

PRE-PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

Admission Requirements and Advising

Pre-Physician Assistant is an advising track at the University of Kentucky. It is intended to prepare students to meet the admission requirements into the UK College of Health Sciences for graduate level education in the Physician Assistant professional program. The UK College of Health Sciences is convinced that certain coursework on the undergraduate level is necessary for quality performance in PA school; therefore, the following courses are required of applicants and should be taken in consultation with a Pre-PA Advisor.

*Please note that PA schools outside of the University of Kentucky may have varying requirements. Interested students should maintain early contact with all prospective schools to remain up-to-date on eligibility requirements.

Requirements

Prerequisite coursework must be taken for a grade option. Pass/fail coursework will not be considered.

- One semester of **anthropology** or **sociology** (3)
- One semester of **biology with lab** (4-5)
- One semester of **developmental psychology** (3)
- One semester of **general psychology** (3-4)
- One semester of **human anatomy*** (3-4)
- One semester of **human physiology*** (3-4)
 - * Combined anatomy and physiology courses must be completed through two levels
- One semester of **medical terminology** (3)
- One semester of **microbiology with lab** (4)
- One semester of **organic chemistry with lab** (4)
- One semester of **calculus-based statistics** (3)
- Two semesters of **general chemistry with labs** (8-10)

Additional Experiences

Patient Contact:

The Physician Assistant program requires patient contact, but no minimum amount is set. Some examples include paid or volunteer experience working as a pharmacy technician, EMT, phlebotomist, and similar roles.

Shadowing and Exposure to the Profession:

Applicants should seek opportunities for exposure to the PA profession. Shadowing and other interactions are valuable and can impact the admission interview.

PA School Admission and GRE

The PA program is graduate-level and requires the completion of a bachelor's degree in concurrence with the listed courses. Applying to the program involves the GRE, multiple application, and letters of recommendation. Contact the school for more information.

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KCTCS Crosswalk

General Education Courses

Many general education requirements in addition to these courses can be completed through KCTCS. Please contact a UK Transfer Advisor for guidance.

Anatomy & Physiology

ANA 209

ANA 209 or BIO 139

PGY 206

PGY 206 or BIO 137

Anthropology or Sociology

Any ANT or SOC course

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Biology & Labs

BIO 148 + 155 (lab)

BIO 150 + 151 (lab) or BIO 148 + 155 (lab)
or BIO 114 + 115 (lab)

BIO 152

BIO 152 + 153 (lab) or BIO 116 + 117 (lab)

General Chemistry & Labs

CHE 105 + 111 (lab)

CHE 170 + 175 (lab)

CHE 107 + 113 (lab)

CHE 180 + 185 (lab)

Organic Chemistry

CHE 230 + 231 (lab)

CHE 270 + 275 (lab)

CHE 232 + 233 (lab)

CHE 280 + 285 (lab)

General Psychology

PSY 100

PSY 110

Developmental Psychology

PSY 223

PSY 223

Microbiology

BIO 208

BIO 225, 226, or 227

Statistics

STA 296

STA 251 or STA 296

■ UK Courses

KCTCS Courses ■

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