Physical Therapist Assistant
Essay Questionnaire

(An interview will be conducted during the admissions process)

Prospective Student’s Name:____________________________________________________

Date:__________________________ Year you plan to attend:_____________________

1. In approximately one paragraph, describe why you have decided to pursue a career as a Physical Therapist Assistant and what your professional goals are and discuss the role of the Physical Therapist Assistant, as you see it, in providing a health care service to the public.

2. The Physical Therapist Assistant program at Johnson College is rather rigorous. As a student in the program, you are required to maintain a C+ or better in all PTA classes which will probably entail extra time studying and practicing skills outside of scheduled class time. Describe in a paragraph your commitment to the program and how you plan to allocate your "free time."

3. The Physical Therapist Assistant program offers a number of clinical sites for students to complete their clinical education experiences. The clinical settings are spread out over a 90 mile radius from Johnson College’s campus, which, in many instances, may pose a personal or financial hardship. This is a requirement and placement is random. Please describe in approximately one paragraph how you will handle this situation.

4. As part of the admissions process for the Physical Therapist Assistant Program at Johnson College, you are required to complete 15 hours of observation under a Physical Therapist of Physical Therapist Assistant. Please describe what you most liked and what you least liked of the situations you observed.