



Physical Therapist Assistant Intent Form

Date: _____

Seeking acceptance to The Physical Therapist Assistant Program for Fall Quarter

Name: _____ SS# _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone# _____ Email: _____

The following items must be completed prior to the Intent form deadline of **May 1st** of the year for which the student would like to be considered as a candidate for the Physical Therapist Assistant Program.

- 1) Submit completed and signed application for admission and a \$20 nonrefundable application fee;
- 2) Submit official transcripts showing that they earned a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in high school and on all college work attempted (applicants transferring from other colleges will not be required to submit high school transcripts if they completed a minimum of 30 semester or 45 quarter credit hours of study at one or more colleges);
- 3) Submit completed and signed Intent form
- 4) Gain an awareness of the job requirements of a physical therapist assistant by completion of a minimum of 24 hours of DOCUMENTED observation in a physical therapy setting or through employment as a physical therapy aide. A second documented observation experience of a minimum of 24 hours is recommended in a different area of physical therapy practice.
- 5) Scores from a standardized health program placement examination which will be used as part of the competitive selection process; and
- 6) Submit a signed document acknowledging that commission of a felony before or during their enrollment in this program may prevent graduates from taking the licensure exam to become physical therapist assistants and that they may be required to complete drug testing and/or background checks at their own expense prior to participating in internships, practicums, or clinical activities at certain host sites for these activities (*see Drug Testing/Background Checks*) (blank documents are available from the program chair or the Admissions Office and online at www.athenstech.edu—Select *Prospective Students* and then *Competitive Health Pgms*).

**The selection process will be weighted towards students who have completed college algebra (MAT 1111), anatomy and physiology I and II (BIO 2113 and 2114), college English (ENG 1101), and introductory psychology (PSY 1101) or equivalent courses with grades of C or better by May 1 of the academic year for which they are seeking admission to the program. Transcripts will be accepted from students taking coursework in the spring semester at colleges on the semester system as long as the other requirements are submitted before the May 1 deadline. Coursework from colleges on the quarter system must be completed by the end of Winter Quarter to be considered in the selection process. Applicants transferring to Athens Technical College from other colleges must confirm the transferability of credit for coursework with the ATC director of registration and records by the May 1 application deadline.

The Admissions Selection Committee will invite a group of the highest-ranking applicants (based on the admissions criteria) to participate in a formal interview process to determine aptitude, intent, and suitability for employment as a physical therapist assistant.

**RETURN THIS FORM TO THE ATC ADMISSIONS OFFICE NO LATER THAN
MAY 1st**