# **Physician Assistant Secondary Prompts - CASPA**

- Last updated 2024 2025 application cycle
  - Prompts and character counts subject to change
  - This is NOT meant as a substitute to creating a CASPA account and looking at the secondary prompt directly from schools, but to give prospective applicants an idea of questions that will need to be answered so they can begin brainstorming.
- Includes the 311 programs/locations that utilize CASPA
  - Currently 25 programs who do NOT use CASPA
- Open the outline (on the left side of the screen) or command/control F to search for programs
- Some programs do not have secondary applications available on CASPA or no secondary applications at all, in this case scenario, they will be either link or noted as "N/A"

# A.T. Still University - Central Coast

- Limit responses to 75 words or less.
- 1. Describe a time when you had difficulties in your coursework, what did you learn and how did you overcome this challenge? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Please share your preference for learning (e.g lecture, small group, case-based/problem-based learning, asynchronous, individual study). Describe the learning format that is the best fit for you and a format that does not work well for you. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. Describe a meaningful experience you had while serving the underserved and how this experience has motivated you to pursue a career as a PA? (Max: 1500 characters)

# **Adventhealth University**

- 1. Please write a professional essay outlining why you are pursuing a career as a PA, experiences or interactions you have had with a PA, why you want to attend a faith-based institution, and specifically why you would like to attend AdventHealth University. (Max: 6000 characters)
- 2. Required Documents:
  - a. CV/Resume

# Agnes Scott College (Developing Program) - N/A

# Albany Medical College - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents:
  - a. Military papers
  - b. CV/Resume
  - c. Licensures
  - d. Publications

#### e. Research

# **Alvernia University**

- 1. How do you align with the mission of Alvernia University? View Alvernia University's mission here- <a href="https://www.alvernia.edu/about/franciscan-tradition/mission">https://www.alvernia.edu/about/franciscan-tradition/mission</a>. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Describe a non-academic challenge you have experienced and what you learned from that challenge. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. Describe a time when you misjudged someone. Identify your bias and what you learned from that experience. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 4. List any online labs you have completed. (Max: 500 characters)

# Arcadia University - Dual Degree Public Health and Physician Assistant

- Describe a non-academic challenge you have experienced and what you learned from it. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Describe a time when you disagreed with a colleague or supervisor and how did you resolve that situation in a professional way? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Explain your reasons for wanting to pursue an MPH degree. Please include any qualities you have or skills you have gained which would allow you to be successful in this program. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 4. If applicable, please explain any grades on your transcript other than a B- (i.e., F, D, C, W, NP, etc.). AP credits or transfer credits do not need to be explained. If none, enter N/A. (Max: 1000 characters)

# **Arcadia University, Delaware**

- 1. Describe a non-academic challenge you have experienced and what you learned from it. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Describe a time when you disagreed with a colleague or supervisor and how did you resolve that situation in a professional way? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. If applicable, please explain any grades on your transcript other than a B- (i.e., F, D, C, W, NP, etc.). AP credits or transfer credits do not need to be explained. If none, enter N/A. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License
  - c. Military Papers

### **Arcadia University, Glenside**

- 1. Describe a non-academic challenge you have experienced and what you learned from it. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Describe a time when you disagreed with a colleague or supervisor and how did you resolve that situation in a professional way? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. If applicable, please explain any grades on your transcript other than a B- (i.e., F, D, C, W, NP, etc.). AP credits or transfer credits do not need to be explained. If none, enter N/A. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License
  - c. Military Papers

### **Arizona School of Health Sciences**

- 1. If you have previously applied to the Arizona School of Health Sciences PA Program, how have you improved your application since your last submission? If you have not previously applied, please type N/A. (Max: 200 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Personal Statement: If you have not already addressed the following in your CASPA essay, A.T. Still University would like an additional personal statement explaining your prior experience with and commitment to the PA profession, as well as an explanation for any low or poor grades, gaps in your education or work experience. Please limit your response to 300-500 words.

### **Ashland University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Writing Sample
    - i. How do you embody the Ashland University College of Nursing and Health Sciences ICARE values, and how do they apply to your future success in the Ashland University PA program?
  - b. CV/Resume
  - c. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
    - i. Log
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Clinical/Professional (certificates/licensure)

# **Augsburg University - Supplemental Application Site**

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

Austin College - N/A

Baldwin Wallace University - N/A

Barry University - Miami - N/A

Barry University - St. Petersburg - N/A

# **Bay Path University - Supplemental Application Site**

- 1. Please comment on any gaps in your education or work history, course failures, or repeated coursework. (Max: 200 words)
- 2. Please comment on any missing prerequisite coursework and your plan to complete the coursework prior to matriculation. (Max: 200 words)
  - a. If you have received prior course approval, please document below
- 3. If you have previously applied to a Physician Assistant program, what have you done to enhance your application for this cycle? (Max: 200 words)
- 4. In no more than 300 words, briefly elaborate on your extracurricular activities and work experience, and describe how it relates to the pursuit of a Physician Assistant degree. (Max: 300 words)

#### **Baylor College of Medicine**

- \* Must submit \$50 supplemental application fee on separate website
  - 1. Describe any unique life experiences including leadership, hardships, or personal achievements which will contribute to your success as a practicing clinician. (Max: 1000 characters)
  - 2. If offered admission to the Baylor College of Medicine PA Program, what factors would impact your choice to enroll, based on your understanding of the program? (Max: 1000 characters)
  - 3. Do you have any other noteworthy aspects about yourself, not included in the application, that you would like to communicate? If yes, provide additional details. If no, please respond: N/A. (Max: 1000 characters)
  - 4. If you at any time interrupted a degree program prior to completion (for 4 months or more) or if you have ever taken a reduced academic load, state the reasons and describe what you did during the interval. If this does not apply to you, please type "N/A." (Max: 1000 characters)

