University of Texas at El Paso College of Health Sciences  
Physical Therapy Program

PT 6116  
Physical Therapy Capstone Project  
Fall 2015

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**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Schedule:**  
Independent Study  
Poster Presentations Dec 10, 4-7 pm

**Capstone Instructors:**  
Mark Caulkins, MD, DPT  
Loretta Dillon, PT, DPT  
Michelle Gutierrez, PT, DSc  
Celia Pechak, PT, PhD, MPH  
Eric Robertson, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT

**Course Description:**  
During the final semester of the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program, students will complete an evidence-based research manuscript and poster presentation relevant to physical therapy practice. Most students will complete an evidence based report related to a patient case. Selected students, at the invitation of a core faculty member, will participate in the faculty member’s original research line. All students must produce a manuscript suitable for publication in a peer-reviewed journal and a poster appropriate for presentation at a state or national conference.

**Course Objectives:**

1. Use clinical judgment and reflection to identify, monitor and enhance clinical reasoning in order to minimize errors and enhance patient outcomes. (CC-5.19, 5.20, 5.45, 5.48)
2. Apply current knowledge, theory, and professional judgment in the case presented. (CC-5.21, 5.22, 5.23)
3. Access, critically evaluate and present the literature that pertains to diagnosis, prognosis, intervention and/or outcome for the case or systematic review presented. (CC-5.21, 5.22, 5.23, 5.25)
4. Establish an effective and safe plan of care based on the best evidence for case report OR determine best evidence to answer question posed in the systematic review. (CC-5.35)
5. Present a comprehensive case study or systematic review in poster format completing all required components. (CC-5.24)

**Required Texts:**
APTA Membership

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**Recommended Texts:**


**Methods of Instruction:**
Individual instruction will be held with respective capstone advisor to complete the manuscript and poster presentation requirements.

**Methods of Evaluation:**
**UTEP PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM GRADING SCALE**

The following letter grade scale is used for the UTEP Physical Therapy Program: Letter Grade Scale

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- Reflection paper: 10%
- Final Manuscript: 30%
- Poster Presentation: 30%
- Poster: 30%

**Course Content:** Variety of composite patient cases presented in case report or systematic review format based on students’ clinical experiences.

**Special Accommodations (ADA):**
“If you have or suspect a disability and need accommodations, you should contact the Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148.” You can also e-mail the office at cass@utep.edu or go by their office in Union Building East. For additional information, visit the CASS website at http://sa.utep.edu/cass/”
Deadlines for Capstone Project:
- **Final draft of the manuscript** is due by **Oct 16** to the faculty advisor.
- The completed manuscript (no errors or edits needed) is due **Nov. 13**.
- The poster will be developed from this case report or systematic review. The **final draft of the poster (in electronic file)** is due **Nov 30** to the Capstone Advisor.
- The **final electronic file (without errors)** is due **Dec 4**.
- A printed draft of the poster (2’x3’ from ILC) is due to advisor on **Dec. 7**.
- The final **printed poster** is due to the advisor **Dec 9**.

**Poster Presentation Date:**
December 10 from 4-7pm (poster must be mounted in HSN Lobby by 3pm)
- 4-5pm Faculty evaluation of posters and presentations
- 5-7pm Posters open to campus and community

**Reflection Paper: (10 percent of final grade)**
- Reflection paper is due **November 30, 2015**.
- Follow the writing guidelines in your student handbook to write a reflection paper on the case you selected. Based on what you learned from your case report or systematic review research, answer these questions in the body of the paper:
  1. What did the capstone project teach you with respect to best published with respect to your case or systematic review clinical question?
  2. What barriers did you find to your learning?
  3. How did this project enhance your clinical reasoning skills?
  4. How will you become a better PT based on what you learned from this capstone project?
PT 6116 Physical Therapy Capstone Project
Read all pages as appropriate to your Capstone project. The assignments and global deadlines are found below. The instructions and rubrics for Systematic review begin on page 5, while case reports begin on page 12.

CASE REPORTS

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SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS

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<td>Rene Medina, Anthony Durant, Joey Gutierrez, HK Nguyen</td>
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Capstone advisors will set individual deadlines per their schedules and ability to provide feedback in a timely manner. However, there will be some global deadlines for all students to follow. The first 2 deadlines this summer are below.

