Examinations

**Written examinations:** Written examinations may vary from one to three hours in length and include different formats (e.g. multiple choice, short answer, essay). Physical Therapy exams are not included in the Student's Union Exam Registry as there is a limited question pool due to the small number of courses and instructors. Written midterm exams will be conducted at some time during the course. Written final exams will be conducted toward the end of each Block. You will be provided with an examination schedule in our course outlines or at the beginning of the Block.

**Practical Examinations:** Practical examinations will be conducted toward the end of each block. Duration of practical exams vary depending on the material to be covered. The candidate works with a model, who may be another student or a standardized patient. The examiner tests one student at a time. Evaluation criteria may include but are not limited to areas, such as effectiveness, skill level, organization, safety, teach/correct model’s performance, application of background knowledge and professionalism. These criteria are provided to students prior to the exam. **NOTE:** Labs will be closed to practice time the day before practical exams begin.

**Deferral of Examinations:** Students should consult section 23.5.6 of the University Calendar concerning deferral of final examinations. Students must seek permission from the Associate Chair who will advocate on the student’s behalf with Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research.

**Change of Exam Date and/or Time:** The Physical Therapy Department adheres to the University of Alberta regulations regarding absence from exams (missed or deferred). See University Calendar section 23.5.6. In addition, a request for taking an examination early i.e. prior to the scheduled date/time will not normally be entertained. If medical, religious and/or compassionate reasons do exist, a student may petition the Associate Chair or designate. The Associate Chair/designate is not required to consider requests for changing of an exam date and/or time for unacceptable reasons that include, but are not limited to personal events such as vacations, weddings or travel arrangements.