# Prerequisite Advising Worksheet

## Physician Assistant Studies (M.P.A.S.)

### Prerequisite Courses

Minimum grade of “C” required in each course

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<td>BIO 120 General Biology I</td>
<td>(GV recommended prerequisites: CHM 109 or CHM 115)</td>
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<td>BIO 355 Human Genetics or BIO 375 &amp; 376</td>
<td>(GV Prerequisite: BIO 120 or BIO 104)</td>
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<td>BMS 208* Human Anatomy (GV prerequisite: BIO 120)</td>
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<td>BMS 209 Human Anatomy Lab</td>
<td>(GV prerequisite: BMS 208 &amp; cum GPA 3.0 or higher)</td>
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<td>BMS 290* Human Physiology (GV prereq: BMS 208 &amp; 2 chem courses)</td>
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<td>and BMS 291 Human Physiology Lab</td>
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<td>or BMS 250** Anatomy &amp; Physiology I (GV prerequisite: BIO 120)</td>
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<td>BMS 251** Anatomy &amp; Physiology II (GV prerequisite: BMS 250)</td>
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<td>BMS 212** Introductory Microbiology and BMS 213 Micro Lab</td>
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<td>CHM 109 Introductory Chemistry or CHM 115 &amp; 116</td>
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<td>CHM 231^ Introductory Organic Chemistry or CHM 241 &amp; 242</td>
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<td>CHM 232** Biochemistry or CHM 461</td>
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<td>PHY 200 Physics for the Life Sciences or PHY 220 &amp; 221</td>
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<td>PSY 101 Introductory Psychology</td>
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<td>STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics</td>
<td>(GV Prerequisite: MTH 110)</td>
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The subject/course numbers above are for GVSU courses. If you will be completing prerequisites outside of GVSU be sure to use the course equivalency database and/or consult with a GVSU advisor to verify equivalency. Go to [www.gvsu.edu/pas](http://www.gvsu.edu/pas) for more information.

*These courses must be less than 5 years old at time of application.

^These courses must be completed prior to submission of the application.

If an applicant is taking a two semester sequence of Physics, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry or Microbiology, the first semester must be completed at the time of application.

Applicants who feel they have extenuating and exceptional circumstances regarding completion of the required coursework OR the 5-year rule may complete an Academic Request Form (ARF) which is available on the program website at [www.gvsu.edu/pas](http://www.gvsu.edu/pas) and submitted no later than July 15 prior to the September 15 application deadline. The deadline for all other application documents, materials, and requirements is non-negotiable.

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Student: ___________________________________________ G#: __________ Date: __________

(If applicable)

All admission documents must be completed and received on or before the September 15 application deadline.

1. University Application Requirements
   _ Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education (completed May prior to the fall program start)
   _ Completion of Grand Valley State University (GVSU) Graduate Application
   _ $30 nonrefundable application fee; the fee is waived for those who have previously applied to GVSU
   _ Copies of official transcripts from all institutions of higher education previously attended (except GVSU)

2. Program Application Requirements
   _ Minimum average 3.0 GPA in the following areas:
     ✓ Overall Cumulative, Last 60 hours of coursework, and PAS program prerequisite courses
   _ Prerequisite Coursework
     ✓ Minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in each prerequisite course
     ✓ The following prerequisite courses MUST be completed at the time of application
        ▪ Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry & Microbiology
        ▪ If an applicant is taking a two semester sequence of Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry or Microbiology the first semester must be completed at the time of application.
        ▪ Remaining prerequisite courses and a bachelor’s degree MUST be completed by the month of May prior to the fall start of the program matriculation.
     ✓ 5-year rule: Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Microbiology, and Biochemistry must be completed within the 5 calendar years preceding and including the year of application.
   _ Official scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE)
   _ Two (2) Recommendation Forms: (GVSU recommendation form will be emailed to references provided)
     At least ONE from a health care professional; the OTHER from a health care professional OR professor
   _ Healthcare Experience (minimum hours must be completed at the time of application)
     ✓ Minimum 500 hours of significant volunteer and/or work and/or observational experience in a health care environment with significant hands-on patient care activities documented on the graduate application and the Supplemental Health Care Experience Log
   _ Students must meet all Technical Standards as outlined on the PA website at www.gvsu.edu/pas
   _ International/Foreign born applicants
     ✓ Original/certified transcripts, official TOEFL test with minimum score of 600 or equivalent computer based score, official credential evaluation (e.g., WES, ECE)
     ✓ Transcripts demonstrating 30 hours of higher education coursework completed at an established and accredited U.S. institution by application deadline.

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I have read and understand the information regarding the admission and application requirements for the GVSU Physician Assistant Studies program and agree to abide by all terms and conditions as stated herein.

Applicant: ___________________________________________ Date: __________ Advisor: ____________________________