



ACADEMY ROUNDUP

The Official Newsletter for the APTA Academy of Education

A source of news, announcements, and upcoming events for physical therapy educators.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CSM 2025 | Call for Volunteers!



Volunteer as a Session Moderator

We seeking volunteers to assist as moderators for the Academy of Education sessions at CSM. The moderators' responsibilities include the following: introducing the speakers, assist with questions at the speakers' request, and ensuring the session ends on time.

[Volunteer](#)

Visit Us at CSM!



Come by Booth # 1725 to say hello and spin the wheel to win APTA Academy of Education merchandise during CSM! PLUS, don't miss these special Academy of Education events:

Date/Time	Event	Location
Feb. 13, 6:30 PM	Clinical Educators SIG Meeting	Convention CenterRoom 360
Feb. 13, 6:30 PM	Residency/Fellowship Educators SIG Meeting	Convention CenterRoom 340
Feb. 14, 6 AM	Anatomy Educators SIG Meeting	Hilton,Ballroom of the Americas D
Feb. 14, 6 AM	Physical Therapist Assistant EducatorsSIG Meeting	Hilton, Ballroom of the Americas EF

Feb. 14, 1 PM	Academic Faculty SIG Meeting	Hilton, Ballroom of the Americas A
Feb. 14, 1 PM	Scholarship of Education SIG Research Mentoring	Hilton, Meeting Room 338
Feb. 14, 3 PM	Cerasoli Lecture: Y'All Means All. Inclusivity & Belonging of ALL PTs, PTAs & Academic Programs	Convention Center Grand Ballroom A
Feb. 14, 6:30 PM	Annual Member Engagement and Business Meeting	Hilton Lanier Ballroom D-F

Important! Your CBE Input Needed

Competency-based educational frameworks are increasingly being discussed as a means to ensure that our graduates are prepared to meet knowledge, skill and behavior standards for entry-level practice.

The Academy of Education has created a short survey that seeks to gather your current experiences with competency-based education, explore your perceptions of its effectiveness, and identify perceived needs and challenges related to its implementation.

Your insights will contribute to shaping strategies for the Academy of Education to best support and advance our members in their roles as educators and support the development of competent, patient-centered physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

We appreciate your time and interest in completing this brief survey on competency-based education in physical therapy education. Thank you for sharing your valuable perspectives!

[Take the Survey](#)

Abstract Reviewers Needed for CSM 2026

Help create an excellent roster of speakers for CSM 2026 – volunteer to review abstracts. Volunteers will review 10-15 abstracts in April and May of 2025.

[Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Building Bridges: A Progressive Model of

Interprofessional Healthcare Education for Physical Therapy Students Webinar | February 6, 2025 | 7-8pm

Carlow Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program is pioneering a model of interprofessional education (IPE) aimed at fostering collaboration among several healthcare disciplines (PT, OT, SLP, and PA) and enhancing patient care outcomes.

Webinar participants will learn the benefits and challenges of implementing such a learning model. The purpose of this presentation is to provide a sample “road map” of how to incorporate progressive interprofessional learning opportunities in a PT/PTA program.

Speakers

- Kathleen (Katie) Shroyer, PT, DPT, CBIS, Director of Clinical Education
- Kunal Bhanot, PT, PhD, Chair, Department of Physical Therapy
- Peter Haywiser, PT, DPT, SCCE, Site Coordinator of Clinical Education
- Kelly Kraynick, SPT, Student

[Register](#)

FHEL Applications Due | March 1st

The Academy of Education's Fellowship in Higher Education Leadership provides current and aspiring leaders in physical therapy education programs with the skills and resources they need to be innovative, influential, and visionary leaders who can function within a rapidly evolving, politico-sociocultural environment.

Applications and nominations for the 52-week fellowship program close March 1. Accepted candidates will begin the fellowship in July and take part in three trimesters of coursework, a mentorship program, and a leadership project.

[Click here](#) to learn more about this award-winning fellowship.

[Apply Now!](#)

Admissions Network CSM Open House

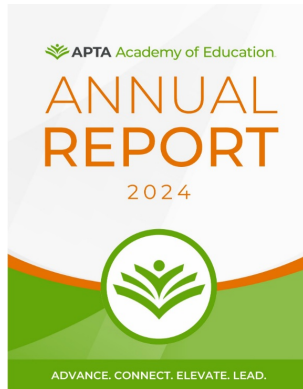
Greetings Admissions Network! We hope winter is treating you well. We are writing to invite you to an in-person open house style event at CSM in Houston.

