

Mission Statement

The GSPT at SRU will prepare physical therapists who demonstrate competent, ethical, evidenced-based practice and professional behaviors in a dynamic health care environment. The graduates will be lifelong learners who serve the health care needs of consumers and a global society while contributing to the advancement of the profession.

Program Outcomes

1. Effective oral and written professional communication, in formal and informal contexts, for purposes of education, consultation, patient management and developing professional relationships.
2. Integration of knowledge of biological, behavioral, and clinical sciences for clinical decision making.
3. Competent performance of each element of the APTA patient/client management model, including clinical decision making for differential diagnosis, intervention and appropriate referral.
4. Promotion of optimum health and function to a culturally diverse patient/client population.
5. Capability to critically evaluate the professional literature to become evidence-based practitioners and demonstrate basic competence in research processes.
6. Effective leadership and business practices in physical therapy.
7. Professional behavior consistent with ethical and legal standards of the profession.
8. Continuous professional and personal growth to advance professional competence, career goals and the profession.