

CURRICULUM VITAE

Dawn S. Brown, PT, DPT, EdD
Board-Certified Clinical Specialist in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy



PRESENT POSITION: Assistant Professor, Governors State University, Physical Therapy Department

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH TRAINING:

Degree/ Training	Institution	City, State	Topic/Mentor	Year(s)
Ed.D.	Northern Illinois University	DeKalb, Illinois	Higher Education Administration/Mentor: Carrie Kortegast <i>Dissertation Title: Leadership Styles of Doctor of Physical Therapy Program Directors</i>	2019-2022
D.P.T.	Alabama State University	Montgomery, Alabama	Physical Therapy/Mentor: Lynda Woodruff	2014-2015
M.P.T.	Northwestern University	Chicago, Illinois	Physical Therapy	1997-1999
B.A.	Northwestern University	Evanston, Illinois	Psychology	1992-1996

LICENSURE INFORMATION/REGISTRATION NUMBER:

Physical Therapist Illinois 070011842 2000-Pres

CERTIFICATIONS:

Training	Organization	Year(s)
Board-Certified Clinical Specialist in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy	American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties	2017
Certified Graston Technique Provider	Graston Technique, Inc	2014
Certification in 3DMAPS (Movement Analysis and Performance System)	Gray Institute	2014
Certification in Applied Functional Science	Gray Institute	2013
Kinesiotaping Practitioner	Kinesiotaping Association International	2005
Certified Ergonomic Assessment Specialist	The Back School	2004
Credentialed Clinical Instructor	American Physical Therapy Association	2001

EMPLOYMENT AND POSITIONS HELD:

ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND RANK

Governors State University (University Park, Illinois)

Faculty Rank (Department of Physical Therapy)

Assistant Professor

2022-Pres

Teaching Responsibilities: Research, Patient Management, Psychosocial Aspects of Physical Therapy, Clinical Education Preparation

Northern Illinois University (DeKalb, Illinois)

Faculty Rank (Programs in Physical Therapy)

Clinical Assistant Professor

Director of Clinical Education

2016-2022

Teaching Responsibilities: Advanced Exercise Prescription, Differential Diagnosis, Professionalism, Ethics, Clinical Education Preparation

Governors State University (University Park, Illinois)

Faculty Rank (Department of Physical Therapy)

Adjunct Faculty

2014-2016

Teaching Responsibilities: Patient Management

NON-ACADEMIC POSITIONS: CLINICAL

Team Rehabilitation Physical Therapy

Float Physical Therapist (orthopaedic)

2022-Pres

Orland Park, Illinois

NIU Physical Therapy Clinic

2016-2022

Physical Therapy Coordinator (orthopaedic)

DeKalb, Illinois

Sports and Ortho Physical Therapy

Clinic Manager (orthopaedic)

2013-2016

Hyde Park, Illinois

Quest Physical Therapy

Lead Physical Therapist (orthopaedic)

2011-2013

Loveland, Ohio

ATI Physical Therapy

Lead Physical Therapist (orthopaedic)

2009-2011

Chicago, Illinois

Accelerated Rehabilitation Centers (currently Athletico)

Facility Manager (orthopaedic)

2003-2008

Chicago, Illinois

The Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine Center

Staff Physical Therapist (orthopaedic)

2001-2003

River Forest, Illinois

Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center

Staff Physical Therapist (acute care and orthopaedic)

2000-2001

Chicago, Illinois

Elmhurst Memorial Hospital

Registry Physical Therapist (acute care, subacute, SNF)

2000-2004

Elmhurst, Illinois

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

1. Poole A, Hibbard S, Bell KA, **Brown DS**, Condran C, Covington K. An Exploration of Doctor of Physical Therapy Students' Belongingness in Clinical Education: A Validation Study. *J Phys Ther Educ.* (In Review, September 2022)
2. Nyunt G., **Brown D**, Jensen A, Schaefer C. Motivations to pursue an Ed.D. in higher education: A qualitative case study [published online ahead of print October 18, 2022]. *J of Student Aff Res Pract.* <https://doi.org/10.1080/19496591.2022.2111521>

