

Pre-Physician Assistant Advising

Area in major Program Plan	GGC Courses
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) HIST 1111 <i>or</i> HIST 1112 <i>or</i> HIST 1121 <i>or</i> HIST 1122 <i>or</i> HIST 2111 <i>or</i> HIST 2112 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* (Anatomy & Physiology) BIOL 3300K <i>or</i> BIOL 2516K (Microbiology) MATH 2050 <i>or</i> 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 <i>and</i> PHYS 1112K <i>OR</i> PHYS 2211K <i>and</i> 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.liasoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>

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 (<https://www.pcom.edu/academics/programs-and-degrees/physician-assistant-studies/georgia.html>)
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/>)