PHYSICAL THERAPY SCHOOL
INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

1. How did you become interested in Physical Therapy as a career?
2. How would you deal with a patient who did not do their exercises?
3. How would you handle a situation if you disliked the patient? Do you think patients receive quality care regardless of the physical therapist's feelings?
4. What do you think is the biggest issue in Physical Therapy?
5. Rank your self-confidence on a scale of 1-10. Rank your self-esteem.
6. Describe a challenging problem you faced on one of your clinical rotations. How did you solve the problem?
7. Describe some of your most challenging and enjoyable observations?
8. What observation in a PT setting has had the most influence on your decision to become a Physical Therapist?
9. What do you know about our hospital/organization? About our community?
10. Tell me about a time when you had to handle an irate physician, co-worker or patient. How did you handle the situation and what was the result?
11. What is your most memorable experience working with a patient?
12. Describe your work or volunteer experience in physical therapy.
13. Where do you see yourself in five years? Do you plan on specializing? In what area?
14. With what population do you anticipate wanting to work?
15. What would you do if a patient came in 3 days in a row, saw three different therapists, and then came to you complaining how nothing they did was working?
16. In your opinion, what kind of a profession is Physical Therapy?
17. How did the changes in health care in recent years (HMOs, managed care) affect the field of PT?
18. What made you choose physical therapy over other health professions?
19. What will you do if you do not get into the PT program?
20. What skills and strengths do you possess that are essential to being a good Physical Therapist?
21. What are your weaknesses?
22. What can you contribute to the field of PT?
23. What communication skills are important to a Physical Therapist?
24. What ethical standards will you promote in your work as a Physical Therapist?
25. The PT program is known to be a very academically intense program. How will you handle the stress?
26. What life experiences have you had that have made you a better person?
27. What accomplishments are you most proud of?