

**COUNCIL ON TEACHING**  
Follow Up Report for  
**Teaching in Higher Education Travel Grant**

**Conference Attended:** American Physical Therapy Association Combined Section Meeting, San Antonio, TX

**Date:** February 2-5, 2022

**Department/Unit:** Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science

**Award Amount:** \$1250.00

**Briefly summarize how your attendance at the conference enhanced your professional development as a teaching in higher education.**

This national conference provides an opportunity for physical therapists to attend or present sessions/posters in all of the specialty sections or academies. I attended sessions sponsored by the Academy of PT Education to enhance my teaching effectiveness and participate in discussions about educational issues being addressed at the national level. In addition, I was also able to attend sessions in other Academies directly focused on the content that I teach in the DPT program. This is one way that I can successfully keep up to date on some of the research and clinical applications related to my course content.

I also presented a poster with a colleague that highlighted a training program we developed for clinical instructors working with our students in the clinic. While attending the poster, I had the pleasure of interacting with both academic and clinician attendees regarding our outcomes and strategies that they find successful as well.

**How have you been able to share what you learned about teaching with the campus?**

I prepared a brief power point presentation that highlighted three topics from the Academy of Physical Therapy Education annual meeting. The topics included updates from our accrediting agency, revision of an assessment tool used in clinical education and a recent publication addressing a "Vision for Excellence in Physical Therapy Education". The three slides in the power point presentation were shared with the Clinical Education Committee in our department to inform our committee discussions (see attached).

Thank you for the opportunity this award created to travel to this conference!  
-Kelly Sass, PT, PhD

