Mercyhurst University
Physical Therapist Assistant Program
Financial Fact Sheet 2026

CAPTE
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education

The data applies to students experiencing the program between Jan. 1, 2026–Dec. 31, 2026.

Length of Program, which includes all student instruction/interaction (including classroom, laboratory, exams, and clinical education). Include the total number of weeks where either full or partial attendance is required.
Length of Program in Weeks excluding breaks: _72_____
Length of Program in Weeks including breaks: _89_____

Clinical Education

Does this program have a requirement for all students to complete at least one clinical education experience for which the students would be required to seek alternative housing or travel accommodations to attend? ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**

Note: Indicate additional costs for which students are responsible during clinical education.

Student Costs

Note: Year 1 costs are experienced by students who enrolled in the program for the first time between Jan. 1, 2026, and Dec. 31, 2026. Annual costs for subsequent years are estimates based on the program's historical annual percentage increase of **3%**. Students should contact the program for further information related to costs.

	Year 1	Year 2	Total
Annual Tuition Public Institution, In-District or In-State Student	0	0	0
Annual Tuition Public Institution, Out-of-District or Out-of-State Student	0	0	0
Annual Tuition Private Institution Student	21,726	15,872	37,598
Annual Institutional Fees for a Full-Time Student in the Technical Phase of the Program [Includes general institutional fees, e.g., health insurance, recreation, etc.]	275	390	665
Total Expected Cost of Other Program-Related Expenses [Includes: required texts, laboratory fees, and other program costs for the entire technical program.]	1,500	2,100	3,600

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	Year 1	Year 2	Total
Total Cost of the Program [Includes: tuition, fees, other program costs for the entire technical program. This includes all credits required to earn the PTA degree.]	23,501	18,362	41,863

Note: Students are encouraged to explore the cost of living for areas where they may choose to live. One possible website is the Living Wage Institute.

Does the institution offer financial assistance specific to PTA students? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the program/institution offer scholarships specific to PTA students? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Does the program offer work-study positions specific to PTA students? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Note: Other opportunities may exist at the institution for financial support. Please contact the program for further information.

APTA student members are encouraged to visit the APTA Financial Solutions Center.

Student Debt Summary

(Programs with less than 10 graduates from Jan. 1–Dec. 31, 2026, are not required to complete this section.)

(Include subsidized and unsubsidized loans for total debt to reflect the National Student Loan Data System total debt.)

Average student debt from the PTA program technical phase for students who graduated or will graduate between Jan. 1–Dec. 31, 2026. _____

Average total student debt after completing the PTA program for students who graduated or will graduate between Jan. 1–Dec. 31, 2026. Include all student loan debt. _____