

# **PT 863 TA Requirements (Total of 30 hours) 2017-18**

**September 1 – November 30, 2017**

Course Description:

## **PT-863 (4CR) Gerontology**

Students will gain knowledge and skill in applying assessment principles related to representative conditions common in older adults. Changes in musculoskeletal status, exercise capacity and neuromotor control with aging are included. Students will gain understanding of the need for advocacy and education in the contexts in which physical therapists work with older clients. Social and cognitive factors that may affect the motor function of older adults are discussed. End of life and palliative care issues are included. Lab component. Pre-requisite: successful completion of PT882 or approval from the PT Program.

### **1. Assistance with student academic performance evaluation:**

With training and guidance from the course coordinator, the TA will be responsible for grading student assignments, quizzes, and written examinations.

#### **Essential Skills**

- Strong written skills and ability to offer feedback to enable student improvement;
- Ability to document student performance and mark assignments/exams in a timely fashion;
- Willingness to learn the student internet/web platforms (e.g. 'Rehab Central');
- Willingness to track the content of the course leading up to any evaluation; and
- Ability and willingness to accept constructive feedback from the course coordinator.

### **2. Delivery of clinical skills laboratory component and its evaluation**

The TA will assist the course coordinator with logistical support for the laboratory sessions.

- Ability to attend the laboratory sessions of the course;
- Strong organizational skills; and
- Ability and willingness to accept constructive feedback from the course coordinator.