



New Program Report

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Institution

Drury University

Site Information

Implementation Date:

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Added Site(s):

Selected Site(s):

Drury University, 900 N. Benton Avenue, Springfield, MO, 65802

CIP Information

CIP Code:

510912

CIP Description:

A program that prepares individuals to practice medicine, including diagnoses and treatment therapies, under the supervision of a physician. Includes instruction in the basic medical and clinical sciences and specialized preparation in fields such as family medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, general surgery, psychiatry, and behavioral medicine; the delivery of health care services to homebound patients, rural populations, and underserved populations; and community health services.

CIP Program Title:

Physician Assistant

Institution Program Title:

Master's of Physician Assistant Studies

Degree Level/Type

Degree Level:

Master Degree

Degree Type:

Master of Physician Assistant Studies

Options Added:

Collaborative Program:

N

Mode of Delivery

Current Mode of Delivery

Classroom

Student Preparation



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Special Admissions Procedure or Student Qualifications required:

Minimum of 1,000 hours of health care work

Shadowing a minimum of two physician assistants

Three letters of recommendation

GRE or PA-CAT taken within five years of the application date

Pre-requisite course work: General Chemistry I and II, Organic Chemistry or Biochemistry with lab, General Biology I and II with labs, Microbiology with laboratory, Human Anatomy with laboratory, Human Physiology, Introductory Psychology, Genetics, Statistics, and Medical Terminology.

Specific Population Characteristics to be served:

n/a

Faculty Characteristics

Special Requirements for Assignment of Teaching for this Degree/Certificate:

Clinical faculty need a MPAS degree and current licensure at a minimum. Program faculty need a master's or terminal degree in an appropriate subject area.

Estimate Percentage of Credit Hours that will be assigned to full time faculty:

Full-time faculty will teach more than 90% of the didactic classes. The clinical experiences will be taught by physician and physician assistant preceptors.

Expectations for professional activities, special student contact, teaching/learning innovation:

Clinical faculty either work one day each week in a clinical setting or engage in medically related research. Clinical faculty are required participate in continuing education necessary to maintain licensure. All faculty will engage in professional development around continuous improvement in teaching.

Student Enrollment Projections Year One-Five

Year 1	Full Time: 30	Part Time: 0	
Year 2	Full Time: 70	Part Time: 0	
Year 3	Full Time: 110	Part Time: 0	Number of Graduates: 28
Year 4	Full Time: 120	Part Time: 0	
Year 5	Full Time: 120	Part Time: 0	Number of Graduates: 104

Percentage Statement:

100.00

Program Accreditation

Institutional Plans for Accreditation:

Accreditation by ARC-PA is underway. The site visit occurred on September 19-20, 2022. The accrediting board will meet in March 2023 to determine accreditation status.

Program Structure

Total Credits:

115

Residency Requirements:

All credits will be delivered by Drury University.



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General Education Total Credits:

0

Major Requirements Total Credits:

115

Course(s) Added

COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS	COURSE TITLE
PAS 621	1	Professional Practice II: Cultural Issues in Promoting Health
PAS 639	4	Pharmacology II
PAS 628	3	Physical Diagnosis and Provider Communication I
PAS 622	2	Professional Practice III: Medical Ethics and Health Policy
PAS 668	1	Advanced Clinical Reasoning II: Clinical Medicine Lab
PAS 640	3	Foundations of Health and Disease
PAS 677	1	Point of Care Ultrasound
PAS 730	4	Surgery Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 655	8	Clinical Medicine II
PAS 665	3	Clinical Medicine IV
PAS 720	4	Emergency Medicine Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 742	4	Elective Rotation Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 741	4	Elective Rotation Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 793	1	Summative Evaluation Course
PAS 660	5	Clinical Medicine III
PAS 785	1	Clinical Leadership
PAS 684	3	Essentials of Emergency Management and Critical Care
PAS 715	4	Pediatrics Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 642	2	Pathophysiology I
PAS 653	1	Evidence Based Medicine
PAS 652	1	Biostatistics and Epidemiology
PAS 763	4	Capstone Project