Research in progress:

1. **Brown DS.** Leadership Styles of Doctor of Physical Therapy Program Directors. (2022)
2. Sanders B, Ward S, Jensen G, Nordstrom T, Kirch N, Nixon-Cave K, **Brown D**, et al. *Blueprint for Excellence in Physical Therapy Education.* (2022)

PEER REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

National Conference Presentations:

- Brown DS.** 2023
Why?: The essential question and answer to intrinsically motivate students and faculty.
Educational session, to be presented at the APTA Combined Sections Meeting. San Diego, California.
- Brown DS.** 2022
The power of 'why': Motivating students and faculty to pursue excellence in education.
Educational session, ACAPT Educational Leadership Conference. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- Brown DS.** 2022
Surviving to thriving in the professoriate.
Educational session, AAPT Annual Conference. Birmingham, Alabama.
- Brown DS.** 2022
Survival tactics for clinical instructors.
Educational session, AAPT Annual Conference. Birmingham, Alabama.
- Brown DS.** 2022
An innovative academic leadership toolbox to transform leaders in physical therapy education.
Educational session, APTA Combined Sections Meeting. San Antonio, Texas.
- Bettin N, **Brown DS**, Robackouski J, Castillo M. 2022
Mentoring through teaching and leading: DPT students as clinical instructors.
Poster platform, APTA Combined Sections Meeting. San Antonio, Texas.
- Nyunt G, **Brown DS**, Jensen A, Schaefer C. 2021
Motivations to pursue an Ed.D. in higher education: A qualitative case study.
Research presentation, Association for the Study of Higher Education Annual Conference (Virtual)
- Brown DS.** 2021
An innovative academic leadership toolbox to transform leaders in physical therapy education.

- Educational session, ACAPT Educational Leadership Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.
- Poole A, **Brown DS**, Bell K, Condran C, Covington K, Hibbard S. 2021
An exploration of Doctor of Physical Therapy Students' belongingness in clinical education.
 Educational session, ACAPT Educational Leadership Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.
- Woods L, Crawford S, **Brown DS**, Williams-York B. 2021
Reflections of the Black experience in the physical therapy profession: Revisiting the DEI consortium listening sessions of 2020.
 Educational session, ACAPT Educational Leadership Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.
- Bettin N., **Brown DS**, Robackouski J, Castillo M. 2021
Mentoring through teaching and leading: DPT students as clinical instructors.
 Educational session, ACAPT Educational Leadership Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.
- Brown DS**, Jonas T. 2021
More than the money: A framework for professional employment decision making.
 Educational session, APTA Combined Sections Meeting. Virtual.
- Crawford S, **Brown DS**, Millar A, York-Williams B, Jackson V. 2020
Diversity, equity, and inclusion in physical therapy education: Developing a diverse and culturally competent workforce.
 Educational session, ACAPT Educational Leadership Conference. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- Brown DS**, Jonas T. 2020
More than the money: A framework for professional employment decision making.
 Educational session, APTA Next Conference 2020. Virtual.
- Brown DS.** 2016
Ensuring diversity and inclusion in physical therapy: from the colleges/universities to the workforce.
 Educational session, AAPT Annual Conference. Atlanta, Georgia.
- Regional/State/Institutional Conference Presentations:**
- Brown DS.** 2022
How to motivate students & faculty and patients and staff.
 Educational session, IPTA Revitalize Conference. Virtual.
- Brown DS.** 2022
Motivating students and faculty for academic success.
 Educational session, NIU One Day Student Affairs Conference DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2021
Pathways to the professoriate and leadership.
 Educational session, Taste of Physical Therapy, DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2021
Nutrition: The missing item on a PTs menu of intervention.
 Educational session, Taste of Physical Therapy, DeKalb, Illinois