### **Berry College (Developing Program)**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Personal Statement: Please explain how you will best embody the Berry PA Program mission as a Berry PA student and future graduate: The Berry PA Program is committed

- to preparing, educating and empowering the next generation of physician associates to deliver quality, comprehensive, compassionate, patient-centered care to their communities. Personal statements will be reviewed holistically and compared to the applicant pool. Al-generated personal statements will not be accepted, whether in part or whole.
- b. Shadowing/Healthcare hours: Patient contact and/or clinical experiences may include health-related, patient care, research, shadowing, and volunteer experiences as defined by CASPA. Please submit proof of hours; documentation must include the type of contact and/or clinical experience, the location, dates, number of hours, and the supervisor's signature with contact information. If you cannot secure your supervisor's signature, please contact the Berry PA Program.

### **Bethel University - Minnesota**

- \* Must submit supplemental application fee on separate website
  - How have you demonstrated a fit with the Bethel University PA Program mission and goals?
     (Max: 1000 characters)

# Bethel University - Tennessee - Supplemental Application Site

#### **Brenau University**

- 1. How did you hear about the Brenau University Physician Assistant program?
- 2. In addition to your CASPA application, is there any additional information that you would like for Brenau University to consider in reviewing your application? (Max: 250 characters)
- 3. Please explain any W's, F's or D's on your transcript. If this does not apply, please enter N/A. (Max: 750 characters)
- 4. Please describe in detail your participation in employment, extracurricular activities/ volunteer/community service that involved an average of at least 15 clock hours per week while in college during regular semester timeframes (do not include post-graduation employment, extracurricular activities/ volunteer/community service). Please provide contact information for someone who can confirm your participation in said activities. If not applicable, please enter N/A. (Max: 750 characters)
- 5. Have you completed the CASPer assessment (Yes or No)? If not, do you have a scheduled test date? If so, when is that scheduled date? (Max: 100 characters)

**Boston University - Instructions to access supplemental application** 

### **Bryant University**

- 1. If you are a reapplicant, please explain what you have done to improve your current application? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. If necessary, please provide additional information related to content in your application for consideration by the Admissions Committee (i.e. explanation of course failures/withdrawals, repeated courses, gaps in employment/educational history, etc.). (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Please write about a patient care experience that impacted your decision to apply to PA School. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. The Bryant University PA Program has a strong desire to accept students that embody the spirit of our Mission and Goals. Describe how your past experiences and future plans, relate to our Mission and Goals? (Max: 5000 characters)\
- 5. Required documents:
  - a. CV/Resume

# **Butler University**

- 1. If a lab was included in your general/inorganic/analytical chemistry lecture courses and is not listed separately on your transcript, provide a link to the course descriptions and upload these course descriptions in the Documents section of the application. (Max: 1000 characters)
- If a lab was included in your organic chemistry lecture course and is not listed separately on your transcript, provide a link to the course description and upload this course description in the Documents section of the application. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Describe your service experience(s) where you effectively provided benefit. When describing your experience(s), please include the impact your work had on the individual(s) with whom you interacted. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 4. Describe your leadership experience(s) where you were effective in your position. When describing your experience(s), please include the position and the impact your leadership had on the individual(s) with whom you interacted. (Max: 5000 characters)

#### **California Baptist University**

- 1. Why do you want to attend California Baptist University? Describe in 250 words or less.(Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. Have you competed as an NCAA/NAIA, semiprofessional, or professional athlete domestically or internationally? If so, please describe your involvement. If not, please put "N/A". (Max: 250 characters)

# **California State University - San Bernadino (Developing Program)**

- 1. Why do you think cultural humility is important in healthcare? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Share any previous leadership experience and/or explain any interest in future leadership as a physician assistant. (Max: 1500 characters)

- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# **Campbell University - Supplemental Application Site**

# **Canisius University**

- Using 600 words or less, please address the following: We seek to eliminate healthcare disparity
  and improve the wellbeing of underserved populations by developing competent,
  compassionate, and mindful clinicians who may not share a similar background as their patients.
  Tell us about an experience that has broadened your own view of social justice and has
  enhanced your ability to understand those unlike yourself. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Clinical/Professional
    - i. Please upload formal documentation of the community service activities you have completed. Our program requires completion of a minimum of 100 hours of community service prior to applying for our program. Examples of formal documentation include a community service log signed by a supervisor, certificate of completion, or similar documentation.
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Other

# **Carlow University**

- 1. Please identify the main reason(s) you decided to apply specifically to Carlow University's PA Program. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. Required Documents:
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
  - b. CV/Resume

#### **Carroll University**

- What specifically interests you about the Carroll University Master of Science in Physician
  Assistant Studies Program and why do you believe you would be a good fit for the program?
  Please answer in approximately 300 words or less. Maximum characters allowed (with spaces) is
  2500 characters.
- 2. Carroll University and the PA program are committed to a culture where students of all backgrounds can grow and thrive by embracing diversity, equity, inclusion, and social justice. An inclusive healthcare force is essential in reducing the racial health disparities in the US. The PA

profession must play an important role towards achieving health equity. What actions might you take to enhance a diverse, equitable and inclusive culture as a PA student and eventually, a practicing PA? Please answer in approximately 300 words or less. Maximum characters allowed (with spaces) is 2500 characters.

#### **Case Western Reserve University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Other: This one PDF should list a brief description and number of hours for each of your Community Service experiences for the past five years. Community service completed prior to the past five years should not be included. At the end of this document please calculate and list the total number of hours you have completed and list that number both in this document and in the CWRU PA Program question about community service.

