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Certificate in the Principles of Conductive Education

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In 1945, post-war Europe left Hungary hidden behind a veil of Cold War secrecy.



At the same time, in Budapest, Hungarian physician Andres Peto developed a new and innovative approach to therapy for adults and children with motor disorders, called Conductive Education (CE). His work with CE led to the creation of the "Institute for the Motor Disabled" in the 1950s, now known as The Peto Institute.

Peto's institute provided an effective therapy model decades before the west would even hear about it.

More than 40 years later, after the end of the Cold War, Conductive Education finally emerged from Eastern Europe, and today Conductive Education is beginning to provide exciting therapy options for children and adults with motor disabilities in the United States – and around the world.

How to Apply

To apply to the Certificate in the Principles of Conductive Education, students must complete two applications* and provide supporting documents.

Applications:

- University Certificate Application
- CE Certificate Supplemental Application

*Both applications are available online at www.govst.edu/cecert or from the **Department of Physical Therapy**. For applications call 708.235.3994.

Supporting Documents


- Professional licensure/certification
- Malpractice/liability insurance
- Current resume
- Statement of personal goals (1-2 pages)

Questions? Contact

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Required Courses:

- OCCT/PHYT510 Principles of Conductive Education (3)
- OCCT/PHYT520 Disease Processes Relevant to Conductive Education (2)
- OCCT/PHYT530 Advances in Motor Control and Motor Learning (3)
- OCCT/PHYT550 Research in Conductive Education (2)
- OCCT/PHYT560 Practicum in Conductive Education (3)
- OCCT/PHYT570 Learning Processes in Conductive Education (3)

Total 16 credit hours

Note: All courses contain college level, and in some cases master's level, coursework.




The Certificate in the Principles of Conductive Education takes the best of what Conductive Education has to offer and teaches therapists, educators, and other professionals how to work together to provide a transdisciplinary Conductive Education environment – a group-conducted therapy for individuals with motor disabilities.

Transdisciplinary Conductive Education

Transdisciplinary Conductive Education approaches physical disability from an educational rather than a medical perspective. CE's coordinated therapy method joins the skills of therapists and educators to provide clients with an intensive – and social – therapy session. Clients spend more time in functional therapy, resulting in greater improvement and a better quality of life.

Conductive Education utilizes a method known as “Rhythmic Intention,” which helps individuals with motor disorders coordinate their movements. The result is more control with less fatigue.



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Conductive Education offers several advantages that translate to a variety of clinical practice settings, including hospitals, long-term care facilities, and schools.

Transdisciplinary Conductive Education

- Provides intensive motor training
- Contributes to a systematic change in the way services are delivered
- Increases socialization opportunities
- Maximizes client function and independence
- Is cost effective
- Maximizes therapy time
- Enhances rehabilitation service delivery

Students who earn the Certificate in the Principles of Conductive Education will

- Improve their transdisciplinary teaming skills
- Become part of a network of therapists with advanced training
- Help clients focus on functional skill development
- Understand the principles and tenets of CE and how to implement them in a therapeutic environment
- Understand the role of CE Conductor teachers in group therapy

Benefits of enrolling in this certificate

- Part-time program
- Courses offered entirely online
- Program is eligible for 45 continuing education units (OTs and PTs)
- Practicum experience is performed at the Center for Independence through Conductive Education, In Countryside, IL
- Certificate faculty are internationally recognized

