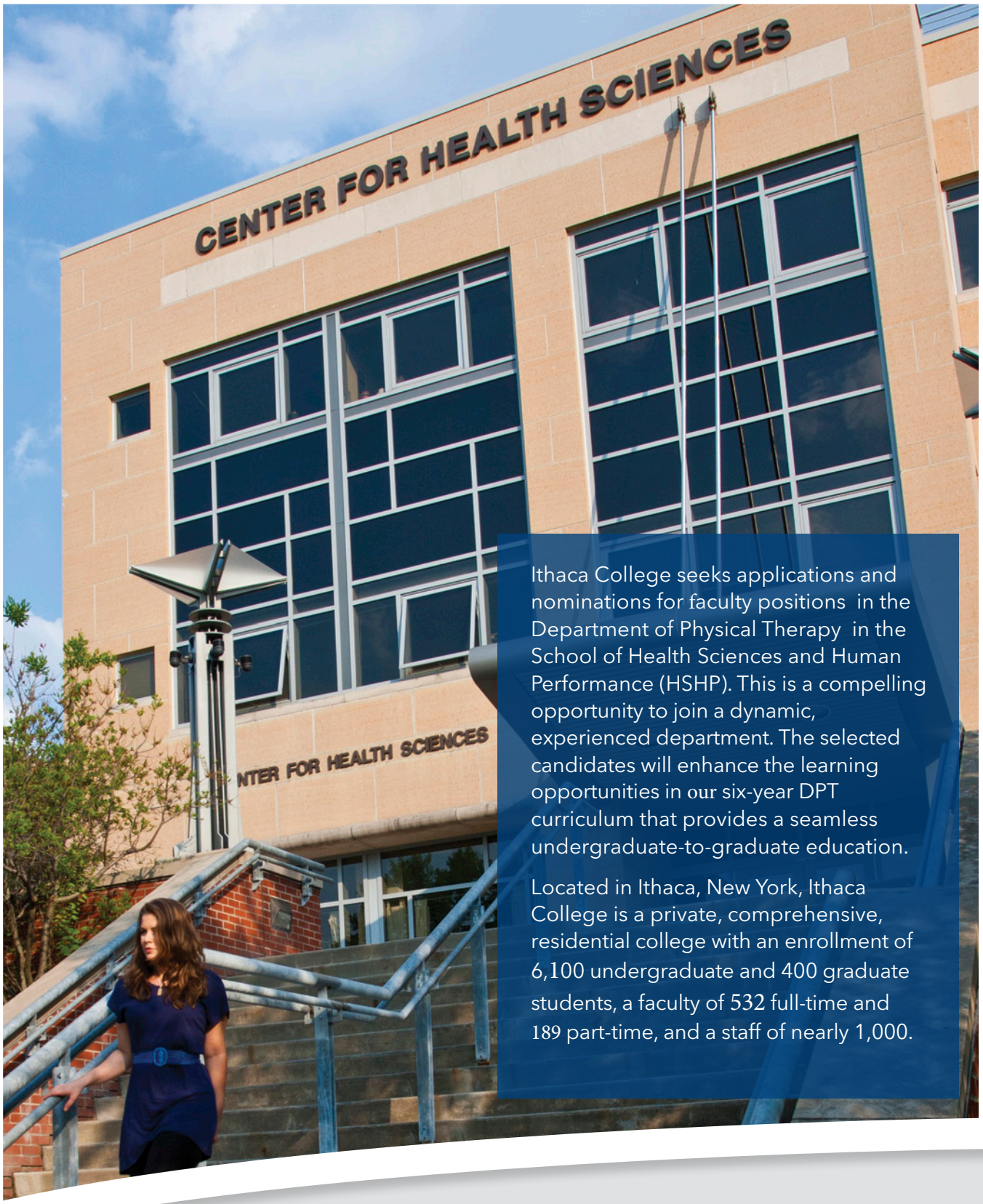


Ithaca College seeks applications and nominations for faculty positions in the Department of Physical Therapy in the School of Health Sciences and Human Performance (HSHP). This is a compelling opportunity to join a dynamic, experienced department. The selected candidates will enhance the learning opportunities in our six-year DPT curriculum that provides a seamless undergraduate-to-graduate education.

Located in Ithaca, New York, Ithaca College is a private, comprehensive, residential college with an enrollment of 6,100 undergraduate and 400 graduate students, a faculty of 532 full-time and 189 part-time, and a staff of nearly 1,000.

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ITHACA COLLEGE PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT MISSION

The mission of Ithaca College's physical therapy department is to graduate physical therapists prepared for autonomous practice who provide compassionate, evidence-based, ethical, legal and culturally competent care to maximize the function, health and wellness of their patients, clients, and society. Our program promotes APTA core values and prepares graduates to become life-long learners.

ABOUT THE PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT

Program

Ithaca College's physical therapy program is one of the oldest and most prestigious in the country. To meet the growing responsibilities and demands of this profession, we offer a six-year doctorate program. The curriculum, based in experiential learning opportunities, results in a bachelor's degree in clinical health studies and a professional doctorate in physical therapy. By the end of our program, students are well prepared for the clinical, managerial, and educational roles of a physical therapy practitioner.