# **Cedarville University**

- In 500 words or less, please provide a unique response to the following question: How did your healthcare and/or volunteer experience shape and influence your decision to become a PA? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. In 500 words or less, please provide a unique response to the following question: How do you plan to be "on mission" for Christ in your professional vocation as a PA? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. In 500 words or less, please provide a unique response to the following prompt: Building on your answer to the CASPA Life Experiences essay, what are some unique ways that your experiences will help diversify the classroom and add depth and richness to the educational experience of all students in the program? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 4. Please provide the Application Review Committee any relevant information about your academic performance. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Licenses
  - b. Catalog Course Descriptions
  - c. Other

# **Central Michigan University**

- \* Must submit \$50 supplemental application fee on separate website
  - 1. Required Documentation
    - a. CV/Resume

# **Chamberlain University**

1. (Optional) Please list your plans to complete any pending admission requirements (prerequisite coursework, GRE, etc.). (Max: 1000 characters)

# **Chapman University**

- 1. If you indicated that you have previously applied to Chapman University's PA Program, please describe what you have done in the past year to improve your application for this cycle. If not, please enter N/A. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Required documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Clinical Professional
  - b. Licenses/Certificates
  - c. Other

### Charles Drew University - N/A

# **Charleston Southern University**

- 1. How did you hear about the CSU PA Program? (Max: 200 characters)
- 2. What interests you the most about CSU's PA Program? Why? (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. Please list specific leadership roles you have held: (Max: 1500 characters)
- Have you been a volunteer in any capacity in the past four years? If so, please describe your service experience and list approximately how many hours you have served. (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Were you a collegiate athlete? (Max: 200 characters)
- 6. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 7. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License
  - c. Military Papers
  - d. Others

### Chatham University - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Descriptions

# **Clarkson University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Clinical Professional
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
  - c. Clinical/Professional

# **College of Saint Mary**

- \*Answer the following questions in short essay format (4-5 sentences)
  - 1. How do you motivate yourself for work of less interest to you? (Max: 500 characters)
  - 2. Describe a time when you observed someone being treated disrespectfully. Why did you find this situation disrespectful? (Max: 500 characters)
  - 3. Discuss something you've achieved that you've most proud of and why. (Max: 500 characters)

# College of St. Scholastica

- 1. If you have previously applied to The College of St. Scholastica's PA Medicine program, please explain what you have done to strengthen your application. If not, please enter N/A. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. How do you see this program helping you achieve your professional goals? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. How do you challenge stereotypes and promote sensitivity and inclusion? (Max: 1500 characters)

### **Colorado Mesa University**

- \* Must submit supplemental application fee on separate website
  - 1. In 250 words or less, please articulate your commitment to the CMU Master of Physician Assistant Studies Program mission and vision and how you have exemplified those values. (Max: 3000 characters)

### **Commonwealth University**

 Please explain how you meet criteria for underserved exposure based on the HPSA and MUA guidelines (for example lack of access to care related to distance, population to provider ratio, or rational service area): <a href="https://data.hrsa.gov/tools/shortage-area">https://data.hrsa.gov/tools/shortage-area</a> (Max: 150 characters)

# **Concord University - Developing Program**

1. If you have any self-identified deficiencies (withdrawals, repeated prerequisite, etc.) in your academic performance you wish to explain to the admissions committee, please use the space below. (Max: 1500 characters)

Concordia University - Michigan - N/A

Cornell University - N/A

Creighton University - Phoenix - Supplemental Application via invitation only

Creighton University - Omaha - Supplemental Application via invitation only

### **CUNY York College - N/A**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Documentation of Health Care Experience (HCE)
  - b. Current Resume
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Advanced Placement Scores
  - c. CLEP Exam Scores
  - d. Course Catalog Descriptions

D'Youville University - N/A

Daemen University - N/A

### **Delaware Valley University**

- 1. Please describe any connections you have to the greater Delaware Valley region. Your answer is for informational purposes and does not reflect priority admission in any way.
  - a. Do you have any connections to the greater Delaware Valley region (defined as a 90-mile radius from Doylestown, PA) including personal, family, employment/school related, etc.? (Max: 400 characters)
- 2. Please describe any specific aspects of the Delaware Valley region that interest you to potentially study in this community or maintain employment in the area upon graduation.(Max: 400 characters)

# **Des Moines University**

- 1. Why are you choosing to apply to Des Moines University? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. If you are reapplying to our program, in what ways have you improved your application for this year? If you are not a re-applicant, please respond with N/A. (Max: 250 characters)
- 3. Please list your plans to complete any pending requirements (coursework, bachelor's degree, healthcare experience, PA shadowing). If you have already completed all requirements, please indicate so. (Max: 150 characters)
- 4. Have you spent time shadowing an alumnus of the Des Moines University PA program? If yes, please enter the person's name. If no, respond with N/A. (Max: 250 characters)
- 5. Do you have any relatives who are Des Moines University alumni? If yes, please indicate the person's name(s) and degree(s) earned. If no, please respond with N/A.
- 6. Did you work closely with a Pre-health Advisor at your college/university? If yes, please indicate the person's name and at what institution they work. If no, please respond with N/A. (Max: 250 characters)

# **Desales University - N/A**

# **Dominican University**

- 1. Please use this space only to elaborate on or clarify information noted in your application (e.g. Infraction details; low GPAs; for re-applicants: what have you done to improve your current application; etc.) (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. This is a question for you to elaborate on your thoughts on the listed scenario. Please use no more than 500 words in your answer.
  - a. Tell us about a situation in which you had to adjust to changes that you may have disagreed with? How did you handle it? (Max: 9999 characters)

### **Dominican University of California**

1. Please explain in 800 characters or less why you have decided to apply to the Dominican University of California PA Program. \* (Required) (Max: 800 characters)

