

# MASTER OF SCIENCE in PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK

(AS OF 06/01/2021)

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (for data consistency use only): \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Start Term for PA Program (ex. Fall 2025): \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Review: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## Admission Requirements for the MS in Physician Assistant Studies:

1. Completed application via CASPA. Applications must be complete and verified by **Oct. 1** to be considered.
2. A completed bachelor's degree or one completed by the time the program begins.
3. At least 750 hours of paid, volunteer (or a combination of both) quality direct-patient care.
4. The prerequisite coursework listed below (semesters or equivalent quarters) for which a C or better is earned.
5. At least four upper-level biology courses (numbered 200+) completed in the past five years.
6. Minimum Overall GPA and Overall Science GPA (as defined by CASPA) of 3.2.

## Prerequisite Coursework:

Prerequisite	Course Number ex. BIO 344	Course Title ex. Human Anatomy & Physiology	Institution ex. Le Moyne College	Year	Credits Total Semester Credit Hours	Grade
Biology I with lab for science majors						
Biology II with lab for science majors						
Chemistry I with lab for science majors						
Chemistry II with lab for science majors						
Organic Chemistry or Biochemistry for science majors						
Upper-level biology with lab for science majors (course number 200+)*						
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Upper-level biology for science majors (course number 200+)*						
Upper-level biology for science majors (course number 200+)*						
Quantitative course**						
Quantitative course**						
English Composition or Technical Writing						
Social Science***						
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## Course Recommendations:

\***Upper-level biology coursework:** Highly recommended coursework includes cell & molecular biology, microbiology, genetics, anatomy & physiology. Recommended coursework includes neurobiology, endocrinology, pathology, evolution or other advanced biology courses for majors.

\*\***Quantitative coursework:** The most competitive candidates will meet this requirement through two semesters of **statistics I** (or higher), **calculus I** (or higher), or **physics I** (or higher) in any combination of these three subjects.

\*\*\***Social Science coursework:** The most competitive candidates will meet this requirement through two semesters of coursework in **psychology, sociology or anthropology** in any combination of these three subjects. Examples include but are not limited to: psychology, abnormal psychology, lifespan or developmental, personality, aging, cross-cultural psychology, health psychology, human sexuality, counseling and psychotherapy, sociology and anthropology.

**AP Credit:** Advanced Placement (AP) credit is acceptable so long as the credit is clearly noted on your previous college transcript(s) as having been accepted by your former institution toward a specific content area or a score report from the College Board is presented (upon our request). Most commonly we see AP Credit applied to Introductory Biology, English Composition/ Technical Writing, or Social Science prerequisites.