BISHOP STATE
PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

PTA Degree Plan Effective August 2026

Pre-Requisite Courses

The courses in this table may be required by the College, but they are not part of the PTA Degree Plan.

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours
ORI 105	Orientation and Student Success	3	3
BIO 103	Principles of Biology I*	4	5
Total		7	8

*May be a pre-requisite for BIO 201.
Please see your assigned academic advisor or the Health Sciences Success/Retention Coach.

Semester I

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours
BIO 201	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	5
Elective	Fine Arts or Humanities*	3-4	3-4
ENG 101	English Comp I	3	3
Bio 120	Medical Terminology	3	3
Total		**13-14**	**14-15**

*Students may select from a number of Fine Arts or Humanities courses.
(See Pre-requisite course checklist)

Semester II

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours
BIO 202	Anatomy and Physiology II	4	5
MTH 108	Quantitative Reasoning	3	3
CIS 146	Computer Applications	3	3
PSY 210	Human Growth and Dev	3	3
Total		**13**	**14**

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Technical Year Courses

(Requires application and admission to PTA Program)

Semester I: Fall I

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours	Lead Instructor
PTA 120	Intro to Kinesiology	3	5	Waltman
PTA 202	PTA Communication Skills	2	2	Waltman
PTA 220	Functional Anatomy and Kinesiology	3	3	Waltman
PTA 221	Kinesiology Lab	1	3	Waltman
PTA 240	Physical Disabilities I	2	2	Caver-Eaton
PTA 250	Therapeutic Procedures I	4	8	Caver-Eaton
PTA 290	Therapeutic Exercise Lab	1	3	Waltman Caver-Eaton
Totals	**6 courses**	**16**	**26**	

Semester II: Spring

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours	Lead Instructor
PTA 210	Intro to Physical Therapy Clinic	1	2	Caver-Eaton
PTA 230	Neuroscience	2	2	Caver-Eaton
PTA 231	Rehabilitation Techniques	2	6	Caver-Eaton
PTA 232	Orthopedics for the PTA	2	2	Waltman
PTA 251	Therapeutic Procedures II	4	8	Waltman
PTA 241	Physical Disabilities II	2	2	Caver-Eaton
Totals	**6 courses**	**13**	**23**	

Semester III: Summer

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours	Lead Instructor
PTA 200	Issues and Trends in Physical Therapy	2	2	Waltman
PTA 266	Clinical Fieldwork I	2	4	Williamson
PTA 263	Clinical Affiliation I	3	6	Williamson
Totals	**3 courses**	**7**	**12**	**W=2 Wmson= 10**

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Semester IV: Fall II

Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours	Contact Hours	Lead Instructor
PTA 201	PTA Seminar	2	2	Caver-Eaton Waltman Williamson
PTA 268	Clinical Practicum	5	10	Williamson
Totals	**2 courses**	**7**	**12**	Caver-Eaton 2 Waltman 2 Williamson 12

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