# PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT TECHNICAL PORTION MERIT INTERVIEW APPLICATION 2021

The purpose of Physical Therapist Assistant Program Merit Interview is to allow students who are qualified to apply for special consideration for priority placement on the interview list for the technical portion of the program. Points are awarded on pre-set, published criteria. Students are ranked based on their total number of points (must be a minimum of 8). The top students by points may then be placed higher on the interview list based on the number of available slots. Completed documentation must be received no later than 4:00 pm of the due date. *Checklists postmarked on or before February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 will not be processed if they arrive after February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4:00 pm.* 

Name: (please print)

MTC ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Instructions for completing the Physical Therapist Assistant Merit Interview Application:

Applicants must do of the following in order to be considered for PTA Merit Interview:

Successfully complete the general education coursework (as evaluated by MTC Records office) within the published School of Health Care guidelines and successfully complete and submit proof of 20 hours of PT observation within the past 2 years, utilizing MTC PTA program documentation. Submit a packet containing the following documents to Dr. Damian Rankin, DPT (PTA Program Director) (room HS 203 A/B) on or before **February 28<sup>th</sup>**, **2021**:

- PTA Program Technical Portion Application form with the appropriate check in the left corner box.
- Merit Interview Application (minimum of 8 points required to qualify for Merit).
- Most recent Transfer Transcript Summary from your MyMTC account.
- Most recent Unofficial MTC transcript from your MyMTC account.
- Original and signed MTC PTA Program supplied observation forms with impression paper (include a copy if you have previously applied or submitted).
- If you are requesting points based on prior health care work experience, please have your immediate supervisor provide a letter of reference listing your supervisor's contact information, your job title, your hire date, and the number of hours you work per week (must be 37.5 hours or more without exception). Your reference will be verified.

MTC Transcripts and MTC Transfer Transcript Summary (if applicable) must be attached or the application will be considered incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be processed. Incomplete Merit Interview Applications will not be processed.

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Date		
Name: (please print)		MTC ID#:
Address:	City, State & Zip	
Phone Number	MyMTC Email:	@student.midlandstech.edu

### (If your mailing address changes, it is your responsibility to notify the PTA Program.)

Please note - for Merit Interview, the Physical Therapist Assistant Program is counting the **FIRST ATTEMPT** at the courses in the criteria - not a repeated grade. For example, if you received an F or WF the first time you took a class, the F or WF would count even if the second attempt was a passing grade.

If you earned a grade of D, F, or WF in any PTA course you are not eligible for Merit Admissions. In regards to this rule, please indicate if you have ever received Academic Fresh Start from MTC below:

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Utilizing only the items as listed, enter your points in the box on the right. This will be checked by the PTA Program using your MTC Transcript and MTC Transfer Transcript Summary. Failure to include a copy of your unofficial MTC transcript and your Transfer Transcript Summary (if applicable) showing all prior colleges attended will result in your application being marked as incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

CRITERIA	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS SCORED
BIO 210 (Or transferable equivalent)	A = 3	
(Within published Health Science guidelines)	B = 2	
BIO 211 (Or transferable equivalent)	A = 3	
(Within published Health Science guidelines)	B = 2	
MAT 120 (Or transferable equivalent)	A = 3	
(Within published Health Science guidelines)	B = 2	

	TEAS V	SAT	ACT	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS SCORED
	No points	990-1109	19-21	1	
TEAS V, SAT, or ACT	60-69	1110-1119	22-24	2	
(Within 3 years of qualifying for gen-ed courses)	70-79	1120-1319	25-27	3	
(Points awarded for one exam only)	80-89	1320-1429	28-30	4	
	90-94	1430-1539	31-33	5	
	95-100	1540-1600	34-36	6	

CRITERIA	EDUCATIONAL LEVEL	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS SCORED
Prior Health Care Full-time Work Experience (Within 3 years of applying) (Full-time = 37.5 hours per week or more)	Employed as PT Tech full-time 6 months	2	
	Employed as PT Tech full-time for 1 year or more	3	
Prior Degree, Certificate or Diploma	Associate Degree	1	
(Points awarded for highest degree/certificate only)	Bachelor's Degree	2	
	Master's degree	3	
	Doctoral Degree	4	
PTA Program general education specific coursework (only) GPA level	2.75 < 3.0	1	
	3.0 < 3.5	2	
	≥ 3.5	3	

Total Score: (must be minimum of 8) \_\_\_\_\_

### For PTA Program Use Only:

- \_\_\_\_ Completed all general education coursework by completion of most recent fall term
- \_\_\_\_ All official transcripts and test scores submitted
- \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted to Dr. Damian Rankin, DPT following directions and on time