



NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2025-2026

Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Science, Physical Therapy ***BSc (Rehab Sci) PT***

The BSc (Rehab Sci) PT program is one of two entry points* into the professional Master of Science, Applied, Physical Therapy (MSc(A)PT) program at McGill. The MSc(A)PT program is accredited by Physiotherapy Education Accreditation Canada, meeting Canadian entry-to-practice licensing standards for new PT graduates.

The BSc (Rehab Sci) PT program consists of 90 credits, completed over six semesters (Fall and Winter terms only). The first two years include core science and other foundational courses, followed by intensive professional courses in the final year. Students who complete the BSc (Rehab Sci) PT program with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better, and who have maintained professionalism standards throughout the program, will be granted entry to the MSc(A)PT program.

From start to finish, students entering the MSc(A)PT program through the BSc (Rehab Sci) PT will follow this sequence:

1. BSc (Rehab Sci) degree completed over 3 years (6 semesters) – Fall and Winter terms only.
2. MSc(A) degree completed over 5 consecutive semesters, beginning in the Summer term immediately following completion of the BSc and finishing in the Fall term of the second year.

* During the final year of the BSc (Rehab Sci) program, our BSc students are joined by students with a previous undergraduate degree entering a Qualifying Year (QY) for the MSc(A)PT program.

COURSE SELECTION / TYPES OF COURSES

Core Courses - mandatory courses; follow a structured [curriculum](#).

Complementary Courses – courses taken outside the School of Physical and Occupational therapy; directly complement the content of the core curriculum and/or provide added knowledge that may benefit students interested in specific career paths in PT (e.g., private practice, healthcare technology, research, etc.).

Elective Course - one three-credit course that may be taken in an area of general interest, unrelated to the core curriculum.

COURSE CURRICULUM (U1)
Bachelor of Science (Rehabilitation Science) Physical Therapy

TAKE NOTE OF THE REQUIRED SECTIONS FOR EACH COURSE			
U1 FALL	Credits	U1 WINTER	Credits
ANAT 315: Clinical Human Musculoskeletal Anatomy <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001 <i>Lab:</i> Section 002	3	ANAT 316: Clinical Human Visceral Anatomy <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001 <i>Lab:</i> Section 002	3
PHGY 209: Mammalian Physiology 1 <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001	3	PHGY 210: Mammalian Physiology 2 <i>Lecture:</i> Section 002	3
PHTH 245: Introduction to Professional Practice 1 <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001	3	POTH 225: Introduction to Biomechanics in Rehabilitation Sciences <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001 <i>Lab:</i> Section 002 <u>or</u> 003 (choose one)	3
POTH 204*: Introduction to Psychological Statistics <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001 <i>Tutorial:</i> Section 002 <p>* POTH 204 is not open to students who have passed a CEGEP statistics course(s) with a minimum grade of 75%. If you meet this exemption requirement, complete the Transfer Credits Form (found on the SPOT Student Resources webpage) and send the completed and signed form to undergrad.spot@mcgill.ca.</p> <p>Students exempted from POTH 204 <u>must</u> replace this course with a different 3-credit complementary class.</p>	3	POTH 250: Introduction to Professional Practice 2 <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001 <i>Lab:</i> Section 003 <i>Workshop:</i> Section 002 All the above sections are required.	3
1 Complementary course	3	POTH 305: Statistics for Experimental Design OT/PT <i>Lecture:</i> Section 001	3
Total	15	Total	15

During the first two years of the program, students must take either:

- **Three (3) complementary courses (9 credits)* OR**
- **Two (2) complementary courses (6 credits)* and one (1) elective course (3 credits).**

**Students exempted from POTH 204 must replace this course with a 3-credit complementary class, in addition to the requirements listed above (i.e., 12 complementary credits, or 9 complementary and 3 elective credits).*

All complementary and elective courses must be completed in U1 and U2 (i.e., before starting U3).

Do not register for a complementary or elective course that has scheduling conflicts with other courses (see course conflicts below).

Most complementary and elective courses have limited enrolment. Register early for best availability. **When selecting complementary (or elective) courses, please make note of any prerequisites, corequisites, program restrictions, and/or space limits.** These restrictions can be found by entering the CRN for the course on the registration function in Minerva. For example, a course may be designated as “reserve closed”, indicating that all spots reserved for students outside that department’s programs are full (even if Minerva indicates that the course is not full). In this case, you may consider checking back regularly as spots may be opened closer to the start of the semester. For more information, refer to “Having Trouble Registering?” on the university’s registration page www.mcgill.ca/students/courses/add/problems.

COMPLEMENTARY COURSES

Complementary courses must be taken at the **200, 300, or 400 level**, with the following exceptions:

- PSYC 100: Introduction to Psychology (counts as a complementary course).
- CHEM 183: World of Chemistry: Drugs (counts as a complementary course, as of Fall 2024).

Most courses in the following domains would be considered complementary. Not all courses in these domains will be open to PT students, however.

- Anthropology
- Biology
- Business / Management (incl. accounting)
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Education*
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Biochemistry

*N.B. The Faculty of Education course, *EDKP 292: Nutrition and Wellness*, and the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences course, *NUTR 207: Nutrition and Health*, are no longer accepted as complementary courses for the PT program because of the substantial content overlap with the new required PT U2 course, *PHTH 482 - Introduction to Health, Fitness and Lifestyle* (which contains sections on Diet, Metabolic Fitness, and Mental Wellbeing).