We will be available from 10:15-10:45 am on Thursday 2/13/25 in the Hilton Americas, room 338.

Stop by to say hello, to share what admissions topics you might be interested in hearing about soon, or just to see each other in 3-D!

Hope to see you there,
The Admissions Network Team

2024 Annual Report Now Available



Discover what the APTA Academy of Education has been doing on your behalf in 2024!

[Read the report here](#)

Annual Membership Engagement and Business Meeting

Share your input, catch up with colleagues and learn what the Academy of Education has accomplished over the past year at its *Annual Membership Engagement and Business Meeting*.

The agenda will include bylaws changes, nominations, awards, and back by popular demand - table talks! Heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be available.

Learn more about the [Bylaws & Proposed Changes](#).

When:
Friday, February 14th

Time:
6:30-9:00 PM

Location:
Hilton Americas Lanier
Grand Ballroom D-F
Houston, TX



[View The Annual Meeting Agenda](#)

PTA Honor Society Nominations are Now Open Submit by March 1st

The Phi Tau Alpha Honor Society recognizes physical therapist assistant students who have not only demonstrated high academic standards, but have embodied the core values of the physical therapy profession.

Students meeting the requirements outlined below should contact their program faculty to determine the next steps for applying for possible induction into the honor society.



[View Requirements & Submit Nominations](#)

APTA CSM 2025: Register and Join One of our Pre-Conference Sessions!

CSM Pre-Conferences
**SIMULATING SUCCESS:
ENHANCED SIMULATION-BASED
EDUCATION DESIGN AND
OPERATIONAL INSIGHTS**

1-day Pre-Conference Course
Wednesday, February 12 | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM



Denise Romano
PT, MSPT

Matthew L. Bowman
PT, DPT, MSPT

Patti Reuther
MS, RN, CHSE


Lori Sprague
PHD, RN, CHSE

APTA Combined
Sections Meeting
Feb. 13-15 / Houston, TX

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CSM Pre-Conferences
**CAREER EVOLUTION:
NAVIGATING THE CLINICIAN TO
ACADEMICIAN JOURNEY**

1-day Pre-Conference Course
Wednesday, February 12 | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM



Kirsten Potter
PT, DPT, MS

Tricia Prokop
PT, EdD, MS, CSCS

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Registration for the Combined Sections Meeting (CSM) is now open! APTA CSM 2025 will be held February 13th - 15th in Houston, Texas. Be a part of the largest physical therapy conference! Join thousands of PTs, PTAs and students of physical therapy for programming and events you won't find anywhere else.

Join us for one of the Academy of Education's CSM pre-conference sessions. We look forward to welcoming you to Houston for an engaging conference with networking and innovative education sessions.

- [Career Evolution: Navigating the Clinician to Academician Journey](#)
- [Simulating Success: Enhanced Simulation-Based Education Design and Operational Insights](#)

[Register Today!](#)

[Book
Hotel](#)

Support Domestic Violence Awareness at CSM: Wear Purple on Thursday, February 13th

On February 13th at CSM, we invite you to wear purple in honor of Christa, a Houston resident and Academy of Education member, who tragically lost her life due to domestic violence. Christa was nine weeks pregnant and had two young children at home.

Show your support by wearing purple, purchasing purple ribbon pins, and helping raise awareness for domestic violence. All proceeds from the pins will go to the Houston Area Women's Center to support those affected by domestic violence. Together, we can make a difference.



[Learn More](#)

Clinical Education SIG Educational Initiatives



EDUCATION IMPACT
INITIATIVE

As part of the Academy of Education's Education Impact Initiative (EI2), the CE SIG is offering additional opportunities to sponsor CESIG members as follows:

- **Three attendance scholarships – up to \$1000 for ELC (applications will open in May of 2025)**
- **Three registrations for a CCIP course – up to \$500 (members can apply by clicking on the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/xV5cVfP2cz>)**
- **Three ELC pre-conference course registrations – up to \$500 (application will open in May of 2025)**
- **Three CSM pre-conference course registrations – up to \$500 (application opened at ELC '24 and the deadline was 11/8/24)**

The SIG also sought out nominations at ELC '24 for Outstanding SCCE/CI. Recipients of these awards will be recognized at CSM. These individuals will receive funding for registration to CSM/ELC up to \$750.

