## Pre-Physician Assistant Advising

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| **Area A – Essential Skills** | ENGL 1101 and ENGL 1102 (English Comp I & II)  
MATH 1111 (College Algebra) or MATH 1113 (Pre-Calculus) or MATH 2200 (Calculus) |
| **Area B – Institutional Option** | ITEC 1001-Introduction to Computing |
| **Area C – Humanities/Arts** | MUSC 1100 or ARTS 1100 or FILM 1005 or ENGL 2110 or ENGL 2100  
RELN 1100 (World Religions) or GEOG 1101 (Human Geography) or one semester of 2000-level foreign language |
| **Area D – Science, Mathematics, and Technology** | CHEM 1211K and CHEM 1212K (Principles of Chemistry I & II w/Lab)  
ITEC 2110 (Digital Media) or ITEC 2120 (Introduction to Programming) |
| **Area E – Social Sciences** | HIST 2111 or HIST 2112 (U.S. History)  
HIST 1111 or HIST 1112 or HIST 1121 or HIST 1122 or HIST 2111 or HIST 2112  
POLS 1101 (American Government)  
PSYC 1102 (The Psychological Experience) |

| Courses required for admissions to most PA programs | BIOL 1107K and BIOL 1108K (Principles of Biology I & II w/Lab)  
CHEM 2211K (Organic Chemistry I w/Lab)*  
BIOL 3100K (Biochemistry w/ Lab)*  
BIOL 3010K and BIOL 3020K OR BIOL 2451K and BIOL2452K* (Anatomy & Physiology)  
BIOL 3300K or BIOL 2516K (Microbiology)  
MATH 2050 or MATH 1401 (Statistics)  
BIOL 3400K (Cell Biology w/Lab)* |

| Recommended electives for admissions to most PA programs | PSYC 2500 (Lifespan Developmental Psychology)  
PSYC 2400 (Abnormal Psychology)  
CHEM 2212K (Organic Chemistry II)  
PHYS 1111K and PHYS 1112K OR PHYS 2211K and 2212K (Physics I & II w/Lab)  
BIOL 3200K (Genetics w/Lab)  
BIOL 4540 (Immunology) |

*Students are strongly advised to check with the program they plan to apply to for specific prerequisites.*

**What factors are considered in the admission process for Physician Assistant students?**

1. Cumulative undergraduate GPA 3.0 and undergraduate Natural Science GPA of 2.75 or better.
2. Completion of a Bachelor’s of Science/Arts degree from an accredited university is required by most PA programs.
3. *Official GRE scores must be submitted from all sections of the general test for some institutions.
4. Three references – one from a PA or physician, one from a college/university instructor, one additional non-relative.
5. *Clinical experience demonstrating direct patient care (1,000-5,000 hours preferred, requirements vary greatly!).
6. The student should have shadowed physician assistants in a variety of PA clinical settings.
7. Applications are usually submitted through CASPA: [https://caspa.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login](https://caspa.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login)

**Physician Assistant Programs in Georgia**

1. Augusta University – Master of Physician Assistant Program ([https://www.augusta.edu/alliedhealth/pa/](https://www.augusta.edu/alliedhealth/pa/))
3. Emory University School of Medicine – Physician Assistant Program ([http://med.emory.edu/pa/](http://med.emory.edu/pa/))
6. Morehouse School of Medicine—Physician Assistant Program ([https://www.msm.edu/physicianassistantprogram/admissions.php](https://www.msm.edu/physicianassistantprogram/admissions.php))