

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, Wellness and Human Performance

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, 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**, Robackowski 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**, Robackowski 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. <i>Transformative leadership in physical therapy education and clinical practice: More than a title.</i> Educational session, IPTA Revitalize Conference in St. Charles, Illinois.	2021
Brown DS. <i>I can't breathe: Understanding racial battle fatigue.</i> Educational session, Preparing Future Faculty in Illinois 6 th Annual Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.	2021
Brown DS. <i>Bold and courageous leadership strategies to meet the demands of higher education today.</i> Educational session, NIU One Day Student Affairs Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.	2021
Brown DS. <i>Cultural taxation in higher education.</i> Educational session, Diversifying Faculty in Illinois 5 th Annual Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.	2020
Brown DS. <i>Why is everything so white? Exposing and reducing white privilege in higher education.</i> Educational session, NIU One Day Student Affairs Conference. DeKalb, Illinois.	2020
Brown DS. <i>Medical screening for rehabilitation professionals.</i> Educational session, Musculoskeletal Through Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Series, DeKalb, Illinois.	2020
Brown DS. <i>Ethical and professional issues in physical therapy.</i> Educational session, <i>Musculoskeletal Applications in Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Series. DeKalb, Illinois.</i>	2020
Brown DS. <i>Differential diagnosis for rehab professionals.</i> Educational session, Musculoskeletal Applications Through Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Series. DeKalb, Illinois.	2019
Brown DS, Arquines C, Kress S, Chase T, Bala, A. <i>Promoting excellence in physical therapy clinical education.</i> Educational session, IPTA Revitalize Conference. St. Charles, Illinois.	2018
Panels/Professional Development Presentations: Magee J, Brown DS , Dubbert J, Son S <i>DEI in the Clinic: What It Is, What It Is Not, and Why It Is Crucial for Clinical Success</i> Panel discussion. Virtual.	2023
White R, Brown DS , Alsberry V, Cox C, Edmunds C, Fields K, Jackson A. <i>The Evolution of the Black Physical Therapist.</i> Panel discussion. Virtual.	2023

White R, Brown DS , Hack L, Coleman D, Williams D, Boyd S, Thompson S, Campbell M, Jackson A. <i>The African American experience in health inequity: From the classroom to the clinic.</i> Panel discussion. Virtual.	2022
Brown DS. <i>Advice for aspiring academic leaders of color.</i> Educational session, Cultivating a Mentoring Culture Series. DeKalb, Illinois.	2021
Brown DS , Jackson K, Shackelford M, Barajas D. <i>Diversity, equity, and inclusion virtual workshop.</i> Workshop, Illinois Physical Therapy Association, Chicago, Illinois.	2020
Brown DS , Arquines C, Bala A, Kress S. <i>Student exposure to breadth and depth of patient care.</i> Panel discussion, Chicago Area Clinical Educators Forum. Chicago, Illinois.	2016
Brown DS , Blevins T, Sauer A, Henshue J, Pycio N, Carr E. <i>Healthcare Panel Discussion</i> Panel discussion, Rockford University. Rockford, Illinois.	2016
Research Poster Presentations: Brown DS , <i>Leadership styles of Doctor of Physical Therapy program directors</i> IPTA 2023 Revitalize Conference. Virtual.	2023
<u>NON PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS:</u> Invited Presentations: PhysicalTherapy.com <i>Beyond DEI: Cultivating a culture of belonging.</i>	2023
PhysicalTherapy.com <i>Leading with P.U.R.P.O.S.E.</i>	2023
PhysicalTherapy.com <i>Concepts of motivation in physical therapy education and clinical practice.</i>	2022
Bradley University Physical Therapy Program <i>Implicit bias: Our blindspots.</i>	2022
Georgia State University Doctor of Physical Therapy Program <i>Centering diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging into your curriculum.</i>	2022
Physical Therapy Learning Institute Annual Summit <i>After the seats are filled: Equity and inclusion.</i>	2022
Social Media Presentations: Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Mastering Conflict Resolution: Strategies for Finding Resolutions That Benefit All</i> https://open.spotify.com/episode/2SAZ5nNke8rluQBWowgPXX	2023

Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast <i>Building a Culture of Inclusion: The Importance of Psychological Safety with Julian Magee</i> https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/104-building-a-culture-of-inclusion-the-importance-of-psychological-safety-with-julian-magee	2023
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Becoming a Great Leader as a Student</i> https://youtu.be/iVkJU2cHqgs	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Getting More Value Out of Your Syllabus</i> https://youtu.be/3PawteUjGcs	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Practicing Self-Care</i> https://youtu.be/sfoz6QBZT5U	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>How to Get Great Recommendation Letters</i> https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/73-teach-me-something-tuesday-how-to-get-great-recommendation-letters-with-dr-dawn-brown	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>How to Overcome Imposter Syndrome in Physical Therapy School</i> https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/69-teach-me-something-tuesday-how-to-overcome-imposter-syndrome-in-physical-therapy-school-with-dr-dawn-brown	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Quiet Quitting in Physical Therapy</i> https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/68-teach-me-something-tuesday-quiet-quitting-in-physical-therapy-with-dr-dawn-brown	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Staying Motivated While in DPT School</i> https://youtu.be/cq8h4nVihq4	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast – Teach Me Something Tuesday <i>Recognizing Soft Skills as Essential Skills</i> https://youtube.com/shorts/SFIXftAsOC0?feature=share	2022
Healthcare Education Transformation Podcast <i>Belongingness in Clinical Education</i> https://healthcareeducationtransformationpodcast.libsyn.com/dr-ashley-poole-belongingness-in-clinical-education	2022
APTA Podcasts <i>I See Me in You</i> https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/news-publications/podcasts/2021/i-see-me-in-you	2020

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=PLEoSETnnyK2JxjYSiHBBskMzfl2MlmpI7&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=PLEoSETnnyK2JxjYSiHBBskMzfl2MlmpI7&index=4&t=6s>

Capstone Mentoring:

Faurie B, Goldman G, Murphy M, Salach M.
Entry-Level DPT student knowledge and confidence interpreting medical images: A scoping review
2022-2023

Purtell A. 2017-2018
Do interventions provided by a physical therapist for quadriceps strengthening facilitate return to sport for female collegiate gymnasts?

