DPT CLASS OF 2021:

I would like to welcome you to MUSC. We are so excited that you will be joining us in May. I am the Student Services Coordinator for the Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy programs in the College of Health Professions. I look forward to working with you throughout your educational experience!

New Student Orientation is scheduled for May 23-24, and the first day of classes is May 25, 2018. Additionally, we have a new student website, where we post much of the information you’ll need to get started. Click here for quick access to the site (or copy and paste this URL into your browser: http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/chp/orientation/Orientation%20Page%202016/2016-17%20Orientation%20Index). Please read through this carefully because there are some things you will be expected to do prior to the start of classes. As additional information becomes available, I’ll add it to this site, so please check it every couple of weeks until orientation.

As you navigate the site, please keep the following in mind:

1. You should access the Program Specific Information link FIRST. This link will take you to each program’s orientation site. From there, you will be able to access the orientation checklist. The checklist should be used as your guide for completing all pre-orientation/orientation requirements.

2. The site and orientation checklist are regularly updated with new information so please check with site weekly. As of 3/1, many of the links are being finalized and will become live soon.

3. Some of the checklist items will not be able to be accomplished until you receive your netid and password. Therefore, you may see some information that is not yet up-to-date on some of our university sites.

4. A facebook page has been set up for your class. Log into your Facebook account and search the following: MUSC DPT Class of 2021 Facebook page You can go to this page and request to be added! This is great way to get to know your classmates before Orientation!

Approximately 45 days prior to the start of the semester, your NetID account will be created. Once created, you will receive a series of email notification messages. The first message will contain your NetID, and forty-eight hours later, a second message will be sent containing your password and instructions on how to activate your account. Please note that these email notification messages from the university will be sent to the personal email address you included on your original university application. If a personal e-mail address is not available, you should receive your NetID through regular postal service mail. If you have had a change in your personal email address, please contact me with your current address immediately. Please be sure to activate your NetID. You will also need to bring it with you to orientation. Please email netid-mgr@musc.edu if you have problems or questions involving your NetID. Once you have received and activated your NetID, you will be able to access your MUSC email account. Email is MUSC’s primary form of communication with you. Check your MUSC email account at: https://exchange.musc.edu (but remember that you will need your NetID first!).
Important:

Photos:
You will need to submit a photo online to public safety for your student ID badge (more information is available on the orientation website).

APTA Student Membership:
Please download and print a copy of this form located on your program orientation webpage. Complete the form with just the highlighted boxes, then scan and save as a PDF and email back to me at johnsoss@musc.edu. You do not need to complete any information regarding payment as the PT program pays for your student membership while you are in the program. We just need to get these forms in before orientation so we can send in to APTA for processing. You will have to have access to your APTA membership number for one of your summer courses so please make every effort to get this form to me before May 23rd.

CPR and First Aid:
All incoming students will be required to attend these trainings here on campus regardless of your current certifications. This is to ensure that all students will be in compliance and have the same recertification dates for your clinical rotations. We are currently working to secure dates and times so please check back to your Program Orientation web site for updates.

Please contact me if you have any questions, and remember to keep me informed of any changes in your contact information, mailing address, email, and phone numbers.

I’m looking forward to getting to know you better!

Susan Johnson