

Pre-Physician Assistant Advising

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| Area A – Essential Skills | ENGL 1101 <i>and</i> ENGL 1102 (English Comp I & II) MATH 1111 (College Algebra) <i>or</i> MATH 1113 (Pre-Calculus) <i>or</i> MATH 2200 (Calculus) |
| Area B – Institutional Option | ITEC 1001-Introduction to Computing |
| Area C – Humanities/Arts | MUSC 1100 <i>or</i> ARTS 1100 <i>or</i> FILM 1005 <i>or</i> ENGL 2110 <i>or</i> ENGL 2100 RELN 1100 (World Religions) <i>or</i> GEOG 1101 (Human Geography) <i>or</i> one semester of 2000-level foreign language |
| Area D – Science, Mathematics, and Technology | CHEM 1211K <i>and</i> CHEM 1212K (Principles of Chemistry I & II w/Lab) ITEC 2110 (Digital Media) <i>or</i> ITEC 2120 (Introduction to Programming) |
| Area E – Social Sciences | HIST 2111 <i>or</i> HIST 2112 (U.S. History I & II) HIST 1111 <i>or</i> HIST 1112 (World History I & II) <i>or</i> HIST 1121 <i>or</i> HIST 1122 (Western Civilization I & II) <i>or</i> HIST 2111 <i>or</i> HIST 2112 (if not taken above) POLS 1101 (American Government) PSYC 1102 (The Psychological Experience) |
| Courses required for admissions to most PA programs | BIOL 1107K <i>and</i> BIOL 1108K (Principles of Biology I & II w/Lab) CHEM 2211K (Organic Chemistry I w/Lab)* BIOL 3100K (Biochemistry w/ Lab)* BIOL 3010K <i>and</i> BIOL 3020K <i>OR</i> BIOL 2451K <i>and</i> BIOL2452K * BIOL 3300K (Microbiology w/ lab) <i>OR</i> BIOL 2516K (Microbiology for Health Sciences) MATH 2000 (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 <i>and</i> PHYS 1112K (Introduction to Physics I & II w/Lab) <i>OR</i> PHYS 2211K <i>and</i> 2212K (Principles of 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.
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.

Physician Assistant Programs in Georgia

1. Augusta University – Master of Physician Assistant Program (<https://www.augusta.edu/alliedhealth/pa/>)
2. Mercer University – Physician Assistant Program (<https://chp.mercer.edu/academics-departments/physician-assistant-studies/>)
3. Emory University School of Medicine – Physician Assistant Program (<http://med.emory.edu/pa/>)
4. South University – Physician Assistant Program (<https://www.southuniversity.edu/savannah/areas-of-study/physician-assistant/physician-assistant-master-of-science-ms>)
5. PCOM –Physician Assistant Studies (MS) Program (<http://admissions.pcom.edu/program/physician-assistant-studies-ms/>)
6. Morehouse School of Medicine—Physician Assistant Program (<https://www.msm.edu/physicianassistantprogram/admissions.php>)
7. South College–Master of Health Science in Physician Assistant Studies (<https://www.south.edu/programs/master-health-science-physician-assistant-studies/atlanta/>)