

# UND SMHS Strategic Plan Individual Unit Report for 2020

## GOAL 2 for Physical Therapy

### LEARNING

**One UND Strategic Plan Goal 2: Increase undergraduate, graduate, and professional graduation rates.**

**UND SMHS Strategic Plan Goal 2: SMHS Units will expand their current systems of student support to ensure continued high graduation rates and improve student satisfaction with the overall quality of their education.**

### 1. Describe if/how your unit has addressed this goal.

Part of the department's annual assessment plan is to report graduation rates for DPT students and National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) first time and overall pass rates. Student satisfaction is assessed through multiple survey methods to different groups: 1. Pre-Physical Therapy students complete a survey on satisfaction of advising appointments. 2. Faculty obtain SELFI course specific data for each course taught in the professional DPT program. 3. Surveys of year 1, year 3, and alumni (one-year post-graduation) to assess the curriculum, faculty performance, and overall rating of the professional program. 4. Small group listening sessions with year 3 students prior to final clinical experience.

### 2. Describe how your efforts are being assessed.

Graduation rates for 2020 have been calculated and will be fully available after August graduation. We have deployed surveys this summer and are awaiting final responses and analysis. Students may complete the NPTE in April or July. We obtain performance data on NPTE first time and overall passing rates. Data is assessed by comparison to national data where available. Student surveys are reviewed for differences greater than 10% from previous years and comments are qualitatively assessed for trends.

### 3. Describe how your unit analyzed these data and what assessments were determined.

Our graduation rate this year was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This resulted in a 94% graduation rate for May (49/52 students). The remaining three students are on track for August graduation, making the overall graduation rate 100% within the timeframe used by our accrediting body, CAPTE. The annual assessment surveys have been distributed to year 1 students, alumni, and we are collecting data through our 5 year alumni survey. Survey results will be analyzed and ready for reporting this fall. Due to COVID-19, the April administration of the NPTE was delayed until May. There were 29/52 students that registered and completed the exam. All 29 were successful. The remaining 23 students will complete the NPTE in July with reporting in mid-August.

### 4. Describe how your unit will implement any further changes and what barriers may exist.

The department is in the process of completing a curriculum revision. A task force has developed syllabi and a working strawman for the new curriculum with an anticipated transition step in 2021 and final complete implementation in 2022. The department is planning methods to implement a structured remediation program and peer mentoring program.

PROVIDE A RATING OF YOUR PROGRESS ON THIS GOAL:  On Track;  Delayed;  Behind

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**Additional Information on Goal 2 (optional):**

Insert any additional information here.