



Laredo College

Physical Therapist Assistant Program

Mission

The mission of the Laredo College Physical Therapist Assistant Program is to provide a quality education that transforms students into caring, knowledgeable, and skilled physical therapist assistants committed to safe and ethical practice and lifelong learning to meet the healthcare needs of the community and the region.

Vision

The PTA Program at Laredo College seeks to foster learning through quality instruction to prepare graduates to serve the community's healthcare needs.

Goals

1. Graduates will demonstrate competent and safe entry-level practice.
2. Graduates will exhibit professional behaviors and adhere to ethical practice consistent with the profession and licensure regulations.
3. Graduates will participate in professional growth and lifelong learning activities.
4. The program will produce graduates who will obtain licensure and effectively transition to a physical therapist assistant career.
5. PTA Program faculty will maintain contemporary expertise.

Outcomes

Graduate Outcomes

1. The PTA graduate will be rated good to excellent in providing competent and safe patient care under the supervision of a physical therapist by 100% of employers surveyed (Goal 1).
2. PTA graduates will rate themselves good to excellent in providing competent and safe patient care under the supervision of a physical therapist by 100% of graduates surveyed (Goal 1).
3. The PTA graduate's professional behaviors will be rated good to excellent by 100% of employers surveyed (Goal 2).
4. The PTA graduate's adherence to ethical standards of practice will be rated good to excellent by 100% of employers surveyed (Goal 2).
5. The PTA graduate's participation in professional development activities will be rated as good to excellent by 100% of graduates surveyed (Goal 3).



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Program Outcomes

1. PTA program graduates will have a 95% first-time pass rate on the licensure exam as evidenced by the NPATAE examination results. (Goal 4)
2. One hundred percent of program graduates seeking employment will be employed as PTA's within 12 months of passing the licensure exam. (Goal 4)

Faculty Outcomes

3. One hundred percent of full-time faculty will complete one faculty development activity related to their teaching content area. (Goal 5)