

SUMMER **D** ISCOVERY



Summer Discovery Program June 9–13, 2025

Our Summer Discovery Program is designed to introduce undergraduate students—especially those from underrepresented communities—to physical therapy. The program offers these students, who are passionate about the profession, valuable exposure to various career paths in physical therapy.

 **Duke** University School of Medicine

Doctor of Physical Therapy



About the Program

The Duke Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Summer Discovery Program is a five-day, on-campus immersion program that offers students a comprehensive introduction to various aspects of the physical therapy profession.

The program equips participants with the knowledge and insights needed to enhance their competitiveness when applying to DPT programs.

Participants will be able to engage with leading faculty in the field and receive mentorship from current Duke DPT students, faculty, local clinicians, and admissions specialists.



Successful Applicants Will

- Be currently enrolled as a first-year, sophomore, junior, or senior in an accredited undergraduate institution.*
- Have an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Have an interest in the physical therapy profession or related health professions.

The program is open to all applicants, with a special encouragement for underrepresented, economically disadvantaged, and first-generation college students, as well as those with a demonstrated interest in working with underserved communities, to apply.

*Students who have completed their undergraduate degree and/or are currently enrolled in graduate programs may apply; however, priority will be given to currently enrolled undergraduate students.

Application Deadline • March 31, 2025, 5 p.m.

"This was a life-changing experience. I came into this program unsure of my career goals and left knowing exactly what I needed to pursue.

Duke treated participants like future doctors and provided the best mentors, graduate assistants, physical therapists, and professors. Although this was my first time at Duke, I have a gut feeling that it won't be my last."

– Gabrielle Beale, Summer Discovery Program Alum, 2024



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