Case Western Reserve University  
Director of Doctorate of Physical Therapy Program  
Center for Medical Education  
School of Medicine

The Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) School of Medicine is seeking a qualified candidate to be the inaugural Director of the Doctorate of Physical Therapy (DPT) Program. This is a tenure-eligible position and a majority of the time will be spent developing and administrating the program and conducting scholarly research. CWRU is a top ranked, private research university located in one of the leading biomedical research and medical education centers in the world. Core values of academic excellence, inclusiveness and diversity, integrity and transparency and effective stewardship, makes CWRU an extraordinary place to work and develop an academic career.

The School of Medicine offers a unique opportunity for educational and research collaboration. Its outstanding basic science scholarship and affiliations with University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center, the Cleveland Clinic, MetroHealth Medical Center, the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center and other clinical facilities throughout Ohio offer outstanding opportunities for collaborative scholarship and practice. We anticipate faculty within this program will collaborate with multiple Departments and Centers, including two national VA Centers for Rehabilitation Research and Development, Department of Biomedical Engineering, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and Department of Neurosciences, as well as contribute to initiatives within the University and School of Medicine, such as our Brain Health Initiative and Model Spinal Cord Injury Center. Close collaboration with the Center for the Advancement of Medical Learning provides an exemplary resource for the development of state-of-the-art teaching/learning methodologies. This, combined with the unique School of Medicine Inquiry (IQ) based curriculum model and CWRU-developed HoloAnatomy™, offer a unique opportunity for an innovative Physical Therapy education program. After initial accreditation, the School of Medicine is open to the development of joint degree programs at the PhD and Master’s level, and/or clinical residency programs.

The School of Medicine is committed to providing resources for a strong program and to attract and continuously develop top faculty talent.

**Responsibilities and Duties:** The Director is expected to develop and lead, in consultation with other School of Medicine leadership, a DPT program consistent with the University and School visions and missions. This will require curricular development, consultation with space and facilities for program space, collaboration with other offices to ensure appropriate program and student support, and submission of program authorization documentation to Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Director will be responsible for recruiting core and affiliated faculty and building a strong program through leadership development and mentorship. This position will involve development of the core educational program and a well-rounded faculty scholarly research agenda. The Director will be responsible for ensuring the program meets all CAPTE accreditation standards and deadlines. The Director is expected to maintain and further develop a line of research inquiry in human performance and
rehabilitation personally and/or within the Department, to mentor scholarship among the Physical Therapy faculty, and to develop research collaborations with other investigators at CWRU. In his or her administrative capacity, the Program Director will report to the office of the Dean of the School of Medicine.

We anticipate approximately 50% effort will be devoted to program administration, with remaining effort to be split between teaching, research and clinical activities.

**Required Qualifications:** The candidate must be a licensed physical therapist (PT) in a US jurisdiction. Candidate must have an earned PhD or equivalent advanced academic doctoral degree and have the academic record to hold the rank of associate professor or professor at CWRU, with the rank dependent on publication record, reputation as judged by peers, and national level achievement. Candidates should have a minimum of six years of full time higher education experience, with a minimum of three years of full-time experience in a physical therapist education program advising and teaching DPT students and demonstrate a desire to develop an innovative Physical Therapy curriculum. Candidate should show a record of professional peer-reviewed publications and presentations at national and international meetings. Candidate must be able to demonstrate excellent oral and written communication skills, a track record of leadership as well as faculty and student development. Candidate must have experience with the CAPTE accreditation process.

**Preferred Qualifications:** Candidates should have a combination of the following: A record of academic leadership or leadership training, ideally with previous experiences as a Program Director, Associate Director or Department Chair. Experiences with recruiting, teaching, advising and developing a diverse student population are preferred; a national reputation in scholarship with a history of successful grantsmanship, ideally interfacing with existing research strengths at CWRU; and/or an ability to interface and collaborate effectively with affiliated clinical partners in a complex multi-affiliate academic medical center.

**How to Apply:** Review of applications will begin on May 1, 2018. Send letter of application, complete CV, a list of 3 references, a statement of educational philosophy and a description of scholarship plans to:

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Case Western Reserve University provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. Applicants requiring a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and
hiring process should contact the Office for Inclusion, Diversity and Equal Opportunity at 216.368.8877 to request a reasonable accommodation. Determinations as to granting reasonable accommodations for any applicant will be made on a case-by-case basis.