



University of Findlay

Doctor of Physical Therapy

**Traditional DPT Program
Weekend PTA to DPT Bridge Program**

January 15, 2021

Dear Site Coordinator of Clinical Education and Clinical Instructors,

Despite the challenges of the pandemic, you have accomplished much with great compassion, creativity, and generosity. The University of Findlay's PT programs are blessed to have such an amazing group of clinical faculty! Our DCE of the traditional program, Dr. Allison Durham has taken on another position in Bowling Green in order to be closer with her family. However, we are pleased to announce that Dr. Stefanie Anderson is her replacement for the traditional DPT program; her email is andersons4@findlay.edu. Dr. Anderson shares a passion for clinical education serving as an APTA Certified Clinical Instructor for seven years before becoming a faculty member at the University of Findlay. She has enjoyed the transition to the role of DCE and hopes to continue to support the clinical growth of future students and facilitate relationships with our clinical partners. In addition, our newest faculty member is Dr. Sean McBride. He has earned his Bachelor's degree and DPT at Walsh University and is a PhD candidate at Nova Southeastern University. His research interest is in multi-segment foot modelling and the kinetics of the midfoot and ankle joints.

The DPT program **2020 accomplishments** have included the following:

- On July 14, 2020, Dr. Allison Durham and Dr. Deborah George conducted a **OPTA Lunch & Learn webinar**, entitled *Emotional Resilience and the Anxious Student, Part A*.
- **The Fall Grand Rounds** was held on October 13, 2020 with the speaker, Dr. Nick Vlasic, PT, DPT, TPS, who presented *Operation Rehab Storm—The Assault on Chronic Pain: Preventing the Transition from Acute Pain to Chronic Pain* through an online format.
- The **Integrated Clinical Experience (ICE)** course series continued at Fox Run Manor in the Fall of 2020. Due to the pandemic, it was conducted with the use of ZOOM.
- Dr. Deborah George has continued her missionary work at the **Institut Supérieur des Sciences Programme de Thérapie Physique in Haiti**. Her teaching of rehabilitation technology continued through a combination of asynchronous and synchronous presentations.
- Multiple **publications** including the following:
 - George D. Editorial. Smart wheelchairs – an opportunity to maximize human potential. **Journal of Novel Physiotherapy**. April 7, 2020; 10(2).
 - George D. Editorial. **Global Health - An Online Journal for the Digital Age**. February 2020; 7(1).
 - George D. Cultural sensitivity through a short-term mission trip. **Global Health - An Online Journal for the Digital Age**. February 2020; 7(1).
 - Huber A. Retrospective view of patellofemoral pain classification subcategories in a marathon runner: a case report. **Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Practice Magazine**. 2020 (in press).
 - Van Zant RS, W Colchagoff, M Kunish, T Kunz, M Marshall, S McDermott, T Myers, B Sunga. Metabolic and cardiovascular effects of body weight support treadmill

walking in healthy adults. *Cardiopulmonary Physical Therapy Journal*. 2020 (in press).

- Multiple **presentations** at the National and State levels by our faculty and students:
 - Day J, Gratton M, Pate J, Stewart B, Thompson T, York C, Schlessman A, Recorded Lectures: Survey of Student Use and Perception Before and During COVID **Excel@Teaching**, Findlay, OH. August 11, 2020.
 - George D, Bayliss J, Crompton J, Durham A, Gallivan S, Hawkins C, Wright A, Weaver J, Berg-Carramusa C, Both A, English L, Hofmeyer E, Lee K, McCallum C, Quinn SB. (Poster) Needs Assessment of Clinical Educators. **APTA NEXT Conference**, Phoenix, AZ Accepted for June 4, 2020; *cancelled due to covid19*.
 - George D, Durham A. (Online Platform) Emotional Resilience & the Anxious Student. **Cleveland Clinic Foundation**, Cleveland, OH, April 21, 2020
 - Huber A. (Platform) Bridging the Gap Towards Wellness: Can the Experts in Human Movement be the Drivers?" **Transform 2020 Ohio's Premier PT Conference**. Accepted for April 24, 2020; *cancelled due to covid19*.
 - Huber A, Colchagoff W, Blubaugh J, Keller J, Manocchio C, Darnall J, Craig C. (Poster) Effect of Smartcell Matting on Estimated Ground Reaction Force during In-Field Volleyball Jumps. **LEAP OPTA Conference**, Columbus, OH, September 25, 2020.
 - Huber A. (Poster) Retrospective View of Patellofemoral Pain Classification Subcategories in a Marathon Runner: A Case Report. **LEAP OPTA Conference**, Columbus, OH, September 25, 2020.
 - Huber A. (Workshop) Creating Community in Online Learning. Center for Teaching **Excellence Summer Workshop Series**, Innovative Teaching in a Virtual Environment, Findlay, Ohio, June 2, 2020- June 8, 2020 and July 21, 2020- July 27, 2020.
 - Huber A. Creating Community in Online Learning. **Excel@Teaching**, Findlay, OH. August 11, 2020.
 - Patterson JJ, JL Cruse, RS Van Zant. (Poster) Post-Operative Total Knee Arthroplasty Rehabilitation of a Patient Following Pre-Operative Cryothermal Analgesia for Improved Pain Control. **LEAP OPTA Conference**, Columbus, OH, September 25, 2020. (*Also, in press*).
 - Schroeder N. (Platform) Nutrition Fact or Fiction: Providing Evidence-Based Education. **Transform 2020 Ohio's Premier PT Conference**. Accepted for April 24, 2020; *cancelled due to covid19*.
 - Schroeder N. (Poster) Umbilical Mesenchymal Stem Cell Injection: Does the treatment result in functional gains?. **LEAP OPTA Conference**, Columbus, OH. September 25, 2020.
 - Schroeder N. Nutritional Considerations to Improve Athletic Performance. **OPTA Lunch and Learn webinar**. April 14, 2020.

Please mark your calendars for the **upcoming continuing education opportunities**:

1. **Spring 2021 Grand Rounds** are planned with Nancy Malay, PT, DPT, MEd, presenting *Stepping On and Beyond for Balance and Falls Prevention*; **March 23, 2021** from 11:30 to 12:30pm.
2. **Research Forum** will be held on **May 6, 2021** from 4:00-7:00pm; the forum showcases platform and poster presentations by the DPT students of the Class of 2021.
3. Upcoming **Lunch & Learn through APTA**, entitled *Emotional Resilience, Part 2* is planned **May 11, 2021** from 12:00-1:00pm, presented by Stefanie Anderson, PT, DPT, OMT-C,

DCE; Amy Both, PT, DPT, MHS, DCE; Deborah George, PT, PhD, MS, DCE; and Nicole R. Schneider, Director of OAI. This presentation is supported by the Northwest Ohio Clinical Education Consortium.

For online ZOOM presentations, make sure to individually register; we need individual emails in order to demonstrate attendance & send the associated quiz for CEUs.

“The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.”— **Ralph Waldo Emerson**. When we set out to help others, we hope to make a difference. Thank you for being the difference to our students. We appreciate the continued compassion, support, and guidance that you offer our students. Please let us know if there are ways in which we can provide additional support for our partnership. Thank you for partnering with us!

Sincerely,

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