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Two EDUCATA Professors Awarded Top Honor

Drs. Ellen Hillegass and Rob Landel have been designated
Catherine Worthingham Fellows

CALABASAS, Calif. June 21, 2012 — EDUCATA is proud to announce that two of its online [physical therapy continuing education](#) faculty members have received the American Physical Therapy Association's (APTA's) highest distinction, becoming Catherine Worthingham fellows.

"We are extremely proud of Drs. Hillegass and Landel," stated Dr. Marilyn Pink, EDUCATA's president & CEO. "Both these individuals made multiple significant contributions to how our profession is practiced, and they both deserve to be known as Fellows of the APTA."

Ellen Hillegass, PT, Ph.D., EdD, CCS, FAACVPR, FAPTA also received the Linda Crane Lecture award in 2008 and is a past president of Cardiopulmonary Specialists. She has published multiple research articles and several books. She teaches the 8.5 CE-hour online course "Assessment of Exercise Tolerance for Development of Safe Exercise Prescription" at EDUCATA.

"Dr. Ellen Hillegass is highly deserving of being an APTA Fellow," says Ethel Frese, PT, DPT, MHS, CCS and President of the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section of the APTA. "She has worked tirelessly to advance the profession of physical therapy, especially in the cardiovascular and pulmonary specialty area. She has enhanced our relationships with other health professionals and organizations, thus increasing recognition of our profession

and the unique skills we offer.”

Rob Landel, PT, DPT, OCS, CSCS, FAPTA excels as an orthopedic clinician, educator and scientist. He was the recipient of the James A. Gould Excellence in Teaching awarded by the APTA in 2009. He is an educational leader in manual therapy, cervicogenic and vestibular disorders. At EDUCATA, Rob teaches the very popular “The Dizzy and Imbalanced Patient” course.

About the Catherine Worthingham Fellow Award:

Designated as the highest honor among APTA’s membership categories, the purpose of the Catherine Worthingham Fellow award (FAPTA) is to honor Dr. Worthingham’s achievements and inspire all physical therapists to attain the top levels of professional excellence and impact in terms of advancing the profession.

Catherine Worthingham, PT, PhD, FAPTA, was a change agent who was effective, respectful, and honest, and motivated others to make an impact within the physical therapy profession. She was also a visionary who demonstrated leadership across the domains of advocacy, education, practice, and research. She passed away in 1997, at the age of 93.

About EDUCATA: EDUCATA.COM is the leading independent provider of [physical therapy continuing education](#). It uses an interactive Web 2.0 platform to deliver a unique online learning experience with a broad spectrum of courses from orthopedics and pediatrics to geriatrics and oncology, taught by top-ranked educators and experienced clinicians. EDUCATA’s partners include the World Confederation for Physical Therapy and many American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) chapters and sections.

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