Major in Anything and be Pre-Physical Therapy at NEBRASKA!
Pre-Physical Therapy (PT) is one of sixteen advising categories in Pre-Health indicating your interest in pursuing coursework to prepare for and apply to PT school. The great part is you can major in anything and pursue these paths. You are not locked in to a set program—you can choose from any of Nebraska’s 150 majors—choose one of the sciences, engineering, business, humanities, or even the arts.

Why NEBRASKA for Pre-Physical Therapy?
The University of Nebraska–Lincoln has graduated more health professionals than any other school in the state. Learn from faculty who are experts in their field through hands-on experiences in research and instructional labs. As an example, in partnership with the University of Nebraska Medical Center, our anatomy lab utilizes a variety of technologies and human cadavers to provide you with an interactive learning experience. You can even apply to be an intern or teaching assistant as an undergraduate student.

Explore the human side of health care with our unique Humanities in Medicine Program in our College of Arts and Sciences. The program is designed to support students’ learning about the social and cultural contexts of health, illness and medical care. Enroll in relevant and engaging courses in the humanities and social sciences that will complement and balance your preparation in the life sciences.

Your success is the number one priority for the professional advisors in our Explore Center, connecting you with resources and staff to help you reach your goals. From course selection and planning to application timeline and entrance exam preparation to experiential opportunities and networking with professional school representatives, the Explore Center will help you excel.

Make Your Physical Therapy School Application Stand Out.
Getting accepted to professional school means finding a way to distinguish yourself from others. Develop academically and personally, becoming the type of applicant professional schools want by:

- Connecting with other students interested in the healthcare fields in our first-year learning communities
- Developing leadership skills by joining one of the health-related student organizations
- Getting a first-hand look at your areas of interest through a shadow or volunteer experience
- Engaging in undergraduate research to apply what you are learning in the classroom
- Exploring the world through our diverse education abroad opportunities

All these growth and leadership opportunities are waiting for you at NEBRASKA!
PRE-PHYSICAL THERAPY

Required Course Work* | MIN. #
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Biological Sciences with Lab | 2
Human Anatomy with Lab | 1
Human Physiology with Lab | 1
General Chemistry with Lab | 2
Physics with Lab | 2
English Composition | 2
Statistics | 1
Social Sciences | 2

Recommended Course Work | MIN. #
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Physiology of Exercise | 1
Abnormal Psychology | 1
Developmental Psychology | 1
Organic Chemistry | 1

*SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF COURSES:

**Required & Recommended Science Courses Only**

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Professional School Requirements:

- **Undergraduate Credit:** Bachelor’s degree required (UNMC); minimum 90 credit hours (Creighton)
- **Entrance Exam:** Graduate Records Examination (GRE) taken 12-16 months prior to the start of professional school
- **Professional Schooling:** 3 years of professional school for a Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T)
- **Local Professional Schools:** University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) - Omaha; Creighton - Omaha

*These requirements are based on those for University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) and Creighton University. You are encouraged to work with an advisor to determine requirements at other institutions.

Note: UNMC’s Physical Therapy program does not accept AP/IB Credit; Creighton will accept some AP/IB courses.