### **Drexel University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Descriptions
  - b. Military Papers
  - c. Other AP/IB Scores

#### **Drury University**

- 1. Please use this space to address any identified application deficiencies such as low GPA, repeated prerequisites, course withdrawals, incompletes, or any other areas you feel we should know more about. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Please use this space to provide details about your candidacy that is not covered in the application or narrative section. (Max: 500 characters)

# Duke University Medical Center - Supplemental Application via invitation only

# **East Carolina University**

- 1. Admission to our program is highly competitive. If you feel your GPA is less competitive and would like to provider further detail regarding such, please do so here. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Clinical hour documentation
  - b. Transcripts
  - c. Standardized test scores

### Eastern Michigan University - N/A

# Eastern Virginia Medical School - Early Assurance Program - for select undergraduate universities

- 1. If relevant, please provide additional information about your academic performance for the admission's committee consideration. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Personal Statement
  - c. Clinical/Professional
  - d. Other
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. License
  - b. Other

#### **Emory & Henry College - Supplemental Application Site**

1. Please explain, in three paragraphs or less, why you feel the Emory & Henry College Physician Assistant Program is the best program to pursue for your PA education. Note that this should not be about why you want to be a PA, but rather why you want to pursue PA education here at

Emory & Henry College Master of Physician Assistant Studies Program and why you believe this program is the right fit for you. (Max: 2000 characters)

- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# **Emory University - Supplemental Application Site**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Supplemental application copy
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# **Fairleigh Dickinson University**

- 1. Reflect upon your knowledge of the PA Profession. Select three (3) characteristics that you believe best define a PA, and explain why you selected those traits. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. How has a personal/professional failure impacted your growth as a person? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. How did your patient contact or healthcare-related experiences influence your decision to select the PA profession? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 4. How did your coursework in your undergraduate major prepare you for becoming a PA student? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - Personal Statement: one page document discussing your reason(s) for applying to Farleigh Dickinson PA Program
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours

# **Faulkner University**

- 1. Why are you interested in coming to Faulkner University for your PA education? (Max: 250 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Descriptions

### Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine

- 1. What aspect of the FIU MPAS program lead to your decision to apply? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. What personal characteristics and skills make you well suited for this program? (Max: 1000 characters)

- 3. Address any deficiencies (if applicable) with your application (prereqs, grades etc.). Discuss your ability to be successful despite these deficiencies and include strategy you will use to succeed. Enter NA if not applicable. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. How did you learn about MPAS at FIU: MPAS website, recruitment event/fair (identify), presentation (identify), MPAS Information Session, Pre Health Advisor, s friend, a PA, and/or other? (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing. Healthcare Hours
  - b. Clinical/Professional
  - c. Publications
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Licenses
  - b. Catalog Course Descriptions
  - c. Military Papers

# Florida State University

- \* Must submit supplemental application fee on separate website
  - 1. Required Documents
    - a. Direct Patient Care Experience Form

# **Franklin College**

- 1. How did you originally hear about the Physician Assistant Program at Franklin College? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Briefly, what attracts you to this program? (Max: 2000 characters)

# Franklin Pierce University - Arizona - N/A

# Franklin Pierce University - New Hampshire - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Other

# Franklin Pierce University - Texas - N/A

# **Frostburg State University**

1. In 500 words or less please answer the following: The Mission of Frostburg State University's Physician Assistant Program is to educate students to provide compassionate, patient-centered care grounded in best practices and delivered through interprofessional teams. Our graduates

excel in quality care for underserved populations in the Western Maryland region, demonstrate a commitment to inclusiveness, are prepared to utilize innovative technologies, and aim to better the communities they serve. Please explain how your admission characteristics align with the program's mission. (Max: 5000 characters)

- 2. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# **Frostburg State University**

- 1. In 500 words or less please answer the following: The Mission of Frostburg State University's Physician Assistant Program is to educate students to provide compassionate, patient-centered care grounded in best practices and delivered through interprofessional teams. Our graduates excel in quality care for underserved populations in the Western Maryland region, demonstrate a commitment to inclusiveness, are prepared to utilize innovative technologies, and aim to better the communities they serve. Please explain how your admission characteristics align with the program's mission. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

#### **Gannon State University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Description

# **Gardner Webb University**

- 1. How did you learn about the Gardner-Webb University PA Studies program? (Max: 999 characters)
- 2. Describe your specific interest in the Gardner-Webb University PA Studies program. (Max: 999 characters)
- 3. If accepted, what would you see as your greatest potential contribution to the class? (Max: 999 characters)
- 4. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

b. Military Papers

# George Fox University - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Others

# George Washington University - 3 Year MPH/PA

- 1. Why are you pursuing the joint Physician Assistant/Public Health program? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. At GW PA, we strive to create a diverse and inclusive learning community of students who embody our program mission. So that we may get to know you better as a complete person, please provide a written answer to each of the following prompts in 700 characters or less per prompt. The embedded questions should serve as a guide in framing your responses, however you do not need to answer all the questions contained in each item. You are welcome to draw upon information already shared in the Experiences tab, personal statement, or other parts of your application. By submitting your responses, you are acknowledging that they are your own work and were written by you alone.
  - a. Describe a situation where you positively influenced or led others. (For example: What was your role? What responsibilities did you assume? Did you encounter any obstacles? If so, how did you overcome them?) (Max: 700 characters)
- 3. Describe a service activity or activities you have provided to a community or organization. How has your involvement contributed to it? (For example: How long were you involved with this group and why did you choose to get involved?) (Max: 700 characters)
- 4. Describe an interaction where you were involved or witnessed an act where an individual or group was being treated unfairly or discriminated against. What did you learn from the experience? (Max: 700 characters)
- 5. Reflect upon a specific situation when you received constructive feedback. How did you respond and what, if anything, did you learn? (For example: How did you feel after receiving the feedback?) (Max: 700 characters)
- 6. Describe a situation when you utilized a support person or network to achieve a personal goal. (For example: What did you learn about yourself in completing this goal? How did achieving this goal impact you?) (Max: 700 characters)
- 7. Describe how you responded to a stressful situation. What did you learn from the situation? (Max: 700 characters)
- 8. If you previously applied to the George Washington University PA or PA/MPH program, in which cycle(s) did you do so? (Max: 300 characters)
- 9. Please specify which GW PA program you applied to previously and briefly describe how you have strengthened your application since your prior application. (Max: 1500 characters)

