

## **S2S 2024 Application Process for Pelvic Health Specialty Clinical Experience**

Athletico Physical Therapy is proud to offer a Specialty Clinical Experience through the Women's and Men's Health Program with an emphasis in Pelvic Health. A limited number of placements are available for DPT students completing their final clinical experience. Selected applicants will be placed with a Clinical Instructor who specializes in treating Pelvic Health. This rotation may be a mix of Outpatient Orthopedics and Pelvic Health based upon the Clinical Instructor's caseload. Students will treat the general orthopedic population, along with patients with diagnoses of abdominal or pelvic pain, bladder and bowel disorders, pre- and post-operative gynecological or reproductive surgery, pregnancy and postpartum, sexual or reproductive dysfunction, breast health, and bone health. This is a specialty rotation and an application is required. The application process for 2024 is currently underway.

### **Requirements:**

- Resume
- Letter of intent
- Letter of recommendation from a faculty member
- Final Clinical Experience for 2024
- Strong Orthopedic background
- Exemplary professional behavior and communication skills
  
- Selected applicants will be required to attend a Level 1 Pelvic Health course and submit a certificate of completion prior to the start of this clinical experience.\* Course options include Herman and Wallace Pelvic Floor level 1 (10% student discount), APTA's Academy of Pelvic Health Level 1 or a university Pelvic Health elective that includes instruction in internal pelvic examination, as approved by Athletico's Student Clinical Education team. See links below for future dates of courses:
  - [Herman & Wallace Pelvic Rehabilitation Continuing Education - Continuing Education Courses \(hermanwallace.com\)](#)
  - [Upcoming Live Courses – APTA Pelvic Health](#)

\*Priority for placements will be given to students who complete a Level 1 Pelvic Health course prior to their clinical experience. If you are unable to complete a level 1 course, you will not be able to perform internal pelvic examinations on patients, but you may still be eligible to be paired with a CI who performs external treatment only or a CI with a smaller caseload of Pelvic Health patients.

**Interested applicants should submit their application packet electronically at this link by March 17, 2023. [Click here to Apply](#)**

Applications will be reviewed by Athletico's Student Clinical Education Team. Top applicants will undergo a virtual interview in March/April, and final decisions will be announced by April 28, 2023. This is a competitive application process.



**Locations:** Selected students will be assigned to a Clinical Instructor in:

- **Chicago, IL**, or the surrounding area, up to 1 hour driving distance
- **St. Louis, MO**, or the surrounding area up to 1 hour driving distance
- **Grand Rapids, MI**, or the surrounding area up to 1 hour driving distance
- **Westminster, MD and Frederick, MD**, or the surrounding area up to 1 hour driving distance
- **Midlothian, VA**, or the surrounding area up to 1 hour driving distance
- **Roanoke/Salem, VA**, or the surrounding area up to 1 hour driving distance
- **Clarks Summit/Avoca/Greentown, PA**, or the surrounding area up to 1 hour driving distance

**Terms:**

- If an applicant does not receive a Pelvic Health Specialty Clinical, the applicant is not guaranteed a general Outpatient Orthopedics experience with Athletico Physical Therapy.
- This may be a mixed clinical experience with the caseload consisting of outpatient orthopedics and pelvic health.

**Deadline for Applications: March 17, 2023**

**Decisions will be announced by April 28, 2023**

**Pelvic Health Specialty Clinical Experience  
Letter of Recommendation**

**Materials due by: March 17, 2023**

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide your views on the following by placing “X” in the appropriate column below.**

	Very Weak	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Very Strong
Applicant's capacity for analytic thinking and problem-solving					
Ability to work effectively with others					
Communication and interpersonal skills					
Commitment to learning					
Sense of responsibility and professional obligation					
Motivation					
Accountability for actions, decisions, and behaviors					
Demonstrates technical competency in basic manual and joint mobilization skills					

**Please attach a brief written statement elaborating further on the above qualities and describing what distinguishes this applicant from other candidates applying for Athletico Physical Therapy's Pelvic Health Specialty clinical rotation.**

Please return this rating form and the written letter to the applicant. The applicant will turn in with their other materials electronically as one application packet.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (electronic acceptable): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



## Letter of Intent

In one page or less please answer the following:

1. Why are you interested in a Pelvic Health Specialty Clinical Experience with Athletico Physical Therapy?
2. What are your post-graduation career goals?
3. What are your goals during your specialty clinical experience?
4. What sets you apart from other candidates applying for a Pelvic Health Specialty clinical experience with Athletico?
5. What is your ideal caseload for a Pelvic Health Specialty Clinical Experience? 100% Pelvic Health, a mixed caseload of Pelvic Health and Orthopedics or patients with Pelvic Health diagnoses in need of external treatment only?