Admission to the D.P.T. program is highly competitive and occurs in the freshman year. The physical therapy curriculum provides a strong liberal arts and natural science educational foundation upon which the professional curriculum is built. The first three years are grounded in liberal arts to enhance a student's intellectual curiosity and provide the critical thinking skills needed to meet the challenge of independent physical therapy practice. In addition to taking core coursework in the sciences, students explore other disciplines through a required minor and the fulfillment of the college's integrative core curriculum. Following the junior year, students move into the professional phase of the program, immersing themselves in the physical

therapy curriculum including dissection-based anatomy and examination and evaluation courses in the practice patterns of the profession. Coursework is complemented by integrating an on campus physical therapy clinic and clinical affiliations nationwide. A low student-faculty ratio ensures that our excellent faculty have ample opportunity to help students focus on their training.

Faculty

The Ithaca College Physical Therapy Department has a well-qualified faculty with 19 permanent core faculty positions. The faculty has extensive teaching experience, clinical expertise, scholarly activity and leadership roles in the profession. New faculty are provided with mentorship and professional development opportunities.





Facilities

The department has exceptional facilities including: a 2,700-square foot cadaver anatomy lab, a 3,000-square foot movement analysis lab, a 1,500-square foot multipurpose teaching/research space and a simulation lab that is currently being developed. These highlighted spaces are in addition to our teaching laboratories and lecture halls, including a fully functioning 4,800 square foot outpatient occupational and physical therapy clinic on campus, which allows faculty and students to collaborate while providing direct patient care. In addition to on-campus facilities, the department also collaborates with an orthopedic residency and spine fellowship at the regional medical center and works in interprofessional teams with area geriatric and pediatric facilities.

THE SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

The department of physical therapy is housed in the School of Health Sciences and Human Performance (HSHP). HSHP is committed to advancing health and well being to make a difference in peoples' lives.

HSHP currently enrolls over 1,400 full-time students in 14 undergraduate degree programs and seven graduate programs. Graduate education thrives in the school, with HSHP offering the largest number of graduate programs of all of Ithaca's divisions.

The Ithaca campus houses clinics in athletic training, faculty/staff wellness, occupational and physical therapy, movement analysis, and speech and hearing as well as an augmentative and alternative communication lab.

Students in HSHP have myriad opportunities to apply the knowledge and skills they have developed in the classroom. Each year more than 650 HSHP

students complete field experiences as part of their academic program. The importance of experiential learning is demonstrated by HSHP's affiliations with approximately 1,000 sites and organizations, located throughout the United States and abroad, where students complete both fieldwork and internships. Annual faculty-led study abroad gives students additional opportunities for a global experience. Of special note are the college's and school's efforts to build relationships with several premier universities in China.

A partnership highlight is the college 40-year relationship with Longview, an Ithacare Community, which features intergenerational programming and the sharing of services. The Center for Life Skills, a center emphasizing the team approach to health care, is housed at Longview. This adult residential facility is located less than a mile from the college. Faculty, staff, and students in HSHP support many community service activities as well and routinely volunteer at a host of organizations and facilities in the city of Ithaca and its surrounding areas.

HSHP is committed to increasing diversity among faculty, staff, and students. There is an ongoing effort to increase the learning community's cultural competency and awareness of cultural differences, especially as they relate to caregiving.

In March 2009, the college applied for and received a charter for a chapter of the Alpha Eta Society (AES). Founded in 1975, this national scholastic honor society for the allied health professions promotes and recognizes significant scholarship, leadership, and contributions to the field.



ABOUT ITHACA COLLEGE

Ithaca College strives to become the standard of excellence for residential comprehensive colleges by fostering intellect, creativity, and character in an active, student-centered learning community.

Ithaca College has long provided liberal arts students with a practical understanding of life and careers, just as it has imbued students pursuing professional degrees with the core values and intellectual framework needed to pursue learning beyond the scope of their fields.

A 11:1 student-faculty ratio allows for a substantial degree of individual attention, yet the college provides a diversity of educational opportunities generally found at larger institutions. The five schools offer more than 100 degree programs ranging from biochemistry to business administration, journalism to jazz, and philosophy to psychology. Bachelor's and master's degrees are awarded, as well as a doctorate in physical therapy.

An Ithaca education emphasizes active learning, collaborative student-faculty research, and development of the whole student. The college places great



emphasis on experiential and hands-on learning, and in the process offers Ithaca students the opportunity to learn in environments outside of the typical academic setting. These opportunities exist both in the Finger Lakes region and in Ithaca-affiliated sites in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Los Angeles. Study abroad is available via the college's London Center and through programs in several dozen other countries.

The college is predominantly residential, with nearly 70 percent of students living on campus. Ithaca's students hail from 48 states, three U.S. territories, and 53 foreign countries. They are highly engaged, participating in campus media, over 30 musical ensembles, theater, and dance groups, more than 150 student clubs and organizations, 25 NCAA Division III athletic teams, a broad offering of intramural and club sports, and numerous com-munity service opportunities. This makes for a rich and integrated learning experience and an energetic environment.

NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS

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