# Grand Valley State - Traverse City - Sent via email after CASPA verification

1. How have you equipped yourself to understand and aid in the pursuit of equity and inclusion in your academic and/or personal life? (Max: 750 characters)

# Hardin-Simmons University - N/A

#### **Harding University**

- 1. If you have had a pattern of significant academic difficulty in the past and would like to provide a brief explanation, you may do so here.
- 2. If you answered the above question, what have you learned about yourself from these academic difficulties and what techniques have you implemented to overcome them?
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# Hawaii Pacific University (Developing Program)

- Please describe which aspects of your life experiences, interests, and character would make you
  a distinctive contributor to the Hawai'i Pacific University Physician Assistant Program. (Max: 2000
  characters)
- 2. Given our innovative educational model, please provide 3 reasons (personal traits, learning style, etc.) that support why you would be successful in our program. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 3. Reflect on a time when you have worked to serve a community to which you feel connected. Why have these efforts been meaningful to you? You may define community however you like. (Max: 2000 characters)

#### High Point University - N/A

### **Hofstra University**

- 1. Please list the 3 top reasons you are applying to the Hofstra PA program and place them in priority order. (Max: 150 characters)
- 2. How do you align with Hofstra PA program's mission? Please discuss, briefly. (700 characters).

### **Idaho State University**

- 1. If you previously applied to the ISU PA program, please indicate the year(s) that you submitted your application. If this is your first application, please enter NA.
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

#### Indiana School of Health and Human Sciences

- Describe how your experiences inside and outside of the classroom have prepared you to manage both the demands of a rigorous curriculum and the maturity and professionalism necessary while enrolled in a physician assistant program. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Other: Declaration of Intent to Complete Degree Requirement Form
  - b. Catalog Course Description

# **Ithaca College**

- 1. The vision of the Ithaca College Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program is to be recognized for its servant leadership through an equity framework and innovative thinking. Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) are part of our values. How do your experiences impact what JEDI means to you? As a Physician Assistant, how would you serve and improve healthcare for systemically disadvantaged, underserved, or vulnerable populations? (2500-5000 characters)
- 2. How did you hear about the Ithaca College Physician Assistant Program? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. From the last 5 years, describe your experiences of working collaboratively on a team such as committees, jobs, or athletics. Minimum 1000 characters. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 4. Describe how you are a servant leader, and provide an example of your servant leadership experience. Minimum 1000 characters. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 5. Describe your patient care experiences and include experiences, if any, working with systemically disadvantaged, underserved, or vulnerable populations. Minimum 1000 characters. (Max: 2500 characters)

# James Madison University - Supplemental Application Site

- 1. How many hands-on patient care hours do you CURRENTLY have? Please DO NOT include medical scribe hours or future hours.
- 2. If you have less than 1,000 hands-on patient contact hours, how do you plan to attain the remainder of the required hours? (Max: 250 characters)
- 3. Why did you apply to JMU? (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. Is there anything else you would like us to know about you? (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. Other: completed James Madison University Graduate School application

#### Johnson & Wales University

1. In your own words, please list your top three reasons for applying to JWU. (Max: 9999 characters)

### **Kansas State University**

- 1. How did you first hear about the PA Profession/PA Education? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. What is the most influential factor in your decision to apply to PA School? (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. How do you envision yourself practicing medicine 5 years from now? (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. What is your understanding of Humanism in Medicine, and do you think that is an important factor when dealing with a diverse patient population? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Clinical/Professional certifications/licensure
  - b. Military Papers

#### **Keck Graduate Institute**

- 1. In what ways do you believe KGI uniquely aligns with your future professional goals? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. How can PAs be leaders in healthcare? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 3. An entrepreneurial or innovative spirit is central to KGI's overall mission of healthcare delivery. Tell us about a time when you were able to create/implement an innovative idea or a new solution for an existing problem and reflect on how this would apply to your future career as a PA. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 4. Tell us about any life experiences you have had (unrelated to academics) where you have utilized grit to persevere through difficult circumstances. Such experiences could include (but are not limited to) those related to race/ethnicity and/or immigration status, residence in a medically underserved area, personal health issues, mental health and wellbeing, being a primary caregiver for a loved one, financial hardship, or inability to access financial aid. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 5. What do you like to do in your spare time outside of healthcare or academics? (Max: 2000 characters)

### **Kettering College - N/A**

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Other Medical Graduates submit USMLE Step 1

# King's College - N/A

# Lake Erie College - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours (4x)

# Le Moyne College - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# Lincoln Memorial University - Harrogate - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

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### **Lincoln Memorial University - Knoxville**

