

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL  
**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**  
**REQUEST FOR DECISION**

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**PRESENTED BY:** Gordon Hill, Chair, Academic Programs Committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** January 22, 2009

**SUBJECT:** **Termination of the Bachelor of Physical Therapy degree program**

**DECISION REQUESTED:**

*It is recommended:*

That Council approve termination of the BSc Physical Therapy degree program, effective immediately.

**PURPOSE:**

The Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy (BScPT) degree program is an academic program at the University of Saskatchewan. Terminations of academic programs are approved by University Council..

**SUMMARY**

The Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy degree program was replaced in 2006 by the Master of Physical Therapy degree program. At the October, 2008 Convocation, the last BScPT students received their degrees and the School of Physical Therapy agreed to proceed with termination of the Bachelor's level degree program.

At its January 13, 2009 meeting, the Academic Programs Committee agreed to recommend approval of this program termination.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Report form for Program Termination  
Memo from Bill Albritton, Dean of Medicine

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## Report Form for Program Termination

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Department: School of Physical Therapy                      College: Medicine  
Program(s) to be deleted: B.Sc. Physical Therapy  
Effective date of termination: October 27, 2008

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**1. List reasons for termination and describe the background leading to this decision.**

The Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy has been replaced by the Master of Physical Therapy Degree (approved February, 2006). As of Oct 25, 2008, there are no longer any students in the BScPT program.

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**2. Technical information.**

2.1 Courses offered in the program and faculty resources required for these courses.

None from this point forward.

2.2 Other resources (staff, technology, physical resources, etc) used for this program.

n/a - these have been transferred to the MPT

2.3 Courses to be deleted, if any.

PTH 205.3	Cardiorespiratory System I
PTH 222.3	Therapeutic Movement I
PTH 223.3	Therapeutic Movement II
PTH 225.3	Foundations of Exercise and Work Physiology for Physical Therapists
PTH 236.3	Clinical Kinesiology I
PTH 240.3	Electro Physical Agents in Physical Therapy
PTH 264.3	Introduction to Physical Assessment and Treatment Planning
PTH 276.6	Clinical Applications of Basic Skills
PTH 283.3	Physical Therapist as Health Educator
PTH 301.3	Musculo Skeletal Assessment and Treatment I
PTH 302.3	Musculo Skeletal Assessment and Treatment II
PTH 303.3	Nervous System I
PTH 304.3	Nervous System II
PTH 306.3	Cardio Respiratory System II
PTH 308.3	Lifespan Nutrition and Pharmacology in Physical Therapy
PTH 311.3	Musculo Skeletal System I
PTH 312.3	Musculo Skeletal System II
PTH 337.3	Clinical Kinesiology II
PTH 341.3	Electro Physical Agents in Physical Therapy II
PTH 367.3	Clinical Assessment
PTH 378.12	Clinical Practicum I
PTH 403.3	Research Methodology

PTH 421.3	Exercise Testing and Prescription for Special Populations
PTH 439.3	Therapeutic Exercise Manual Therapy and Integrated
Management	Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy
PTH 440.3	Advanced Neurological and Cardiorespiratory Systems
PTH 462.15	Clinical Practicum II
PTH 490.3	Professional Issues

2.4 Number of students presently enrolled.

None

2.5 Number of students enrolled and graduated over the last five years.

2008 - 30

2007 - 30

2006 - 27

2005 - 30

2004 - 30

Total of 147

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### 3. Impact of the termination.

#### Internal

3.1 What if any impact will this termination have on undergraduate and graduate students? How will they be advised to complete their programs?

n/a

3.2 What impact will this termination have on faculty and teaching assignments?

n/a - these have been transferred to the MPT

3.3 Will this termination affect other programs, departments or colleges?

No

3.4 If courses are also to be deleted, will these deletions affect any other programs?

n/a - these have been transferred to the MPT

3.5 Is it likely, or appropriate, that another department or college will develop a program to replace this one?

No

3.6 Is it likely, or appropriate, that another department or college will develop courses to replace the ones deleted?

No

3.7 Describe any impact on research projects.

None

3.8 Will this deletion affect resource areas such as library resources, physical facilities, and information technology?

n/a - these have been transferred to the MPT

3.9 Describe the budgetary implications of this deletion.

None

#### External

3.10 Describe any external impact (e.g. university reputation, accreditation, other institutions, high schools, community organizations, professional bodies).

After 2010, the B.Sc.P.T. will no longer meet the accreditation requirements for Physical Therapy programs.

3.11 Is it likely or appropriate that another educational institution will offer this program if it is deleted at the University of Saskatchewan?

No

#### Other

3.12 Are there any other relevant impacts or considerations?

No

3.12 Please provide any statements or opinions received about this termination.

The termination of the B.Sc.P.T., has been approved by the Faculty Council of the School of Physical Therapy (Oct 17, 2008).

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Academic Programs Committee  
**FROM:** William L. Albritton, Dean  
**DATE:** January 14, 2009  
**RE:** BScPT Program – School of Physical Therapy  
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I am writing to support the termination of the Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy (BScPT) program. Presently, there are no students enrolled in the BScPT; the program has been replaced by the Master of Physical Therapy Program.

Thank you.



William L. Albritton, MD, PhD, FRCP(C)

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cc: Professor A. Busch