MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Master of Medical Science Physician Assistant degree is offered by the School of Medicine. The mission of the program is to educate competent, compassionate, and culturally-aware Physician Assistants who are prepared to meet the healthcare needs of our community. Graduates will advance the Physician Assistant profession through clinical excellence, service, and dedication to professional stewardship.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from this program will:

- · Demonstrate competency in interpersonal and communication skills
- · Demonstrate competency in medical knowledge
- Demonstrate competency in professionalism
- · Demonstrate competency in practice-based learning and improvement
- · Demonstrate competency in systems-based practice
- Demonstrate competency in interprofessional collaborative practice
- · Demonstrate competency in social, cultural, and community contexts of health care
- · Demonstrate competency in patient care

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To complete the program graduate students must complete a 7-semester program of study. Within the program of study, successful students earn 129.5 credit hours, which includes 48 credit hours (12 months) comprised of clinical rotation experiences. Students must pass a summative evaluation during semester 7. Students must also maintain a 3.0 or better grade point average to receive the Master of Medical Science Physician Assistant degree.

Required Courses Include:

| Code | Title | Credits | |
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| Year 1 Spring Semester (21 credit hours) | | | |
| MEDPA 5501 | Anatomy for the Physician Assistant | 3 | |
| MEDPA 5502 | Foundations in Basic Medical Science | 4 | |
| MEDPA 5504 | Ethics, Law and Policy | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5505 | Clinical Assessment for the PA | 2 | |
| MEDPA 5511 | Clinical Practicum I | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5521 | PA Professions I | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5531 | Science and Practice of Medicine I | 9 | |
| Code | Title | Credits | |
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| Year 1 Summer Semester (14 credit | | | |
| MEDPA 5512 | Clinical Practicum II | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5522 | PA Professions II | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5532 | Science and Practice of Medicine II | 12 | |
| Code | Title | Credits | |
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| Year 1 Fall Semester (22 credit hours) | | | |
| MEDPA 5513 | Clinical Practicum III | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5523 | PA Professions III | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5533 | Science and Practice of Medicine III | 20 | |
| Code | Title | Credits | |
| Year 2 Spring Semester (25 credit hours) | | | |
| MEDPA 5514 | Clinical Practicum IV | 1 | |
| | PA Professions IV | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5524 | | · | |
| MEDPA 5534 | Science and Practice of Medicine IV | 19 | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - May | | | |

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| Year 2 Summer Semester (8.5 credit hours) | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - June | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - July | | | |
| MEDPA 5581 | Professional Development for the PA | 0.5 | |
| Code | Title | Credits | |
| Year 2 Fall Semester (20.5 credit hours) | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - August | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - September | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - October | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - November | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - December | | 4 | |
| MEDPA 5581 | Professional Development for the PA | 0.5 | |
| Code | Title | Credits | |
| Year 3 Spring Semester (18.5 credit hours) | | | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - January | | 4 | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - February | | 4 | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - March | | 4 | |
| MEDPA 5600 Clinical Rotation - April | | 4 | |
| MEDPA 5580 | Senior Seminar | 1 | |
| MEDPA 5581 | Professional Development for the PA | 0.5 | |
| MEDPA 5595 | Capstone | 1 | |

MEDPA 5600s are a series of required and elective clinical rotations. Required clinical rotations include Family Medicine, Adult Internal Medicine, Women's Health, Emergency Medicine, Pediatrics, Surgery, Behavioral Medicine, and Geriatrics. Student schedules are supplemented with additional 2 to 4 week elective rotations.

Admission Requirements

Please visit our Admissions Page (https://med.umkc.edu/pa/) to learn about our requirements.