- For any prerequisite course in which you believe the grade recorded does not reflect your
  mastery of course material, please describe the factors (such as personal attributes, external
  challenges, peer support, etc.) that you believe contributed to the recorded grade. (Max: 9999
  characters)
- 2. How did you hear about the LMU-Knoxville PA Program? (Max: 250 characters)
- 3. Optional statement reviewed by the Admissions Committee and faculty reviewers. The Lincoln Memorial University-Knoxville Physician Assistant Program continuously strives to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in all that we do. Each student applicant's lived experience provides an opportunity to contribute to the program's goal of fostering an atmosphere of community, support, and mutual respect for all students, faculty, and staff. Please share the ways in which your personal identities, experiences, or perspectives will enrich the program's DEI efforts at the program, institution, and/or community levels. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# **Lipscomb University - N/A**

\* Must submit \$75 supplemental application fee on separate website

# Loma Linda University - N/A

# Long Island University - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# Louisiana State University Health Science Center - New Orleans - N/A

### **Louisiana State University Health Science Center - Shreveport**

- 1. Briefly describe to the admissions committee why you want to come to Shreveport, Louisiana for PA school. Do not include "Why I want to be a PA" here. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. Have you attended a program or event on the LSU Health Shreveport campus? If yes, what event? (Max: 100 characters)

# **Marietta College**

- 1. How do your goals align with the mission of the Marietta College Physician Assistant program? (Max: 1000 characters)
- If you were given a 'menu' listing a variety of skills necessary to be a successful Physician Assistant, which skills would you select to build your 3-course meal and why? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. What discipline would you consider in your first five years of practice and why? (Max: 1000 characters)

### **Marist College**

- 1. How did you hear about the Marist College Master of Science Physician Assistant Studies program? (Max: 250 characters)
- 2. Why do you think the Marist College Master of Science Physician Assistant Studies program is a good fit for you? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. Are you or a family member associated with Marist College? (Max: 200 characters)
- 4. If you feel the need to explain any significant employment gaps (6 months or greater) or extended breaks while completing your undergraduate degree, please feel free to do so here. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# **Marquette College**

- \* Must submit \$85 supplemental application fee on separate website after CASPA is verified
- 1. Please share any additional information about you or your application you would like the admissions committee to know. (Max: 2500 characters)

# **Marshall B Ketchum University**

- \* Must submit \$50 supplemental application fee on separate website
- 1. Discuss the three most important priorities in your life, and how they apply to your interest in our PA program. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. What do you expect to contribute to this University and community? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. Choose one of the following topics to write about: (a) Tell us about a person from history or present day who has influenced your life, and how. (b) Tell us about a talent or interest you have outside of medicine. (c) Tell us about a book you read in the last year that had a big impact on you, and why. (d) Where do you see yourself in five years? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 4. If you do not have a competitive application (GPA. patient care hours, etc.), please tell us what you have done to improve your application. If not applicable, please enter "N/A." (Max: 1500 characters)
- 5. If you are a re-applicant to Marshall B. Ketchum University, what have you done to improve your application since then? If you are not a re-applicant, please enter "N/A." (Max: 2000 characters)
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# Marshall University - by invite only

\*Must submit supplemental application fee (\$40 domestic / \$150 international applicants)

### Mary Baldwin University (Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences) - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Description
  - b. CV/Resume
  - c. License

# Marywood University - N/A

# Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) - Boston

1. Please describe how your background and experiences have prepared you to engage with diverse patients effectively. Please give examples. (Max: 3000 characters)

- 2. Please explain any withdrawals, failures, or leaves of absence on your transcripts. (Max: 750 characters)
- 3. Explain any gaps greater than one year on your resume. (Max: 750 characters)
- 4. If you are a re-applicant to MCPHS University, please write a brief statement describing steps you have taken to strengthen your overall application to the PA program since last applying. (Max: 750 characters)

# Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) - Manchester

1. There are more than 200 PA programs in the United States. Please describe why you want to attend the PA program at MCPHS in Manchester. Please include specific impressions you have of MCPHS and the Manchester area. (Max: 5000 characters)

# Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) - Worcester

- 1. There are more than 200 PA programs in the United States. Please describe why you want to attend the PA program at MCPHS in Worcester. Please include specific impressions you have of MCPHS and the Worcester area. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 2. Please explain any withdrawals, failures, or leaves of absence in your transcripts. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. If you are a re-applicant to MCPHS, please write a brief statement describing steps you have taken to strengthen your overall application to the Accelerated MPAS program since your last application. (Max: 7500 characters)
- 4. Do you have any relatives who are current students, faculty, or alumni of MCPHS? If so, who? (Max: 1000 characters)

# **Medical University of South Carolina**

- Briefly describe something unique from your background that will add value to the MUSC Physician Assistant Studies program. This could be something personal or professional that sets you apart from another candidate. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. If you previously applied to MUSC's PA program but were not accepted, briefly describe what you've done to strengthen your application. (If this is your first application, please enter "First application") (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resme
- 4. Optional
  - a. Licenses
  - b. Military Paper

# **Meharry Medical College**

- 1. The mission of the Meharry Medical College Physician Assistant Sciences Program is to increase the number of students from underrepresented groups in medicine (URiM) into the PA profession. Students will be equipped with the ability to demonstrate cultural humility, provide evidence-based and compassionate care to all patients they encounter, and foster a commitment to community service in underserved populations through equity, justice, and lifelong learning. Based on your previous experience, how have you demonstrated your ability to fit the MMC PAS mission? (Max: 1500 characters)
- What has been your most impactful community service and/or volunteer experience in recent years (4 or fewer)? How long did you volunteer, and how did you impact others? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. What challenge(s) have you experienced on your journey to PA school? What did you learn that will be beneficial to you during your PA training? (Max: 1500 characters)

# Mercy College - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Description
  - b. CV/Resume
  - c. Military Papers