- Brown DS.** 2021
Transformative leadership in physical therapy education and clinical practice: More than a title.
 Educational session, IPTA Revitalize Conference in St. Charles, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2021
I can't breathe: Understanding racial battle fatigue.
 Educational session, Preparing Future Faculty in Illinois 6th Annual Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2021
Bold and courageous leadership strategies to meet the demands of higher education today.
 Educational session, NIU One Day Student Affairs Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2020
Cultural taxation in higher education.
 Educational session, Diversifying Faculty in Illinois 5th Annual Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2020
Why is everything so white? Exposing and reducing white privilege in higher education.
 Educational session, NIU One Day Student Affairs Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2020
Medical screening for rehabilitation professionals.
 Educational session, Musculoskeletal Through Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Series, DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2020
Ethical and professional issues in physical therapy.
 Educational session, *Musculoskeletal Applications in Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Series.* DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS.** 2019
Differential diagnosis for rehab professionals.
 Educational session, Musculoskeletal Applications Through Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Series. DeKalb, Illinois.
- Brown DS, Arquines C, Kress S, Chase T, Bala, A.** 2018
Promoting excellence in physical therapy clinical education.
 Educational session, IPTA Revitalize Conference. St. Charles, Illinois.
- Panels/Professional Development Presentations:**
 White R, **Brown DS**, Hack L, Coleman D, Williams D, Boyd S, Thompson S, Campbell M, Jackson A. 2022
The African American experience in health inequity: From the classroom to the clinic.
 Panel discussion. Virtual.
- Brown DS.** 2021
Advice for aspiring academic leaders of color
 Educational session, Cultivating a Mentoring Culture Series. DeKalb, Illinois.

Brown DS, Jackson K, Shackelford M, Barajas D. 2020
Diversity, equity, and inclusion virtual workshop.
Workshop, Illinois Physical Therapy Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Brown DS, Arquines C, Bala A, Kress S. 2016
Student exposure to breadth and depth of patient care.
Panel discussion, Chicago Area Clinical Educators Forum. Chicago, Illinois.

Brown DS, Blevins T, Sauer A, Henshue J, Pycio N, Carr E. 2016
Healthcare Panel Discussion
Panel discussion, Rockford University. Rockford, Illinois.

NON PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS:

Invited Presentations:

Bradley University Physical Therapy Program 2022
Implicit bias: Our blindspots

Georgia State University Doctor of Physical Therapy Program 2022
Centering diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging into your curriculum

Physical Therapy Learning Institute Annual Summit 2022
After the seats are filled: Equity and inclusion

Social Media Presentations:

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
Getting More Value Out of Your Syllabus
<https://youtu.be/3PawteUjGcs>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
Practicing Self-Care
<https://youtu.be/sfoz6QBZT5U>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
How to Get Great Recommendation Letters
<https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/73-teach-me-something-tuesday-how-to-get-great-recommendation-letters-with-dr-dawn-brown>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
How to Overcome Imposter Syndrome in Physical Therapy School
<https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/69-teach-me-something-tuesday-how-to-overcome-imposter-syndrome-in-physical-therapy-school-with-dr-dawn-brown>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
Quiet Quitting in Physical Therapy
<https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/68-teach-me-something-tuesday-quiet-quitting-in-physical-therapy-with-dr-dawn-brown>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
Staying Motivated While in DPT School
<https://youtu.be/cq8h4nVihq4>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday 2022
Recognizing Soft Skills as Essential Skills
<https://youtube.com/shorts/SFIXftAsOC0?feature=share>

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast 2022
Belongingness in Clinical Education
<https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/dr-ashley-poole-belongingness-in-clinical-education>

APTA Podcasts 2020
I See Me in You
<https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/news-publications/podcasts/2021/i-see-me-in-you>

FUNDED/IN REVIEW GRANT ACTIVITY:

Co-Investigators **Brown DS**, Chevan J, Crawford S, Matthews N, Nixon-Cave K.
American Council of Academic Physical Therapy National Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Summit
 2022, Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation Research Grant, \$25,000 2022-2023

