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Potential Interview Questions for Admission into a Physical Therapy Program

- What can you contribute to the field of PT?
- What communication skills are important to a Physical Therapist?
- What ethical standards will you promote in your work as a Physical Therapist?
- The PT program is known to be a very academically intense program. How will you handle the stress?
- What skills and strengths do you possess that are essential to being a good Physical Therapist?
- What are your weaknesses?
- What life experiences have you had that have made you a better person?
- What accomplishments are you most proud of?
- What observation in a PT setting has had the most influence on your decision to become a Physical Therapist?
- Describe some of your most challenging and enjoyable observations?
- With what population do you anticipate wanting to work?
- There are many health- and helping-related careers you could pursue. Why are you particularly interested in PT?
- What questions do you have of us regarding the PT program or the PT profession?
- What will you do if you do not get into the PT program?

Note: It is impossible to know exactly what questions will be asked in an interview, so it is unrealistic to think you can prepare for all possible questions. The questions above suggest that you should:

- Know yourself - your interests, motivations, strengths & weaknesses. Be able to articulate your reasons for wanting to pursue a career in PT
- Be reasonably familiar with the program and issues related to the profession – patient populations, work settings, ethical considerations.
- Come to the interview with some specific examples in mind of challenging academic, employment or interpersonal situations, and how you dealt with them.
- Have questions that demonstrate a sincere interest in and knowledge of the program and profession.
- Be articulate - capable of communicating your thoughts clearly and concisely
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