



Application for Admission

Application deadline is June 15 and a new class begins each January.

Minimum Criteria for Application for Admission:

- Combined score of 900 on the Verbal and Quantitative portions of the GRE, and taken within the last five years
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college with minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- One semester of each of the following prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better:

Organic Chemistry with lab

Human Physiology

Microbiology (lab recommended)

General Psychology

Sociology/Anthropology

General Chemistry with lab (pre-med or chemistry major level)

Biology/Zoology with lab

Human Anatomy

Medical Terminology

Developmental Psychology

Basic Statistical Analysis

Additional Requirements: Three letters of recommendation, an admission essay and the ability to meet the technical standards established by the College of Health Sciences and the Physician Assistant Studies Program.

The most competitive applicants will be considered for an interview for admission.

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Physician Assistant Studies

Master of Science



Program

The University of Kentucky offers a Physician Assistant master's degree program that is accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA). The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPAS) program is offered at the UK Lexington campus and at Morehead State University. Graduates are eligible for state certification/licensure to practice as certified physician assistants.

Program Goals

- Graduate physician assistants who meet and exceed expectations in both health care practice and leadership
- Improve the quality of health care for Kentucky's citizens and beyond
- Increase health care access to medically underserved communities

Physician Assistant Role

The physician assistant functions under the supervision and responsibility of a licensed physician and is competent to:

- Elicit a comprehensive health history
- Perform physical examinations
- Interpret and evaluate diagnostic data
- Establish basic treatment plans
- Counsel and educate patients
- Respond to commonly encountered emergency care situations

About Physician Assistants

Physician assistants serve in a variety of clinical settings, such as primary care practices, geriatric long-term care facilities, hospitals, correctional institutions and community-based clinics.

Program graduates also are competitive for positions in clinical research, health care administration and higher education.

Faculty

The program is taught by a multidisciplinary faculty that is dedicated to preparing competent and compassionate physician assistants for the 21st century.

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Curriculum

ANA 611	<i>Human Anatomy</i>
PAS 651	<i>Intro to PA Profession</i>
PGY 412G	<i>Human Physiology</i>
HSM 601	<i>Overview of Health Care Delivery</i>
PAS 678	<i>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention</i>
PAS 653	<i>Intro to Human Diseases</i>
PAS 610	<i>Research Methods and Epidemiology</i>
PAS 654	<i>Clinical Lecture Series I</i>
PAS 672	<i>Pharmacology I</i>
PAS 650	<i>Clinical Methods</i>
PAS 657	<i>Clinical Lab Procedures</i>
PAS 645	<i>Master's Project I</i>
PAS 646	<i>Master's Project II</i>
PAS 658	<i>Clinical Lecture Series II</i>
PAS 673	<i>Pharmacology II</i>
PAS 655	<i>Psychosocial Factors in Primary Care</i>
PAS 656	<i>Patient Evaluation and Management</i>
PAS 640	<i>Survey of Geriatric Medicine</i>
CNU 503	<i>Applied Nutrition</i>

Clerkships

PAS 660	<i>Family Medicine Clerkship</i>
PAS 661	<i>Pediatrics Clerkship</i>
PAS 662	<i>Obstetrics & Gynecology Clerkship</i>
PAS 663	<i>Surgery Clerkship</i>
PAS 664	<i>Geriatrics Clerkship</i>
PAS 665	<i>Elective/Selective Clerkship</i>
PAS 669	<i>Internal Medicine Clerkship</i>
PAS 670	<i>Emergency Medicine Clerkship</i>
PAS 671	<i>Psychiatry Clerkship</i>
PAS 680	<i>Seminar in PA Studies</i>