

## SCHOOL OF PHYSIOTHERAPY SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION FORM - 2012

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS to the MSc (Physiotherapy) Entry to Practice Program

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>
Banner No. if applicable <b>B</b>		Email:

### PART I: Residency Status

<b>Atlantic Canadian Residents:</b> Indicate your Permanent Home Address (See Application Guidelines )			
Street address (Self, parent or guardian)			
City/Town	Province	Postal Code	
Telephone Number		# years resident in Atlantic Canada:	
<b>Non-Atlantic Canadian Residents:</b>			
Street address			
City/Town	Province/State	Postal/Zip Code	
Country	Telephone Number	Canadian <input type="checkbox"/>	International <input type="checkbox"/>

### PART II: Prerequisite Courses

A: Checklist			
✓	Prerequisite Courses & Required Credit Hours	Equivalent Courses Title & Course No.	Institution
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Human Physiology</b> PHYL 2030.06 OR 9 credit hours of Human and Exercise Physiology		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Human Anatomy</b> ANAT 1010 (3 cr)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Physics</b> (6 cr), such as PHYC 1100X/Y.06 or PHYC 1300X/Y.06 or equivalent <b>OR Physics</b> (3 cr) plus <b>Introduction to Biomechanics</b> (3 cr)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Biology</b> (animal or cell) (3 cr)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Psychology</b> (6 cr)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Statistics</b> (3 cr)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Language &amp; Humanities and/or Social Sciences</b> (6 cr)		

<b>B: Grade Point Average: (4.3 Scale)</b>	Based on the last sixty undergraduate credit hours. Minimum requirement is 3.0 for residents of Atlantic Provinces, 3.4 for non residents (For GPA calculator go to <a href="http://academicadvising.studentservices.dal.ca/index.html">http://academicadvising.studentservices.dal.ca/index.html</a> )
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### **PART III: Volunteer Experience (unpaid volunteer work within the past two years)**

Position: _____ Organization: _____
Address: _____
Duties: _____
Dates: From _____ To _____ Total Hours: _____
Supervisor: _____ Email: _____ Tel: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Letter confirming the volunteer work/hours from the organization attached.</b>

  

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### **PART IV: Affirmative Action Policy**

The School of Physiotherapy is committed to increasing the admission of and number of graduates from underrepresented groups: Aboriginal peoples, African Canadians and Persons with (dis)Abilities. Applicants should refer to the **Self-Identification Questionnaire** on the **Dalhousie Graduate Application**.

Admission prerequisites are required for all applicants. However, applicants who apply under the Affirmative Action Policy are considered on the basis of their qualifications for graduate study in physiotherapy rather than in relation to other applicants.

### **PART V: Statement of Physical and Emotional Wellness**

Physiotherapy is a demanding profession from intellectual, emotional and physical perspectives. It is therefore important that the students entering the MSc (Physiotherapy) Program are able to function at an acceptable standard in each of these categories. The admissions process used to select students to enter the program ensures that the students who are selected have demonstrated an appropriate intellectual standard.	
It would be unwise for any person to enter the MSc (Physiotherapy) Program who is not emotionally and/or physically able to cope with the rigors of physiotherapy as a career. As a result, it is necessary that all applicants become sufficiently familiar with the profession of physiotherapy to ensure that they are able to cope with the emotional and physical requirements demanded in the study and practice of physiotherapy.	
<b>I have thoroughly familiarized myself with the field of physiotherapy and believe that, both emotionally and physically, I can successfully complete all aspects of the MSc (Physiotherapy) Program and pursue a successful career in physiotherapy.</b>	
Signed: _____	Date: _____
Witnessed: _____	Date: _____

## PART VI: Compliance with Clinical Requirements

### A: Physical Aspects

Physiotherapy is by definition a “physical profession”. As a physiotherapy student, you will be required to interact and have physical, hands-on contact with peers and clients to learn the techniques that you will need to master before you are eligible to practice as a physiotherapist. You are encouraged to visit physiotherapy departments in hospitals and clinics to better understand what physiotherapists do before you apply to the program. Please review the following stipulations that will apply to all students.

