

Thank you for your interest in The University of New Mexico Physical Therapy Program.

We are located at the UNM Health Sciences Center campus, between the towering Sandia Mountains to the east and the Rio Grande Valley to the west. Northern New Mexico is high desert (Albuquerque sits at 5,000 ft above sea level), offering wonderful weather throughout the year. It is one of the only places in the world where one can ski in the mountains in the morning and bike in shorts in the valley the same afternoon. It is truly a special place for outdoor enthusiasts.

We are committed to student centered learning and have many non-traditional ways of learning, including: a faculty led 2-week clinical experience abroad; a rehabilitation, exercise and community health (REACH) service learning lab where students can obtain real world clinical experience beginning in the first semester of the program; and simulated patient labs to address clinical skill development in a realistic setting. In addition, we offer full anatomy dissection in our state-of-the-art gross anatomy laboratory.

Other highlights of our program include a motion analysis lab that we use for teaching, research and clinical gait analysis. Our research endeavors have grown considerably over the last few years, with active collaborations within exercise physiology, athletic training, and engineering. Additionally, we are involved with the North campus fitness center where students are paired with PT faculty on select Friday afternoons to develop custom fitness programs for UNM employees.

All in all, we are striving to provide creative ways to prepare students for the ever-evolving profession of physical therapy.

We are proud of our program and invite you to explore our website with updated news and events, attend an advisement session and contact our Director of Admissions, [Dr. Jodi Schilz](#), with any questions.



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