# **Mercy College of Ohio**

- 1. How do your personal mission, vision, and/or goals as a PA student align with and support one of the Mission, Vision, and/or Goals of the Mercy College of Ohio Physician Assistant Program, and what significance does this alignment hold for you? (Max: 750 characters)
- Explain your understanding of growth mindset and how this would benefit you within the Mercy College of Ohio curriculum, particularly in courses like the Clinical Integration and Decision Making series, which emphasize team-based learning. (Max: 750 characters)
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License

# **Mercyhurst University**

- 1. What influenced you the most to apply to Mercyhurst? (Max: 200 characters)
- 2. Agency/person who referred you to Mercyhurst? (Max: 200 characters)
- 3. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours

- 4. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Descriptions

# Methodist University - N/A

#### MGH Institute of Health Professions

- 1. MGH Institute of Health Professions is committed to equity and anti-oppression efforts. We invite you to share your understanding and/or experience of equity and anti-oppression. In your role as a PA, how might you promote these efforts? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. Please explain any grades that appear on your transcript(s) as F, D, or withdrawn. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 3. If you are a reapplicant to the MGH IHP MPAS program, please explain what you have done, both academically and professionally, to strengthen your application since you last applied. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 4. Please feel free to include additional, relevant information you feel is important for the Admission Committee to consider when reviewing your application. (Max: 5000 characters)

# **Miami University**

- 1. If you have NOT completed the required 20 hours of PA shadowing in a clinical setting and uploaded the documents to CASPA, please explain when and how you plan to fulfill this requirement. Please note forms can be obtained by emailing <a href="mailto:pastudies@miamioh.edu">pastudies@miamioh.edu</a> (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. If you have NOT completed the minimum 200 patient care hours and uploaded the documents to CASPA, please explain how you plan to fulfill this requirement. Please note forms can be obtained by emailing <a href="mailto:pastudies@miamioh.edu">pastudies@miamioh.edu</a> (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. If you have NOT completed the reference section and requested 3 letters of recommendation (one from a clinician such as a PA/MD/DO; one from a professor or supervisor; one from a professional colleague or mentor), please explain how and when you plan to fulfill this requirement. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. If you have NOT submitted your official GRE scores to our institution (program code 3372), please explain how and when you plan to fulfill this requirement. Please note our program does not have a minimum GRE score requirement, and we super-score the GRE. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. Our program gives preference to candidates during the review process with the below attributes.
   Applicants who are Graduates of Miami University Applicants who are Veterans of the Armed Forces Applicants with research experience Applicants who are residents of rural, partially rural, Appalachian Ohio as defined by Ohio Rural Health Association. Please see listing of counties on our website. Program also gives preference to candidates with strong academic

- foundation. Do any of these attributes apply to you? If so, please define below. (Max: 4000 characters)
- 6. At Miami University's PA Program we highly value other non-academic attributes such as leadership, volunteerism, diversity of life experiences and success in overcoming adversity. We additionally value individuals who are first-generation college students, are from an underrepresented medical minority group, or who are economically disadvantaged. If applicable, share experiences of the aforementioned. (Max: 4000 characters)
- 7. How do you embody the mission and vision of Miami University's PA Program? (Max: 4000 characters)
- 8. How did you first learn about Miami University's Physician Associate Program? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 9. Why did you choose to apply to Miami University's Physician Associate Program? (Max: 4000 characters)
- 10. Please explain any academic deficiencies you have on your transcript, if applicable. (Max: 4000 characters)
- 11. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
  - c. Catalog Course Descriptions (Anatomy and Physiology)

# Michigan State University - by invitation only

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

### Middle Tennessee State University

1. If you previously applied to MTSU or any other PA program, what steps have you taken to improve your application since the last time you applied? If you are a first-time PA applicant, please type N/A. (Max: 600 characters)

### **Midwestern University - Downers Grove**

1. Please discuss any deficiencies in your application that have not already been addressed. (Max: 300 characters)

Midwestern University - Glendale - N/A

Milligan University - N/A

### **Misericordia University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Personal Statement
    - i. A personal statement in which the applicant clearly and concisely describes why they have chosen to apply to the Misericordia PA Program, their understanding of the PA role in a healthcare setting, and why they want to become a PA. Title the personal statement with your name in bold print. Upload the completed personal statement in this document tab.
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Others

# Mississippi College - N/A

# Mississippi State University

1. What interested you in our program? (Max: 200 characters)

# **Missouri State University**

- 1. If you have previously applied to the Missouri State PA program, briefly note updates made to strengthen your application. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Missouri State University's identity is distinguished by its public affairs mission, which entails a campus-wide commitment to foster expertise and responsibility in ethical leadership, cultural competence and community engagement. In accordance with this, the Missouri State University Physician Assistant Program seeks to prepare highly competent physician assistant graduates to practice primary care medicine, particularly in rural and inner city areas of need, in the context of team delivered care in a rapidly evolving health care arena. Please discuss how your background and experiences have influenced your ability to meet the mission of the MSU PA program. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. Do you have leadership experience? If so, please describe your leadership activities. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 4. Have you demonstrated a commitment to service activities? If yes, please describe your involvement in national, regional, or local public service activities. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 5. The MSU PA program values diverse/inclusive life experiences including but not limited to, U.S. military experience, first generation college students, diverse upbringing/background, or unique life experiences through education, work, and volunteerism. Please share your diverse/inclusive life experience(s). How do you believe your experience(s) will add to a PA cohort and the learning environment, whether in the classroom or clinical setting? (Max: 1500 characters)

6. Regardless of your background, the college journey presents unique challenges. Reflect on your experiences, including any obstacles you have overcome—noting your experience as a first-generation college student or not. Consider how these challenges influenced your personal growth, aspirations, and the valuable lessons you have learned along the way. (Max: 1500 characters)

### **Monmouth University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Description
    - i. For all the courses that you have matched to Monmouth's pre-requisite requirements (completed, in progress or planned) please upload a document (word or PDF) containing the name of the school, title of the classes and course descriptions of all classes listed including all information about lab hours for pre-requisites where a lab is required.