**Clothing and footwear must be appropriate for working safely with/around clients and clinical equipment. For individuals who have clothing restrictions please note:**

- Stethoscope use will be required; therefore, any head-dress must allow easy access to ears.
- Scrubbing to the elbows is required for infectious disease control; therefore, clothing with short or rolled-up sleeves must be worn.
- Students must participate fully in hydrotherapy training and treatment, which involves immersion in swimming pools; therefore, appropriate swimming attire that will allow movement while treating peers/clients in the water must be worn on these occasions.

### Gender Equity

- Students, clinical instructors, faculty members, and clients will not be segregated into male and female groups but will interact and have appropriate physical contact with each other in the educational (academic and clinical) settings.

### Appropriate Disrobing

- Physical/body examinations of and by fellow students/faculty/instructors are part of the required curriculum. Such examinations necessitate appropriate degrees of undress to ensure that students acquire diagnostic and therapeutic skills to an acceptable standard. Full participation in this component of the program is required.

### B: Clinical Placements

Clinical placements are arranged according to the academic program requirements by the Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education. These clinical placements are mandatory elements of the degree program. Students will be assigned to clinical sites across the Atlantic Provinces. There will be occasion when students can complete clinical placements in other provinces. Students will incur extra expenses (travel and accommodation costs) for these clinical placements. Students **must** be willing to accept the clinical placements assigned to them.

In addition, the School of Physiotherapy has developed agreements with several international clinical placement sites (e.g., Sweden, Finland, Ireland, Australia) where students can expand their understanding of physiotherapy practice. These placements are optional. Extra effort is required by students to make arrangements and the placement will also result in additional expenses for travel and accommodation. There may be some financial support available for these international clinical placements.

Also, it is important to note, that upon being granted admission and to be prepared for their first clinical visit, all students must (at their expense) provide evidence of the following:

1. Pre-placement immunization requirements: Diphtheria-tetanus, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis B, Varicella, Tuberculosis skin test.
2. Valid CPR (level C) certificate.
3. Securities Check (Criminal Record Check & Child Abuse Registry).

### Statement of Compliance

Your signature below indicates that you understand what will be involved in your program of study regarding Clinical Requirements (A & B above). Should you be accepted and register in the Physiotherapy program, but do not comply with the above requirements, you may be required to withdraw from the program.

**If admitted to the program, I am prepared to comply with the clinical requirements outlined in this form which are a required component of my course of study at the School of Physiotherapy, Dalhousie University.**

Signed:

Date:

Witnessed:

Date:

## **PART VII: Criminal Records Check**

The Faculty of Health Professions, Dalhousie University, does not require a Criminal Records Check or other screening procedure (e.g. Vulnerable Sector Screen) as a condition of admission into its programs. However, students should be aware that such record checks or other screening procedures may be required by facilities outside the University used for clinical placements, which will be a requirement for graduation. It is the student's responsibility to have such procedures completed.

Such facilities may refuse to accept students on the basis of information contained in the record check or other screening procedure. If the student is unable to complete a clinical requirement due to a failure to meet the record check or screening requirements of the facility, or if the student is refused access to the facility on the basis of the information provided, such a student may fail the course, and as a result, in some instances, may not be eligible for progression or graduation.

Students should check with their School/College for details concerning any record checks or screening requirements relevant to clinical, fieldwork, or placements in their particular program. Note that facility requirements may change from time to time and are beyond the control of the University.

Students should also be aware that some professional regulatory bodies may require a satisfactory record check as a condition of professional licensure.

*Approved by Faculty Council, June 22, 2006*

## **Mail Supplementary Application To:**

Admissions  
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Halifax NS B3H 4R2  
Canada

**Please note: Faxes are not accepted**