GLOBAL DEADLINES:
- June 19, 5 pm: Students completing case reports must send a synopsis of their case to their respective advisor
- June 19, 5 pm: Students completing the systematic reviews must submit their clinical question to Dr Pechak
- August 17, 5pm: All students must submit an outline of their project to their advisor in preparation for a brief presentation in PT 5225 Specific Populations to demonstrate that they are on target for completion of the project. Bullets must follow the content in the *PTJ* instruction to authors for Case Reports or Systematic Reviews. All students must be prepared to present August 24.
- December 10, 3-7 pm: Capstone Presentations at HSN
Systematic Review Instructions and Rubrics:

The systematic review will be completed by a team of 3 students (or 4 depending on the number of students without a case report). All students will be active in the extraction and evaluation of articles found to answer a clinical question. The team must construct a clear, concise, and answerable question that is based on a specific patient problem students encountered during the curriculum.

The team must work cohesively by setting structured objectives to complete the final product. The goal of which is for all members to contribute equally to the completion of a systematic review suitable for publication. Through using effective communication and constructive conflict resolution as necessary, the faculty expects that the team will meet all objectives in a professional manner. However, in the event a conflict cannot be resolved, the team has the power to dismiss a team member. The consequences of being dismissed from a team will delay graduation, at a minimum of one semester, for the dismissed team member. The individual will have to complete an independent project and present an oral defense in the spring semester to the satisfaction of all faculty.

The capstone project will result in a systematic review for one of the following: diagnosis, prognosis, interventions, or outcomes related to the specific patient related question to be addressed. The systematic review must include at least 10-15 references from peer-reviewed scientific/medical journals. If there are fewer than 10 references, the project will be considered incomplete.

All students who complete the systematic review must follow the PTJ guidelines to authors found at: 
http://ptjournal.apta.org/site/misc/ifora_systematic_reviews.xhtml Read and follow all details of the instructions on the PTJ Website. The exception is that only an unmasked manuscript will be submitted to the faculty advisor; a “masked version” (or blinded version – ie, where your name and institution would not be included) does not have to be submitted. Also students do not need to submit “online-only” materials nor video for this assignment.

1. Read the review process in detail as well as the PRISMA checklist and flow diagram.
2. PRISMA requirements are found at: http://www.prisma-statement.org/
3. The manuscript formatting instructions must be followed:
   a. Title-follow character limits (this title will be used in the doctoral reception documents and on your graduation application)
   b. Abstract –follow word limits and use of required subheadings
   c. Body of manuscript-follow all instructions for word count, subheadings as stated, and for all sections as listed below:
      i. Introduction
      ii. Methods
      iii. Results
      iv. Discussion
   d. Acknowledgments
   e. References
   f. Tables
   g. Figures
   h. Appendixes
The title page of the manuscript should have the following included:

- Title
- University of Texas at El Paso
- Authors
- Faculty Advisor
- Clinical capstone project submitted in partial satisfaction of the requirements for the Doctor of Physical Therapy Degree.

A signature page is also required and an example will be provided by the capstone advisor or with the syllabus.

**Manuscript Rubric**: The team will submit one word processed double spaced, electronic manuscript along with any files of journal articles which are referenced.

The final document along with the signature page must be scanned and emailed to Beverly Scarborough at bscarborough@utep.edu along with the ppt of the poster presentation by the deadlines set by the program. This deadline is included in the deadline portion of the rubric.

Total points 100 with weight factor as below.
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**Discussion**

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No more than 5 paragraphs, statement of principal findings, strengths and weaknesses of the studies, strengths and weaknesses in relation to other studies, discusses important differences in results and meaning of the SR: possible explanations and implications for clinicians and policymakers, unanswered questions and future research reported.

