

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPAS)

Quick Look 2017-2018

Length of Program: 119 units (74 didactic/45 clinical); 24 months over 6 contiguous semesters, full-time

Approximate Cost: \$40,000 per year tuition; \$3,000 per year program fee; (\$86,000 2 year tuition/fee total). Based on 16-17 tuition
Living cost and incidentals not included.

Program Starts: Fall only (early September)

Application Timeline: Jul 1, 2016 - Jan 15, 2017

Program Format: Classes meet Mon – Fri 8:00 am- 5:00 pm; clinical rotations occur Mon – Fri around the clock, including evenings and weekends

GPA Requirement: 3.0 minimum Overall, 3.0 minimum Science, 3.0 minimum Prerequisite

Accreditation: Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA).¹

Application Requirements

1. Application for admission through www.caspaonline.org.
2. Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution with a minimum GPA of 3.0.
3. Official sealed transcripts from all colleges and universities attended sent to CASPA.
4. Three recommendations from professors, medical colleagues, supervisors or clergy who can address your potential for success.
5. Comprehensive essay/personal statement.
6. Prerequisites ²
Completed with a C or better.
 - Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II with Lab
Or a combination of courses covering all human systems
 - General Chemistry with Lab I & II
Or Organic, Inorganic & Biochemistry with Labs
 - Microbiology with Lab
 - Psychology - General, Developmental or Abnormal; 1 course
 - Mathematics - College Algebra, Pre-Calculus, Calculus or Statistics; 1 course
 - English/Writing; 6-8SH (1yr.)
 - Social Sciences/Humanities – e.g. Sociology, History, Philosophy, Anthropology, Art, Music, Religion, Political Science, Government, Literature; 3 courses / 9 SH**Additional Recommended Courses**
Biochemistry, Genetics/Molecular Biology, Statistics, Medical Terminology
7. Recent passport size photo
8. Successful Interview(s) with the Physician Assistant Admission Committee
9. An applicant whose first language is not English and/or does not have a degree from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction is required to demonstrate English language proficiency by submitting a recent test score of from Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English or International Language Testing System (IELTS).

Admission to the Physician Assistant Program is competitive and selective; completion of program application requirements and prerequisites does not guarantee an interview or program acceptance.

Course Requirements

Didactic Courses		74
PAS-501	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
PAS-502	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
PAS-503	Research Methodology I	1
PAS-504	Research Methodology II	1.5
PAS-505	Healthcare Ethics	3
PAS-506	Medical Microbiology	3
PAS-507	Clinical Laboratory Science	3
PAS-508	Professional Practice I	1
PAS-509	Professional Practice II	1
PAS-510	History & Physical Examination I	4
PAS-511	History & Physical Examination II	4
PAS-512	History & Physical Examination III	4
PAS-513	Pathophysiology of Disease I	2
PAS-514	Pathophysiology of Disease II	2
PAS-520	Pharmacology & Pharmacotherapeutics I	3
PAS-521	Pharmacology & Pharmacotherapeutics II	3
PAS-522	Medical Genetics	1.5
PAS-523	Health Promotion & Disease Prevention	2
PAS-524	Behavioral Medicine	2
PAS-525	Clinical Skills & Procedures I	3
PAS-526	Clinical Skills & Procedures II	3
PAS-530	Clinical Medicine I	3
PAS-531	Clinical Medicine II	4
PAS-532	Clinical Medicine III	4
PAS-533	Clinical Medicine IV	3
PAS-534	Women's Health	3
PAS-535	Global Health Engagement	2

Clinical Rotations	45
PAS-601 Clerkship-Family Medicine	5
PAS-602 Clerkship-Internal Medicine	5
PAS-603 Clerkship-Emergency Medicine	5
PAS-604 Clerkship-General Surgery	5
PAS-605 Clerkship-Adolescent & Pediatric Medicine	5
PAS-606 Clerkship-Behavioral Medicine	5
PAS-607 Clerkship-Women's Health	5
PAS-608 Clerkship-Elective I	5
PAS-609 Clerkship-Elective II	5
Total Units	119

1. ACCREDITATION

The ARC-PA has granted **Accreditation-Provisional** status to the **California Baptist University Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies Program** sponsored by California Baptist University.

Accreditation-Provisional is an accreditation status granted when the plans and resource allocation, if fully implemented as planned, of a proposed program that has not yet enrolled students appear to demonstrate the program's ability to meet the ARC-PA *Standards* or when a program holding Accreditation-Provisional status appears to demonstrate continued progress in complying with the *Standards* as it prepares for the graduation of the first class (cohort) of students.

Accreditation-Provisional does not ensure any subsequent accreditation status. It is limited to no more than five years from matriculation of the first class.

2. Prerequisites

Please note the following guidelines for prerequisite courses:

- *All courses must have a grade of C or better.*
- *Science courses taken within the past 5-7 years are preferred.*
- *Sciences courses taken online or hybrid courses are NOT acceptable for fulfillment of prerequisites. Students will be required to sign a statement acknowledging that all science courses and labs were completed in a classroom setting.*
- *Advanced Placement (AP) courses taken during high school may be used to fulfill the Math and English requirements only. A minimum score of 3 out of 5 on AP tests is required. Documentation of satisfactory completion is required.*
- *All prerequisite courses must be taken in U.S. institutions that are regionally accredited and must be transferrable to CBU.*

For students currently attending CBU, the following courses are recommended:

- Human Anatomy & Physiology I/II: BIO 153 & 163 with Lab
- General Chemistry I/II: CHE 115 & 125 with Lab
- Microbiology: BIO 305 with Lab
- Psychology: PSY 213, 305, or 346
- Mathematics: MAT 115, 135, or 245

For more information, please visit our website at: www.calbaptist.edu/PA

You may also contact Graduate Admissions at graduateadmissions@calbaptist.edu or 951-343-4249