Education Research Consulting Session at CSM

The SOE SIG is hosting our second education research consulting session:

Date:

Friday, February 14th

Time:

1pm-3pm

Location:

Hilton Americas, Meeting Room 338
Houston, TX

Description:

This is a short term mentoring session. We will have consultants with experience in a variety of areas of educational research and you can use this time to meet with them and discuss your ideas, questions etc. The room will be set up in round tables and the consultants will have signs indicating areas of expertise.

We are currently seeking both consultants and participants.

If you are interested in being a **consultant** please sign below.

*You do not have to be an "expert" in your field, you simply need to have SOME experience with conducting and presenting/publishing educational research.

If you are a **researcher** looking for guidance, advice, or short term mentoring, please sign up below.

**Consultant Sign
Up**

**Researcher Sign
Up**

If you have any questions about the event, reach out to:

SOE SIG chair Sarah Gilliland: chair-SOESIG@aptaeducation.org

Call for Volunteers! APTA PTA Council Representative

The Academy of Education is seeking a PTA member to serve as its representative to the APTA PTA Council. The term is January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025.

Duties include:

- Engage members across the association, increasing member value.
- Collaborate with other council representatives to highlight best practices and empower success.
- Meet quarterly as a council.
- Select delegates to the House of Delegates.
- Select council steering group and chair through the annual elections process.
- Participate in council activities at the APTA Leadership Congress.
- Implement council initiatives at the component level.
- Seek opportunities for involvement within their component.
- Serve as ambassadors for their component and APTA.

Apply Now!

2025 Physical Therapy Faculty Development Workshops

The Academy is excited to offer two versions of the workshop this year: virtual in March and in-person in July.

 REGISTER NOW



Spots are filling up fast!

[Register for Virtual](#)

[Register for In-person](#)

SIG SPOTLIGHT



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Anatomy Educators
Special Interest Group

The AESIG serves as a forum for those teaching anatomy in physical therapy (PT and PTA) educational programs. We seek to foster awareness of best practices in anatomy education and to provide anatomy educators with tools to enhance their work. Developing relationships with others teaching anatomy content can provide mentorship to novice faculty, promote research collaboration, and facilitate the exchange of ideas. We strive to increase awareness of available resources, and active involvement in the Academy and other anatomy-related professional associations.

AE SIG Objectives:

- Provide an online network for the exchange of information related to physical therapy anatomy education.

- Foster awareness of best-practice and teaching tools available to physical therapy anatomy educators to enhance the integration and application of the foundational sciences into the development of clinical reasoning skills and physical therapy practice.
- Coordinate efforts with existing anatomy professional organizations to ensure efficient use of available resources and the dissemination of education-related information and evidence-based anatomical sciences research germane to educators in our field.
- Foster mentoring relationships between experienced and novice faculty teaching anatomy in physical therapy education programs.
- Facilitate collaborative efforts in anatomy and anatomy education-related research among physical therapy anatomy educators.

For more information on the AE SIG, please get in touch with the Chair: [Will Conrad, PT, DPT, EdD, MS](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS



Interprofessional Education Collaborative
Connecting health professions for better care

The [Interprofessional Education Collaborative](#) (IPEC) will hold its next Institute, [IPEC Competencies: Fostering Innovation Through Interprofessional Collaboration](#), virtually on February 26th.

The IPEC Faculty Development Institute is a unique one-day, online interactive professional development experience that brings together leading healthcare speakers and experts. Participants will engage with national leaders in interprofessional education for collaborative practice (IPECP) and competency-based education (CBE). Faculty and leaders responsible for developing, implementing, and assessing campus-wide IPECP initiatives are encouraged to attend.

The [February 2025 IPEC Institute](#) will feature presentations on IPECP and CBE content, leading speakers from around the country, opportunities to discuss IPECP and CBE issues and possible solutions, and strategies for embedding IPECP and CBE at your institution.

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QUICK CLICKS



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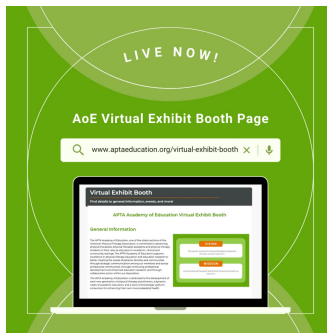
Congratulations to the 2024 Award Winners

[Learn More](#)



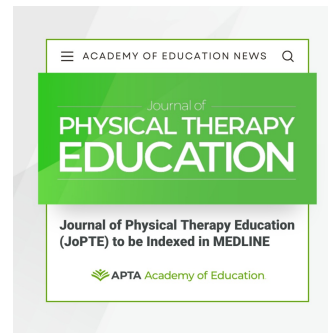
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