

2026 Honors & Awards Recipients



Catherine Worthingham Fellow of the American Physical Therapy Association

Sandra Billinger, PT, PhD, FAPTA

Andrea Crunkhorn, PT, DPT, FAPTA

Sharon Dunn, PT, PhD, OCS, FAPTA
Board-Certified Orthopaedic Clinical Specialist

Ann Marie Flores, PT, PhD, FAPTA

David Logerstedt, PT, MPT, PhD

Mark Paterno, PT, PhD, MBA, SCS
Board-Certified Sports Clinical Specialist

Daniel Rhon, PT, DPT, DSc, PhD, OCS
Board-Certified Clinical Specialist in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy
Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists

Yasser Salem, PT, MAPT, PhD

Kimberly Topp, PT, PhD

John H. P. Maley Lecture Award

Chad Cook, PT, PhD, MBA, FAPTA

Lucy Blair Service Award

Kathryn Brown, PT, MS, NCS
Board-Certified Neurologic Clinical Specialist

Roy Film, PT, DPT, MPT, OCS
Board-Certified Orthopaedic Physical Therapist
Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists

Jeremy Foster, PTA

Michael Geelhoed, PT, DPT

Marcie Harris-Hayes, PT, DPT, MSci

Emily Herndon, PT, DPT
Certified Lymphedema Therapist

Lisa Johnston, PT, DPT, MS

Maria Jones, PT, PhD

Matthew Mesibov, PT, GCS
Board-Certified Geriatric Clinical Specialist

Aimee Perron, PT, DPT, NCS
Board-Certified Neurologic Clinical Specialist

Leiselle Pilgrim, PT, DPT, EdD, MPH

Jennifer Ryan, PT, DPT, MS

Arie Van Duijn, PT, MSPT, EdD

Helen Hislop Award for Outstanding Contributions to Professional Literature

David Sinacore, PT, PhD, FAPTA

Henry O. and Florence P. Kendall Practice Award

Paras Goel, PT, DPT, MBA, MEd, GCS
Board-Certified Geriatric Clinical Specialist

Marilyn Moffat Leadership Award

Jennifer Green-Wilson, PT, EdD, MBA

Societal Impact Award

Paras Goel, PT, DPT, MBA, MEd, GCS
Board-Certified Geriatric Clinical Specialist

Preeti Oza, PT, MSPT, PhD

Humanitarian Award

Thomas Fischer, PT

Eugene Michels New Investigator Award

Kristan Leech, PT, DPT, PhD

Trevor Lentz, PT, PhD, MPH

Jacqueline Palmer, PT, DPT, PhD

Marian Williams Award for Research in Physical Therapy

Karin Gravare Silbernagel, PT, ATC, PhD, FAPTA

Jules M. Rothstein Golden Pen Award for Scientific Writing

Kathleen Mangione, PT, PhD, FAPTA

Dorothy E. Baethke-Eleanor J. Carlin Award for Excellence in Academic Teaching

Jason Craig, PT

BJ Lehecka, PT, DPT, PhD

Signe Brunnström Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching

Jonathan Bray, PT, DPT, EdD, MS

Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists

Margaret L. Moore Award for Outstanding New Academic Faculty Member

Abigail Anderson, PT, DPT, PhD

Outstanding Physical Therapist Assistant Educator

Beverly Labosky, PTA, MEd, BS

Andrew Wilcox, PTA, PhD, MHA

Outstanding Research Award

Shane McClinton, PT, DPT, PhD

Outstanding Physical Therapist Resident Award

Chloe Artrip, PT, NCS

Board-Certified Neurologic Clinical Specialist

Mason Myers, PT, DPT

Outstanding Physical Therapist Fellow Award

Andreas Remis, PT, DPT, OCS, SCS

Board-Certified Clinical Specialist in Orthopaedic and Sports Physical Therapy

Outstanding Physical Therapist/Physical Therapist Assistant Team Award

Zeeshan Bhimani, PT, BSPT, MHS

Rohit Gaikwad, PT

George France, PTA

Mary McMillan Scholarship Awards

Rachel Burba, SPTA

Jared Mattley, SPTA

Kaleb Reilly, SPT

Jade Vella-Wright, SPT
Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist

Sophie Willihnganz, SPT

Zepei Xie, SPT, BS

Access and Opportunity Scholarship – Faculty Development

Carla Huggins, PT, DPT

Access and Opportunity Scholarship – Student

Emiliano Chirigliano, SPT

Porfirio Garcia-Hernandez, SPT

Hermes Gomez, SPT

Brooke Hadley, SPTA

Elisiah Jones, SPT

Jonathan Morrow, SPT

Yousef Tamimi, SPT, BS

Dimensions of Leadership Pathways Grant

Michael Robinson, PT, DPT, DHSc

Outstanding Student Scholarship

Sophie Willihnganz, SPT

Kaegan Robertson, SPTA

Federal Government Affairs Leadership Award

Joshua Smith, PT, DPT

State Legislative Leadership Award

Emily Herndon, PT, DPT
Certified Lymphedema Therapist

Bradley Powell, PT, DPT

State Legislative Commitment Award

Gabe Freyaldenhoven, PT, DPT

Public Service Award

None awarded.

Honorary Membership

Kevin Ford