OTHER SCHOLARLY PRODUCTS:

Brown DS. Defining moment: I see me in you. *APTA Magazine*. 2020
<https://www.apta.org/apta-magazine/2021/06/01/apta-magazine-june-2021/i-see-me-in-you>

American Council on Academic Physical Therapy. Listening session. Williams-York B, **Brown DS**, Varnado V, Woods L. 2020. How Racism and Social Injustice Reverberate in the Black Physical Therapy Education Community.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F13Bt7vJ_d4&list=PLEoSETnnyK2JxjYSiHBBskMzfl2MImpl7&index=1

American Council on Academic Physical Therapy. Listening session. **Brown DS**. Friend Huggins C, Poole A, Wilkins B, Bell A, Crump Z, German F. 2020. DCE, SCCE, and CI Reflections on the Black DPT Student Clinical Education Experience.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6WVNickiiJI&list=PLEoSETnnyK2JxjYSiHBBskMzfl2MImpl7&index=4&t=6s>

Writing and Editorial Responsibilities:

American Physical Therapy Association 2019-Pres
 Abstract Proposal Reviewer Combined Sections Meeting

American Council of Academic Physical Therapy 2019-Pres
 Abstract Proposal Reviewer Educational Leadership Conference

National Physical Therapy Examination 2015
 Item Writer

CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED:

Brown DS, LeBlanc V, Jones G. 2022
Student Session: Belongingness
AAPT 2022 Annual Conference. Birmingham, Alabama.

Brown DS, LeBlanc V, Jones G. 2022
Student Session: Success Strategies
AAPT 2022 Annual Conference. Birmingham, Alabama.

MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENTIFIC/PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)

Chapter, Section, and Academy Membership and Leadership

APTA Illinois

Member 1997-Pres
Co-chair DEI Committee 2021-Pres
Careers in PT Committee 2021-Pres
Assembly Representative 2006-Pres
Nominating Committee Chair 2018-2020
Volunteer and Elections Committee Task Force 2019-2020
Diversity Task Force Chair 2016-2019

Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy 1997-Pres
Member

Academy of Education 2016-Pres
Member

American Council of Academic Physical Therapy (ACAPT)

ACAPT Leadership Academy (ALA) Oversight Committee 2022-Pres
Commissioner, National Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Commission
Member 2021-Pres
Founder DEI Consortium 2016-Pres

American Academy of Physical Therapy

Conference Planning Committee 2021-Pres
Member 2016-Pres

National Association of Black Physical Therapists

Member 2021-Pres

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

APTA Blueprints Task Force 2021-Pres
Provided input for an outline of elements of what an excellent physical therapy program should have at its foundation and provide for its faculty and to its students

PT Moves Me Ambassador

Assisted with recruiting the next generation of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants
2021-2022

<i>American Academy of Physical Therapy Conference Planning Committee</i> Assisted with conference development and session planning	2022
<i>APTA DEI Roundtable Discussion Planning Workgroup</i> Focused on creating interactive content for members to discuss and operationalize plans to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion within the physical therapy profession.	2019-2020
<i>ACAPT Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Consortium</i> Nominating Committee Chair	2019-2021
<i>Illinois Preparing Future Faculty of Color Committee</i> Served as board member to plan future conferences to racially diversity the professoriate	2017-pres
<i>DeKalb Community Resource Fair</i> Provided information about physical therapy	2015-2019
<i>Rock of Ages Baptist Church Health and Wellness Ministry</i> Provided physical therapy screening and health advice to church members	2014-2018
<i>Volunteer for area high schools</i> Mentored students regarding a career in physical therapy	2016-Pres
<i>Chicago Marathon Medical Crew</i> Triaged participants for healthcare services	2010-2015

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE/DEPARTMENT ON COMMITTEES/COUNCILS/COMMISSIONS

Governors State University

Department

Admissions Committee 2022

College

CHHS Librarian Search Committee 2022

University

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Council Member – appointed 2022