PHTH 301D1/D2: Sports Medicine Practicum

This course can replace one 3 credit complementary course. This course takes place during Fall and Winter of U2 but starts in the summer after U1 with a pre-season course. More details about the application process for this course will be provided in the Winter term of U1.

ELECTIVE COURSES

One 3-credit course can be taken in any domain of interest for the student. These elective courses **must be at the 200 or 300 level**, unless you have previous university credits that count as prerequisites for a 400-level course.

Examples of possible electives include courses in Music, Languages (not including Second Language French and English), and Earth and Planetary Sciences.

In U1, no 400 or higher-level courses are permitted, except for English or French language courses.

MYMCGILL

MyMcGill is a web portal that gives you single sign-on access to McGill systems including Minerva, MyCourses, McGill's Library system, your McGill e-mail, and others. For complete information: <https://www.mcgill.ca/mymcgill/>.

MINERVA

[Minerva](#) is McGill's user-friendly web interface where students can see course descriptions and available course sections, register for courses, and view class schedules, fee information, and previous course marks.

[MINERVA REGISTRATION FOR FALL AND WINTER COURSES](#)

You must log on to Minerva and register for both Fall and Winter courses between the following dates:

June 11th to August 14th, 2025 (inclusive) to avoid [late registration fees](#).

A list of these and other key dates can be found at <https://www.mcgill.ca/importantdates/key-dates/>.

Please **verify your Personal Registration Start Time** ahead of June 11th:

- View your personal registration start time in Minerva:
Student Menu > Registration Menu > Check your Registration Eligibility and Verify Your Curriculum.
- Students may begin registering as of their personal start time and can continue registering through to the end of course change (i.e., add/drop deadline) in each term.

You will need to **attend to any holds before you are able to register on Minerva.**

- *You will NOT be able to register if you have any outstanding fee balance with the University (if you have any holds that prevent you from registering).*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PLANNING COURSE REGISTRATION

- All students must complete their registration in the core as well as complementary courses Fall 2025 and for Winter 2026 by adding all courses individually on Minerva.
- All complementary/elective courses are limited in enrolment and are registered as first come, first served basis.
- To aid in scheduling, you can use Minerva and Visual Schedule Builder* (VSB) which allows you to create a conflict-free schedule, especially as you look at fitting in complementary course choice(s).
- All class times, whether you are registered in them or not, can be viewed on Minerva class schedule.
- The order in which you register for courses does not matter (i.e., core or complementary courses).
- Always keep your address and telephone number updated on Minerva.
- For detailed information, please visit: <https://www.mcgill.ca/students/courses/add>

N.B. You are not allowed to drop any required program courses. If a situation arises in which you need to do so, please contact undergrad.spot@mcgill.ca for assistance.

HOW TO USE THE CLASS SCHEDULE and REGISTERING FOR COURSES USING MINERVA

Access “Registering for Courses” information at:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/students/courses/add>

Access “Planning for Registration” information at:

<https://www.mcgill.ca/students/courses/plan>

Access the “Using Minerva to Register” tutorial, for step-by-step registration instructions, at:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/students/courses/add/register>

YOUR STUDENT RECORD

While all courses offered at McGill have academic merit, not all are appropriate for credit towards the BSc (Rehab Sci) PT degree. Students should consult the information on the [School's website](#) for the regulations governing which courses are open to them.

Minerva will not necessarily prevent students from registering for courses they cannot/should not be taking, or courses that have a scheduling conflict with another course*. After add/drop period, these courses may be identified on students' records and flagged for no program credit. In some cases, this may happen when records are verified just before graduation, which could delay graduation until appropriate courses are taken.

*COURSE CONFLICTS

You should not consider taking two courses, which are scheduled at the same time. We do not support this type of learning, in which you attend the lectures of one course and intentionally miss the other course lectures but learn by listening to the lecture recordings.

Learning does not occur simply by listening to the lecture recordings, but also by interacting with your peers in the classroom/remote learning environment. In addition, lecture recordings are used to help reinforce your learning (e.g., to hear the material a second time).

Ultimately, it is your decision to pursue two courses scheduled at the same time and Minerva may not prevent you from registering. However, note that if the exams or other course activities for these courses are scheduled at the same time, we will not accommodate your conflict request.

Please keep in mind that students are responsible for the correctness and completeness of their records, and it is your responsibility to make sure that your student record is accurate, and all requirements and complementary/elective courses are correctly recorded.

While faculty advisers and staff are always available to give advice and guidance, it is the student's ultimate responsibility for completeness and correctness of course selection, for compliance with and completion of program and degree requirements and for observance of regulations and deadlines. It is the student's responsibility to seek guidance if in any doubt; misunderstanding or misapprehension will not be accepted as cause for dispensation from any regulation, deadline, program, or degree requirement.

DO

- Register early to get best availability.
- Follow any course restrictions which can include:
 - Co-requisites or pre-requisites
 - Space limits Program restrictions
- Note which sections for the required courses are available.
- Use Visual Schedule Builder
- If a course is full, check back later and frequently (spots may open as other students make course changes).

DON'T

- Don't register for any courses, or sections of courses, that whose schedules are in conflict.
- Don't fill your schedule with complementary credits and leave no room for the required courses. You have a maximum number of credits for which you are allowed to register.
- Don't drop a complementary/elective class unless you are sure you want to do so, and/or have already registered for another course. Once the course is dropped, the open spot may be taken by another student.

We are available for virtual advising, and any questions you may have.

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