

PAS CLASS OF 2026 CURRICULUM

GVSU PAS students receive 16 months of didactic training followed by 12 months of clinical training (clinical rotations) at Grand Valley State University.

Didactic Phase (4 Semesters)

Semester	Course Number	Course Name	Course Credits	Delivery Method
Semester One (Fall)	BMS 561	Prosected Regional Anatomy	4	In-person
	STA 610	Applied Statistics for Health Professions	3	Hybrid-synchronous
	PAS 501	Clinical Applications I	2	In-person
	PAS 511	Foundations of Clinical Medicine	4	In-person
	PAS 521	Medical Physiology	3	In-person
	PAS 561	Clinical Applications Lab I	1	In-person
Semester Two (Winter)	PAS 502	Clinical Applications II	1	In-person
	PAS 512	Clinical Medicine I	6	In-person
	PAS 522	Clinical Pathophysiology I	1	In-person
	PAS 532	Practical Therapeutics I	2	Hybrid-synchronous
	PAS 542	Clinical Problem Solving Sessions I	1	In-person
	PAS 551	Physician Assistant Prof Issues I	1	In-person
	PAS 562	Clinical Applications Lab II	1	In-person
	PAS 572	Hospital Community Experience I	1	In-person
	PAS 582	Evidence-Based Medicine I	3	In-person
Semester Three (Spring/Summer)	PAS 503	Clinical Applications III	1	In-person
	PAS 513	Clinical Medicine II	6	In-person
	PAS 523	Clinical Pathophysiology II	1	In-person
	PAS 533	Practical Therapeutics II	2	Hybrid-synchronous
	PAS 543	Clinical Problem Solving Sessions II	1	In-person

	PAS 563	Clinical Applications Lab III	1	In-person
	PAS 573	Hospital Community Experience II	1	In-person
	PAS 583	Evidence-Based Medicine II	2	In-person
Semester Four (Fall)	PAS 504	Clinical Applications IV	1	In-person
	PAS 514	Clinical Medicine III	6	In-person
	PAS 524	Clinical Pathophysiology III	3	In-person
	PAS 534	Practical Therapeutics III	2	Hybrid-synchronous
	PAS 544	Clinical Problem Solving Sessions III	1	In-person
	PAS 554	Physician Assistant Profession Issues II	1	In-person
	PAS 564	Clinical Applications Lab IV	1	In-person
	PAS 574	Hospital Community Experience III	1	In-person
	PAS 584	Evidence-Based Medicine III	2	In-person

Clinical Phase (3 Semesters)

Semester	Course Number	Course Name	Course Credits	Delivery Method
Semester Five (Winter)	PAS 610*	Clinical Rotations I	12	In-person <i>(telemedicine encounters may be used for up to 20% of clinical experiences)</i>
Semester Six (Spring/Summer)	PAS 620*	Clinical Rotations II	12	In-person <i>(telemedicine encounters may be used for up to 20% of clinical experiences)</i>
Semester Seven (Fall)	PAS 630*	Clinical Rotations III	12	In-person <i>(telemedicine encounters may be used for up to 20% of clinical experiences)</i>

* During the clinical phase of the program, students complete seven core required rotations, an integrated pediatric rotation, and eight weeks of elective rotations.

Core required rotations include emergency medicine (4 weeks), family medicine (8 weeks), internal medicine (8 weeks), psychiatry/behavioral medicine (4 weeks), underserved medicine (4 weeks), general surgery (4 weeks), and women's health (4 weeks). The pediatric rotation is integrated into the family practice clinical rotation.

All students have supervised clinical practice experiences at a site with access to pediatric patient populations and with a preceptor qualified to provide care to infants, children, and adolescents to allow students to meet the pediatric rotation learning outcomes.

Students also have the opportunity to select eight weeks of elective rotations. Elective rotations vary in length from 4-8 weeks. Popular electives include, but are not limited to: cardiology, orthopedics, hematology/oncology, neurology, ENT (Ear, Nose, Throat), dermatology, pediatrics, surgical specialties (such as Cardiothoracic, Urologic, Vascular, Neuro, etc.), and international rotations. *Note: Students who select an elective international rotation are responsible for all travel and housing costs associated with the rotation. International rotations are arranged through the GVSU Padnos International Center (<https://www.gvsu.edu/pic/>).*

PAS program faculty ensure all enrolled students are placed in supervised clinical practice experiences to allow them to meet the program learning outcomes. See the PAS Program Student Policy on Student Solicitation of Clinical Sites and Preceptors (<https://www.gvsu.edu/pas/pas-student-policies-122.htm>) for additional details.