

To the Class of 2021!

Welcome and Congratulations on your acceptance to the School of Rehabilitation Science, Master of Physical Therapy program! On behalf of the Physical Therapy Student Society, we would like to welcome each and every one of you. You are officially a member of the Physical Therapy Student Society family and we hope that the next two years are exciting and rewarding both academically and socially. We know that there is a lot to read through in your acceptance packages, so we will keep our bit short and sweet.

There are a few things you should know before getting started in August:

- You are joining a program that is extremely rewarding and very challenging, so take some time to yourself this summer and come in feeling fresh in August and ready to take on the year.
- We are hard at work putting together Welcome Week activities to ensure that your first few weeks in the MPT program are fun and memorable. Through these activities we hope that you will get to know your fellow classmates and learn a thing or two about “working in groups”. We also encourage you to take this time to meet some of the second year students and ask them all the questions you may have. We know starting this program can be overwhelming, and as second years we are here to make your transition as smooth as possible.
- As touched on earlier, the pace and workload can be intense at times, but the good news is that there will be 39 other people going through the exact same thing. Help each other out, use your classmates for support, and you will all do brilliantly. Remember, you have already made it into the program – the competition is over! Work together and enjoy the journey you are about to embark on.
- Lastly, PTSS is a great opportunity to develop some real world professional skills and make a contribution to the School, the university and the Physical Therapy profession. There are a variety of positions available and we hope that many of you will get involved with the society.

We are excited to meet you all and we will have more information for you when you start in August. Clear your calendar for welcome week and get ready for some exciting times! Enjoy this experience, and again, congratulations.

Best wishes,

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PTSS Co-Presidents