**Meeting deadlines**

1 point

(individual grade)

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**Total 100 points: Weight factor as follow:**

1. Style: 2 points max X 5 = 10
2. Structure: 2 points max X 10 = 20
3. Title: 1 point max X 2 = 2
4. **Abstract** 2 points max X 5 = 10
5. Methods: 2 points max X 7.5 = 15
6. Results: 2 points max X 10 = 20
7. Discussion: 2 points max X 10 = 20
8. Deadlines: 1 point max X 3 = 3
### PT 6116 Grading Rubric for Poster Presentation

**Systematic Review**

**Reviewer:** ____________________________________________

**POINTS:** _______/40

## Poster Formatting

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## Content

**Criterion:** Systematic review process is clearly demonstrated

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### Conclusion

**Criterion:** Appropriate conclusions provided to answer the question posed.

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Deductions of up to 10 percentage points of total score will be made for unprofessional behavior that includes, but is not limited to:

- student did not arrive early to set up poster and/or was not ready to present on time
- student is not dressed professionally
- student behaves unprofessionally (eg, using cell phone while at poster, gum chewing, etc)
Case Report Instructions and Rubrics:
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   b. Case Description: Patient History and Systems Review
   c. Clinical Impression #1
   d. Examination
   e. Clinical Impression #2
   f. Intervention
   g. Outcome
   h. Discussion (results should be tied to the existing literature; suggestions for further research are included; author specifically summarizes at the end of the discussion what this case report adds to the existing literature & what the “take home message” is for the reader)
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   j. References
   k. Tables and Figures
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<td>Background and Purpose 2 points</td>
<td>Provides a scholarly discussion on the gaps in the literature that this case report helps fill; ends with a purpose statement that clearly indicates the focus of the case as it relates to the intervention (eg. “The purpose of this case report is to describe demonstrate the use of a new intervention for…”)</td>
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<td>Case Description: Patient History and Systems Review 2 points</td>
<td>Provides detailed demographic characteristics and history in sufficient detail to demonstrate that the patient is appropriate for the examination and intervention; explains patient/family goals for physical therapy.</td>
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### Examination

**2 points**

Describes any tests needed to confirm that the patient is appropriate for the intervention as stated in the first clinical impression; and clearly explains all examination data. Uses standardized tests and measures.

| important information missing – impossible to follow and understand; uses 2 or more non-standardized tests and measures | important information missing – difficult to follow and understand; uses 1 non-standardized tests and/or measures | most important information included – easy to follow and understand & with 1 or 2 exceptions | all important information included – easy to follow and understand; uses standardized tests and measures |

### Clinical Impression #2

**2 points**

Discusses why the patient is appropriate for use of the target intervention, based on the examination data, and describes the plan for examination to determine the outcome of the intervention, offering hypotheses about what should be observed if the intervention were to be successful.

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### Intervention

**2 points**

Describe the intervention, including how the intervention was developed and how it was applied to the patient, in sufficient detail that others can replicate the procedure. May use tables, figures, and appendixes to enhance the detailed description. Provide the parameters of the intervention (ie, intensity, frequency, and duration) and rules for progression. State changes in treatment over time, along with the rationale for the changes. List any co-interventions that the patient may have received but that are not directly related to the purpose of the case; detailed descriptions may not be necessary.

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<td>Include outcome measures at the person level (eg. Outcomes related to activity or participation) in addition to any other relevant outcome measures. If not already in the examination section, provide operational definitions of the outcome measures and their purpose, and cite evidence for reliability and validity. Priority is given to validated outcome measures. If reliability and validity have not been estimated for a measure, acknowledge this, and make presumptive arguments would be reasonably reliable and valid for the purpose of the case. Present the outcomes over the time points indicated in the follow-up outcomes to baseline. Use tables and figures to enhance the description.</td>
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- **Meeting deadlines**
  - Met all deadlines and communicated well with advisor
  - Missed 1 deadline (.8 pts)
  - Missed 2 deadlines or poor communication
  - Missed 2 deadlines or did not communicate with advisor
Total 100 points: Weight factor as follows:

1. Style: 2 points max X 5       = 10
2. Structure: 2 points max X 5   = 10
3. References: 2 points max x 5  = 10
4. Title: 2 points max X 0.5     =  1
5. Abstract 2 points max X 1     =   5
6. Background and Purpose: 2 points max X 5   = 10
7. Case Description: Patient History and Systems Review: 2 points max x 5 = 10
8. Clinical Impression #1: 2 points max x 1 =  2
9. Examination: 2 points max x 5  = 10
10. Clinical Impression #2: 2 points max x 1 =  2
11. Intervention: 2 points max x 5  = 10
12. Outcome: 2 points max x 5     = 10
13. Discussion: 2 points max x 5  = 10
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Reviewer: _________________________________ POINTS: _____/40

**Poster Formatting**

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**Conclusion**

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