River Valley Community College – Physical Therapist Assistant Program Outcomes & Public Disclosure Metrics

Graduation Rate: (CAPTE Standard 1C1):
CAPTE Standard: Graduation rates are at least 60% averaged over 2 years
RVCC Threshold: Should graduation percentage dip below 70% for any academic year, the program faculty will evaluate and determine if program changes should be made.

	2024	2025	2026
Graduation Rate For specified year per CAPTE Standards	87.5%	83.3%	100%
2-Year Average (averaged with previous year)	90.2%	85.7%	92.3%

Graduation rate is calculated by those students graduating on time plus those students graduating in 150% (3 years) time divided by the number in the original cohort who started the first PTA Program Technical course (AHLT135R) after the add/drop period. This rate excludes those students who leave due to death/disability/military/or health/family/personal issues. This method was adopted by CAPTE in 2019.

Licensure Pass Rate: (CAPTE Standard 1C2):
CAPTE Standard: Ultimate licensure pass rates are at least 85% averaged over two years
RVCC Threshold: Should Ultimate Pass Rate dip below 85% for any one year following all test takers completing testing cycles, the program faculty will evaluate and determine if program changes should be made.

	2024	2025~	2026
First Time Test Taker Licensure Pass Rate	83.3%	60.0%	71.4%
Ultimate Licensure Pass Rate For specified year	83.3%	100%	85.7%*
2-Year Average of Ultimate Licensure Pass Rate (averaged with previous year)	94.4%	90.9%	91.7%

Licensure rate is reported based on reporting from the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).

** Students from this cohort have not all tested, or re-tested within 1 year stabilization period, % subject to change.*

~Program faculty have made changes to exam prep processes in PTAC 250R beginning Spring 2025. Data collected shows programmatic content meets needs, leading us to focus on test prep vs. programmatic changes.

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Employment Rate: (CAPTE Standard 1C3):
CAPTE Standard: Employment rates, as a physical therapist assistant, are at least 90% averaged over two years
RVCC Threshold: Should fewer than 90% of graduates be employed at their desired level (FT, PT, or PRN) within 6 months of passing the National Board Exam, the program faculty will evaluate job openings and current enrollment trends to ensure a balance in graduates and workforce needs.

	2024	2025	2026
Employment Rate For specified year per CAPTE Standards	100%	100%	Will be reported January
2-Year Average (averaged with previous year)	100%	100%	Will be reported January

Employment rate is calculated based on the percentage of graduates who sought employment in the field and are employed at their desired rate (either full or part time) as a PTA within 1 year following graduation.

Matriculation Rate: (related to CAPTE Standard 2D2)
CAPTE Standard: Program enrollment appropriately reflects available resources, program outcomes and workforce needs
RVCC Threshold: The program allows matriculation of no greater than 24 students per cohort. A cohort is defined as those students beginning AHLT 135R in the first fall semester and on track to participate in clinical education PTAC 190R the following summer.

	Fall 2024 Incoming	Fall 2025 Incoming	Fall 2026 Incoming
Number of completed applications	15	33	21
Number of accepted students (percent of accepted students)	15 (100%)	25 (72.7%)*	21 (100%)
Number of matriculated students (percent of matriculated students)	11 (73%)	18 (75%)	12 (57%)

**Applicants not accepted into the 2025 cohort either withdrew application after acceptance or chose to enroll in a different major – typically pre-PTA Healthcare Applications Certificate*

CAPTE = Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education
CAPTE Standard = the benchmark that all accredited programs are held to
RVCC Threshold = the minimum we will accept before evaluating our processes