Graduation Documents

A Blackstone Education Provides...

Superior Student Services

You are not alone when studying with Blackstone. While there is no formal campus or classrooms, we offer assistance to our students that is second to none.

Program Assistance

Our education department is simply a phone call, fax, or e-mail away if you need help with your course studies. Use our toll-free number to access our staff or e-mail your questions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Thorough Testing

Eighteen multiple-choice exams, chapter self-checks, and a required keyboarding assignment assist us in assessing your understanding of the concepts taught. Online testing is available through our Online Student Center.

Ample Time

Students are permitted up to one year to complete the program. There are no formal classes to attend, so you can study when and where it suits you.

Affordable Tuition

Our Physical Therapy Aide Program remains one of the most reasonably priced in the country. Your tuition cost covers your entire program including all e-books, electronic resources, study guides and study units, exam and homework evaluation services, access to the Online Student Center, and your diploma.

Financial Assistance

BCI takes the confusion out of understanding military education benefits. With career programs approved by both the Department of Veterans Affairs, and The Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts Program (MyCAA), Blackstone offers assistance in receiving the benefits for which you are eligible.

Many employers offer benefit programs to reimburse employees for tuition expenses. Check with your employer to see if you are eligible.

Payment plans are available for financing your career training. Call Blackstone at 800-826-9228 to find out more today!

Online Student Center

Included with your tuition, you will have online access to your study guides and study units, exams, grades, discussion boards, and more.

The Blackstone Facebook Page

Become a member of one of the premier social networking sites to chat with other students and share career advice. This is a great tool to keep you up to date on the latest news from Blackstone. www.facebook.com/Blackstone Career Institute

The Blackstone Career Center

Provides job search strategies, a job search databank, and career resources.

LICENSURE, ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIPS

Blackstone Career Institute's credentials are your assurance that Blackstone meets quality educational and business standards set by reputable organizations that have assessed our programs and business operations. Blackstone is:

- Licensed by the State Board of Private Licensed Schools, Department of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Nationally accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission, Washington, D.C.
- Regionally accredited by the Middle States Commission on Secondary Schools, Philadelphia, PA.
- An accredited member of the Better Business Bureau with a rating of A+
- Member of the Greater Lehigh Valley, PA Chamber of Commerce



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