Governors State University Foundations Scholarships Reviewer 2022

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE/SCHOOL ON COMMITTEES/COUNCILS/COMMISSIONS:

Northern Illinois University

Program

NIU PT Clinic 2016-2022

Taste of Physical Therapy presentation series 2018-2022

Faculty Liaison for the NIU DPT Program Student Organization 2016-2022

Faculty Liaison for the PT Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Alliance 2020-2022

School

AHCD Awards Committee 2018-2022

Co-chair of the AHCD Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee 2020-2022

Clinical Faculty Personnel Committee 2020-2022

University

Black Faculty and Staff Association	2016-2022
Board member for the Illinois Preparing Future Faculty Committee	2019-2022

HONORS AND AWARDS:

<i>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Award (inaugural recipient)</i> Northwestern University Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences	2022
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<i>Academic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Richard A. Flournory Engagement Award</i> Northern Illinois University	2021
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<i>Minority Faculty Development Scholarship Award</i> American Physical Therapy Association	2021
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<i>Huskie Pride Award for Service</i> Northern Illinois University	2020
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<i>Allied Health and Communicative Disorders Clinical Faculty Award</i> Northern Illinois University	2020
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<i>Huskie Pride Award for Service</i> Northern Illinois University	2019
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<i>Diversity Award for Excellence in Academic Equity</i> Northern Illinois University College of Health and Human Sciences	2018
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<i>Most Valuable Professor Award</i> Northern Illinois University	2016
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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT:

Emerging Faculty Leaders Program, Northern Illinois University	2021-2022
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Clinical Leadership Development Program, ATI Physical Therapy	2010
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CONTINUING EDUCATION ATTENDED: (last 5 years)

American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting	2022-2012
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American Council of Academic Physical Therapy Education Leadership Conference	2022, 2016
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Illinois Physical Therapy Association Revitalize Conference	2022-2000
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American Academy of Physical Therapy Annual Conference	2022, 2016
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Governors State University Center for Active Engagement and Scholarship: Culturally Responsive Teaching	2022
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Trauma Informed Practice Series	2022
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Taste of Physical Therapy Presentation Series	2022-2020
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Musculoskeletal Through Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Lecture Series	2020-2017
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Northern Illinois University Teaching Effectiveness Institute: Teaching With Classroom Technology	2022
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Teaching Distracted Learners with James Lang	2022
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Creating Communities of Hope	2021
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Diversity Is Just the Beginning: Removing Barriers to Student Success in the Classroom	2020
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The Science of Learning and Why It Matters	2019
Transforming Your Students Into Self-Regulated Learners and Enhancing Their Academic Performance	2019
Critical Reflection in Enhancing Student Learning	2018
Team-Based Learning: A Transformative Strategy for Your Courses	2017
Humanizing Your Online Course	2017
Academy of Physical Therapy Education Faculty Development Workshop	2018
Functional Ethics sponsored by Northwestern University	2018
Fundamental Principles of Effective Instruction	2017

CURRENT TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE ENTRY LEVEL PHYSICAL THERAPY

DEPARTMENT:

Fall

PHYT 6710 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar I
Co-instructor 2022

PHYT 7730 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar III
Co-instructor 2022

PHYT 7750 Preparation for Clinical Experiences in Physical Therapy 1
Co-instructor 2022

PHYT 7760 Interaction and Education for Patient Care
Co-instructor 2022

PHYT 8792 Wellness and Human Performance
Co-instructor 2022

Spring

PHYT 6720 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar II
Co-instructor 2022

PHYT 7740 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar IV
Co-Instructor 2022

PHYT 7770 Ethical, Leadership, and Policy Dimensions of Physical Therapy
Co-Instructor 2022

PHYT 8810 Preparation for Clinical Experiences in Physical Therapy 2
Co-instructor 2022

PHYT 6724 Pharmacology for Physical Therapy
Co-instructor 2022

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