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Prerequisite Advising Worksheet

Applicants may choose only one site to which they will apply: Grand Rapids or Traverse City

2024 Application Year

Date: _

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

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√	Prerequisite Courses Minimum grade of "C" required in each course	School	Equivalent Course Subject/Course Number	Year	Grade
	BIO 120 General Biology I				
	BIO 355 Human Genetics ^{or BIO 375 & 376} (GV Prerequisite: BIO 120 or BIO 104)				
	BMS 208*^ Human Anatomy (GV prerequisite: BIO 120) and BMS 309 Laboratory in Human Anatomy (GV prerequisite: "B" or better in BMS 208) BMS 290*^Human Physiology (GV prereq: BMS 208 & 2 chem courses) and BMS 391 Laboratory in Human Physiology (BMS 290 or BMS 251				
	w/ two semesters of chemistry) or BMS 250*^Anatomy & Physiology I (GV prerequisite: BIO 120) and BMS 251*^Anatomy & Physiology II (GV prerequisite: BMS 250)				
	BMS 212*^Introductory Microbiology and BMS 213 Micro Lab (GV Prerequisite: BIO 120 & CHM 230 or 232 or 241 or 245)				
	CHM 109 Introductory Chemistry or CHM 115 & 116				

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 equivalencies. Go to www.qvsu.edu/pas for more information.

CHM 231^ Introductory Organic Chemistry or CHM 241 & 242

PSY 101 Introductory Psychology or PSY 364 Life Span Development

(GV Prerequisite: CHM 109 or CHM 116)

(GV Prerequisite: CHM 231)

(GV Prerequisite: MTH 110)

CHM 232*^ Biological Chemistry or CHM 461

STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics

PHY 200 Physics for the Life Sciences or PHY 220 (GV Prerequisite: MTH 110 or MTH 122 or MTH 201)

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 and submitted **no later than July 15 prior to the September 1st application deadline.** The deadline for all other application documents, materials, and requirements is non-negotiable.

Popular electives: BMS 410 Immunology & PSY 364 Life Span Development

^{*} Courses must be less than 5 years old at time of application (anatomy/physiology, microbiology, biochemistry)

[^]Courses must be completed <u>prior to submission</u> of the application. (anatomy/physiology, microbiology, org chem, bio chem) If an applicant is taking a two-semester sequence of Organic Chemistry, Biological Chemistry or Microbiology, the first semester must be completed at the time of application.



Admission/Application Information

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CASPA Admissions Process

CASPA applications must be **COMPLETE** by September 1st. An application is considered complete after the online application is completed and all supporting documents have been received by CASPA. Applicants should visit the PAS website at www.gvsu.edu/pas for more detailed admission/application information.

University Requirements

- 1. Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education (must be completed by the month of May prior to program matriculation).
- 2. GVSU supplemental application form.

Program Requirements

- 1. CASPA Application. https://caspa.liaisoncas.com/
 - Refer to <u>Admission Related FAQ</u> for details on how to ensure your application is "Complete" by the September 1st application deadline.
- 2. CASPer Test. (https://takecasper.com)
 - CASPer is an online situational judgment test designed to assess non-academic attributes in applicants.
- 3. Send College Transcripts to CASPA
- 4. GPA. Applicants must maintain an average GPA of "B" (3.0) or higher in EACH of the following categories:
 - Overall GPA (based on CASPA calculations)
 - Last 60 hours of coursework (based on GVSU calculations)
 - Program Prerequisite Courses (based on GVSU calculations); The GPA will use the highest grade earned; If a two-semester
 course sequence is used, the higher of the two grades will be used to calculate the prerequisite GPA.

5. Prerequisite Coursework.

- Applicants must attain a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) in each of GVSU's PAS program prerequisites.
- The following courses MUST be completed prior to the application deadline: Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Microbiology, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry
- The following courses must be completed within 5 calendar years of the year of application; Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Microbiology, Biochemistry
- All PAS program prerequisite coursework and a bachelor's degree must be completed by the month of May prior to program matriculation.
- 6. GRE scores (www.ets.org)
 - GRE test scores are valid for five years after the testing
 - If there is more than one GRE score, the highest test composite score will be used for admission decisions.

7. Minimum of two (2) Recommendation Rubrics

- Recommendation rubrics will be emailed by CASPA to references at the time of application submission.
- Separate letters of recommendation can NOT be substituted for a recommendation rubric.
- One completed by a health care professional; one completed by health care professional or university faculty member.

8. Healthcare experience.

• The applicant must complete a **minimum of 500 hours** of significant volunteer and/or work and/or observational experience in a health care environment by the time of application. **Hands on patient care experience is highly encouraged.**

9. International Applicants

- All students in the PAS program should be able to speak and write fluently in English. Students whose first language is not English must submit one of the following:
 - o Official test scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (see website for details)
- Students completing higher education studies outside of the U.S. must also submit:
 - Original or certified original transcripts
 - o Official transcript credential evaluation information (e.g. WES, ECE)
 - Transcripts demonstrating 30 hours of higher education coursework taken at an established and accredited U.S. Institution.