Idowu P. 2016-2017
The effectiveness of gluteal muscle strengthening in patients with hip osteoarthritis: A systematic review

Writing and Editorial Responsibilities:

Healthcare Education Transformation (HET) Podcast 2021-Pres
Co-host

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

Federal State Board of Physical Therapy 2015
National Physical Therapy Examination - Item Writer

CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES ORGANIZED:

Brown DS, Chevan J, Crawford S, Locke E, Matthews D, Nixon-Cave K, Nuciforo M,
*NEDIC Summit 2022: Building Partnerships, Creating Spaces and Developing Opportunities to
Increase Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Physical Therapy* 2022

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 Oversight Committee (appointed)	2022-Pres
Commissioner, National Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Commission	
Co-Founder DEI Consortium	2016-Pres
DEI Consortium Nominating Committee Chair	2016-2020
Member	2016-Pres

American Academy of Physical Therapy

Conference Planning Committee	2021-Pres
Leveling Up Initiative Facilitator	2021-Pres
Member	2016-Pres

National Association of Black Physical Therapists

Member	2021-Pres
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COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Leveling Up Initiative Facilitator 2021-Pres
Assisted with creating and facilitating workshops for middle school and high school students
throughout the nation to learn about healthcare career and strategies to succeed in school

<i>Volunteer for local middle and high schools, colleges and universities</i>	2016-Pres
Mentored students regarding a career in physical therapy	
<i>PT Moves Me Ambassador</i>	2021-2022
Assisted with recruiting the next generation of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants	
<i>Illinois Preparing Future Faculty of Color Committee</i>	2017-2022
Served as board member to plan and facilitate conferences to racially diversity the professoriate	
<i>APTA DEI Roundtable Discussion Planning Workgroup</i>	2019-2020
Focused on creating interactive content for members to discuss and operationalize plans to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion within the physical therapy profession.	
<i>DeKalb Community Resource Fair</i>	
Provided information and resources related to physical therapy	2015-2019
<i>Rock of Ages Baptist Church Health and Wellness Ministry</i>	2014-2018
Provided physical therapy screening and health advice to church members	
<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

Physical Therapy Admissions Committee	2022
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College

College of Health and Human Services Librarian Search Committee	2022
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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 PT Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Alliance	2020-2022
Faculty Liaison for the NIU DPT Program Student Organization	2016-2022

School

AHCD Awards and Scholarship Committee	2020-2022
Co-chair of the AHCD Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee	2020-2022
Clinical Faculty Personnel Committee	2020-2022

University

Health Information and Technology Center Building Committee	2021-2022
Board/Planning Member for the Illinois Preparing Future Faculty Committee	2019-2022
Black Faculty and Staff Association	2016-2022

HONORS AND AWARDS:

<i>IPTA 2023 Societal Impact Award</i> Illinois Physical Therapy Association	2023
<i>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Award (inaugural recipient)</i> Northwestern University Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences	2022
<i>Academic Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Richard A. Flournory Engagement Award</i> Northern Illinois University	2021
<i>Minority Faculty Development Scholarship Award</i> American Physical Therapy Association	2021
<i>Huskie Pride Award for Service</i> Northern Illinois University	2020
<i>Allied Health and Communicative Disorders Clinical Faculty Award</i> Northern Illinois University	2020
<i>Huskie Pride Award for Service</i> Northern Illinois University	2019
<i>Diversity Award for Excellence in Academic Equity</i> Northern Illinois University College of Health and Human Sciences	2018
<i>Most Valuable Professor Award</i> Northern Illinois University	2016

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT:

Emerging Faculty Leaders Program, Northern Illinois University	2021-2022
Clinical Leadership Development Program, ATI Physical Therapy	2010

CONTINUING EDUCATION ATTENDED: (last 5 years)

American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting	2023-2012
American Council of Academic Physical Therapy Education Leadership Conference	2023-2016
Illinois Physical Therapy Association Revitalize Conference	2023-2000
American Academy of Physical Therapy Annual Conference	2023-2016

Governors State University Center for Active Engagement and Scholarship:

Faculty Development Workshop: Empowering Transformation, Collaborating with Nature	2022
Culturally Responsive Teaching	2022
Trauma Informed Practice Series	2022
Taste of Physical Therapy Presentation Series	2022-2020
Musculoskeletal Through Orthopedic Practice Continuing Education Lecture Series	2020-2017

Northern Illinois University Teaching Effectiveness Institute:

Teaching With Classroom Technology	2022
Teaching Distracted Learners with James Lang	2022
Creating Communities of Hope	2021
Diversity Is Just the Beginning: Removing Barriers to Student Success in the Classroom	2020
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 2022

PHYT 6710 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar I
Co-instructor

PHYT 7730 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar III
Co-instructor

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

PHYT 7760 Interaction and Education for Patient Care
Co-instructor

PHYT 8792 Wellness and Human Performance
Co-instructor

PHYT 8804 Integrative Physical Therapy Seminar VI
Co-Instructor

Spring 2023

PHYT 6711 Patient Management II
Co-Instructor

PHYT 6712 Patient Management II Laboratory
Co-Instructor

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

PHYT 6724 Pharmacology for Physical Therapy
Instructor

