American Physical Therapy Association, Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (APTA-CAPTE)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION

2020-2021

Accreditor types: Programmatic

Recognition Status: Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education

Range of Accreditation Activity: CAPTE accredits physical therapist professional education programs offered at the clinical doctoral degree levels by higher education institutions in the United States and internationally. CAPTE also accredits paraprofessional physical therapist assistant technical education programs offered at the associate degree level by higher education institutions in the United States only. (2019)

International Accreditation Activity:
1 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.
0 U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.
No Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

Sponsoring Organization: CAPTE is a recognized body of the American Physical Therapy Association. Its functional relationship is defined in APTA Board Policy

Composition of Decision-Making Body:
32 commissioners

2,729,920 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only
0 Direct support from any sponsoring organization
0 In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 9 Full-time 0 Part-time
Volunteers: 337 – served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

2020-2021

640 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Programs

640 Degree-Granting:
392 Public
187 Private Nonprofit
61 Private For-Profit

0 Non-Degree-Granting:
0 Public
0 Private Nonprofit
0 Private For-Profit

49,202 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: 10 years

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: 5 years

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021

13 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted
2 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied
8 Initial Accreditation Granted
0 Initial Accreditation Denied
26 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review
166 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

15 Notice or Warning
13 Probation
1 Show Cause
3 Accreditation Terminated or Removed
0 Actions under Appeal
4 Other

Summary of Additional Actions

15 Substantive Changes Reviewed
66 Site Visits

5 Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation