



STARK STATE COLLEGE

GENERAL SYLLABUS

Course Information

Course Name: Seminar I
Course Number: PTA228

Required Materials

Textbook(s): Bircher, W. D. (2023). *Documentation for the physical therapist assistant: Regulations and responsibilities* (5th ed.). F.A. Davis.
 Cameron, M. H. (2023). *Physical agents in rehabilitation: An evidence-based approach to practice* (6th ed.). Elsevier.
 Clynch, H. M. (2021). *The role of the physical therapist assistant: Regulations and responsibilities* (3rd ed.). F.A. Davis.

Required Readings: See below

Additional Materials: APTA Membership (can be purchased in the Stark State Bookstore) and CPI 3.0 access (provided by the Program)

Course Outline/Calendar

The date of coverage and order of coverage may be modified based on the faculty member and events beyond the control of faculty members that interfere with class times and teaching.

Week	Chapter/Topic/Lab
Week 1	Review of course, syllabus and Personality Styles and Communication Styles Student Prep: Assigned reading in Blackboard "How Understanding Personality and Communication Styles Can Improve Patient Care"
Week 2	Clinical Education, CPI 3.0 Review and Clinical Safety Review Student Prep: Review Clinical Education Handbook
Week 3	Patient Values and Empathy Student Prep: Assigned reading in Blackboard "Patient Values in Physiotherapy Practice" "Informed Consent, What PTs Need to Know"

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Week 4	Documentation and Interviewing Patients Student Prep: Reading in Blackboard “Tips for Defensible Documentation” Documentation for the PTA- Bircher Chap 10 What Are Subjective Data and Why Are They Important? Chap 11 What Are Objective Data and Why Are They Important?, Chap 12 What Are Assessment Data and Why Are They Important?, Chap 13 What Is the Plan and Why Is It Important?
Week 5	Problem Solving and Critical Thinking Student Prep: Bring Bircher book to class
Week 6	Ethics and Values Student Prep: Review Core Values and Standards of Ethical Conduct for the PTA “RIPS Decision Making” “Column: You Can’t be in Two Places at Once”
Week 7	Evidenced Based Practice, and Treatment Planning- CPGs! Student Prep: Watch pre-recording in Blackboard: “Finding Research Articles”
Week 8	Ohio Practice Act and the PT-PTA Team Student Prep: Assigned Reading on Blackboard: “Article: PT Supervision of PTAs”
Week 9	Aquatics Basics Student Prep: Physical Agents in Rehabilitation- Cameron - Read Hydrotherapy Chapter
Week 10	Home Health Basics and Environmental Assessments Student Prep: Assigned reading on Blackboard: “Home Safety Checklist”
Week 11	Final Clinical Prep Day
Week 12	ONLINE: Case study and ICF model Student Prep: Documentation for the PTA Chap 2 The World Health Organization and the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health Chap 4 Reimbursement Issues Related to Documentation
Week 13	ONLINE: Insurance and Billing Student Prep: Assigned readings and videos in Blackboard: “Preventing Fraud and Abuse Primer” “Medicare’s 8-Minute Rule” “Everything you need to know about the 8-Minute Rule” “Getting Started: Parts of Medicare”
Week 14	ONLINE: Organizational Planning and Quality Assurance Student Prep: None
Week 15	ONLINE: Career Planning, Leadership, and Advocacy Student Prep: None
Week 16	Finals Week