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PAS 605	2	Fundamentals of Medical Imaging
PAS 641	3	Pharmacology III
PAS 644	4	Pathophysiology II
PAS 620	1	Professional Practice I: Foundations in Medical Practice
PAS 611	1	Foundations of Laboratory Science
PAS 681	3	Behavioral Medicine
PAS 600	4	Gross Anatomy
PAS 650	5	Clinical Medicine I
PAS 725	4	Women's Health Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 700	1	Professional Seminar: Preparation for SCPE
PAS 710	4	Internal Medicine Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 637	2	Pharmacology
PAS 664	2	Pharmacotherapeutics
PAS 630	5	Physical Diagnosis and Provider Communication II
PAS 675	1	Clinical Skills and Procedures
PAS 735	4	Behavioral and Mental Health Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
PAS 661	1	Advanced Clinical Reasoning I: Clinical Medicine Lab
PAS 705	4	Family Medicine Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Free Elective Credits:

0

Internship or other Capstone Experience:

All requirements are in the above curriculum.

Assurances

I certify that the program will not unnecessarily duplicate an existing program of another Missouri institution in accordance with 6 CSR 10-4.010, subsection (9)(C) Submission of Academic Information, Data and New Programs.

I certify that the program will build upon existing programs and faculty expertise.

I certify that the institution has conducted research on the feasibility of the proposal and it is likely the program will be successful. Institutions' decision to implement a program shall be based upon demand and/or need for the program in terms of meeting present and future needs of the locale, state, and nation based upon societal needs, and/or student needs.

Contact Information



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Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

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The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies prepares students for the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination (PANCE) to practice medicine across all specialty areas. Students complete 115 credit hours in 27 months in three phases. The 14-month didactic phase covers all organ-systems and prepares students to see patients in the clinical setting. The 13-month clinical phase requires students rotate for five weeks through seven required medical specialties and two elective rotations of their choosing. The two-week summative phase is the final step for completion of the program requiring students to be evaluated through multiple modalities to ensure all program required competencies have been achieved.

The program requires the completion of 115 credit hours to earn the Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies.

Required

Didactic Phase

		73 hrs.
PAS 600	Gross Anatomy	4 hrs.
PAS 605	Fundamentals of Medical Imaging	2 hrs.
PAS 640	Foundations in Health and Disease	3 hrs.
PAS 611	Foundations in Laboratory Studies	1 hr.
PAS 650	Clinical Medicine I	5 hrs.
PAS 655	Clinical Medicine II	8 hrs.
PAS 660	Clinical Medicine III	5 hrs.
PAS 665	Clinical Medicine IV	3 hrs.
PAS 661	Advanced Clinical Reasoning I: Clin Med Lab	1 hr.
PAS 668	Advanced Clinical Reasoning II: Clin Med Lab	1 hr.
PAS 628	Physical Diagnosis and Provider Communication I	3 hrs.
PAS 630	Physical Diagnosis and Provider Communication II	5 hrs.
PAS 637	Pharmacology I	2 hrs.
PAS 639	Pharmacology II	4 hrs.
PAS 641	Pharmacology III	3 hrs.
PAS 642	Pathophysiology I	2 hrs.
PAS 644	Pathophysiology II	4 hrs.
PAS 620	Professional Practice I: Foundations in Medical Practice	1 hr.
PAS 621	Professional Practice II: Cultural Issues in Promoting Health	1 hr.
PAS 622	Professional Practice III: Medical Ethics and Health Policy	2 hr.
PAS 681	Behavioral Medicine	3 hrs.
PAS 652	Biostatistics and Epidemiology	1 hr.
PAS 653	Evidence-Based Medicine	1 hr.
PAS 664	Pharmacotherapeutics	2 hrs.
PAS 675	Clinical Skills and Procedures	1 hr.
PAS 677	Point of Care Ultrasound	1 hr.
PAS 684	Essentials in Emergency Medicine and Critical Care	3 hrs.
PAS 700	Professional Seminar: Preparation for SCPEs	1 hr.

<i>Clinical Phase</i>		<i>42 hrs.</i>
PAS 705	Family Medicine Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 710	Internal Medicine Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 715	Pediatrics Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 720	Emergency Medicine Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 725	OB/GYN Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 730	Surgery Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 735	Behavioral Health Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 741	Elective Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 742	Elective Rotation	4 hrs.
PAS 763	Capstone Project	4 hrs.
PAS 785	Clinical Leadership	1 hr.
PAS 793	Summative Course	1 hr.