# **Morehouse School of Medicine**

- Please describe ways in which you have demonstrated a commitment and/or experience in promoting and advancing health equity in your past or present endeavors. (Max: 9999 characters)
- Please indicate any special experiences, unusual factors or other information you feel would be helpful in evaluating your application, including but not limited to the following: education, employment, extra curricular activities, and/or prevailing over adversity (academic or economic disadvantages). (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. Are you a part of our Atlanta University Center Consortium legacy? (Attended an AUC school, or an MSM pipeline or degree program) If so, please explain how. (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Military Papers

# **Mount St. Joseph University**

- List the course(s) you plan to take to fulfill the missing pre-requisite(s), not included at the time
  of submission. Indicate the institution, course name/number and estimated timeline for
  completion. If you have already completed these courses, please type N/A. (Max: 500
  characters)
- 2. If you are a re-applicant to our program, what have you done to improve your application since the last time you applied? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. How do you embody the mission and vision of Mount St. Joseph University's PA Program? (Max: 500 characters)

- 4. Mount St. Joseph University's PA program highly values other non-academic attributes. If applicable, share diverse life experiences relating to success in overcoming adversity. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 5. Describe a time when you realized you were wrong about something. How did you address it? Has that experience changed the way you work in healthcare? (Max: 500 characters)
- 6. Please explain any academic deficiencies (grades of C or lower) you have on your transcript, if applicable. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 7. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours

# New York Institute of Technology - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Description

# North Carolina A&T State University (Developing Program)

- 1. What do you see as the most likely practice scenario for your future career as a PA? (Max: 300 characters)
- 2. We strongly encourage you to share unique, personally important, and/or challenging factors in your background, Please discuss how such factors have influenced your goals and preparation for a career as a PA. (Max: 300 characters)
- 3. Self-compassion and compassion for our patients are equally important for PAs. What are your tools for self-compassion and when do you need to use them? (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. How do you believe food and housing insecurity impact the health and well-being of individuals? (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. License

#### **North Central College**

- 1. Please use this space to tell us anything about yourself or your application that you would like to explain further. (200 character limit)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
  - b. Clinical Professional

# North Greenville University - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers

# Northeastern State University - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# **Northern Arizona University**

- 1. The mission of the Northern Arizona University Physician Assistant (PA) Program is to educate individuals from inclusive backgrounds and lived experiences and graduate physician assistants who provide high quality, compassionate medical care to the people of Arizona. In what way(s) will you contribute to the mission of the program? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. If you previously applied to any PA program(s), please describe how you have improved your application for this year. If you are not a reapplicant, answer "Not applicable." (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. Academic challenges and life's obstacles may impact the ability to be successful. Some indicators of this impact include D or F grades or excessive C grades, course drops or withdrawals, or frequent repeated courses, etc. If applicable, please explain any circumstances that may have affected your ability to reach your academic goals. Include strategies you implemented to address any of these indicators. If this question does not apply to you, answer "Not applicable." (Max: 3000 characters)
- 4. The rigorous nature of PA education requires a student to be consistent, reliable, and timely. Certain circumstances may impact the ability to maintain a rigorous academic history. Some indicators of the effect of these circumstances include long gaps in course enrollment, low semester course loads, and extended time to completion of degrees. If applicable, describe the circumstances related to any of these indicators in your application. If this question does not apply to you, answer "Not applicable." (Max: 3000 characters)

### **Northwest University**

- 1. Does your academic record reflect any challenges, if so, what are they? (Max: 750 characters)
- 2. Do you have any gaps in your education or work history? If yes, please explain. If no gaps, enter N/A. Max: 250 characters)
- 3. Please explain, in priority order, the top three reasons you are applying to Northwest University's PA program. (Max: 2500 characters)

- 4. How have you demonstrated alignment with our mission, vision, and goals? Please provide specific examples of personal attributes and/or activities. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 5. How do you plan to live out/fulfill our mission, vision, and goals as a graduate of this program? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 6. If you have applied to Northwest University's PA program in a previous cycle, how have you strengthened your application? (Max: 500 characters)
- 7. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# **Northwestern College**

- 1. How do you feel you will exemplify Northwestern College PA Program's mission and vision as a student? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. What most intrigues you about learning in a faith-based environment? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 3. Describe an instance when you collaborated with someone whose perspectives or cultural background varied from yours. How did you navigate these differences to achieve your shared objective? (Max: 2000 characters)
- (Optional) You may submit additional information to help us understand your academic record.
   Do you believe your academic record accurately reflects your academic ability? (Max: 2000 characters)

### Northwestern University - Supplemental Application Site

#### Notre Dame of Maryland University

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Personal Statement
    - i. Response Topic: What unique skills or attributes do you possess that will contribute to you becoming a collaborative, socially responsible Physician Assistant? Please provide real-world examples to support your answers. One page, double spaced. Arial or Calibri font.
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare hours
    - i. Documentation of Direct Patient Care Experiences: (Minimum of 500 Hours Required; 2000 Hours is Most Competitive) Applicants are to compile a file of signed statements from each supervisor who oversaw the applicant during direct patient care experience(s.) Supervisors provide a summary of the experiences they observed, the Total Number of Hours that the applicant spent in Patient Care Activities and apply a hand-written Signature and Date to the document.
  - c. Clinical/Professional

i. Shadowing a Physician Assistant: Applicants are required to shadow a Clinically Practicing Physician Assistant (PA) for at least 40 Hours; 50 shadowing hours are optimal. Applicants may shadow more than 1 Physician Assistant to obtain these hours. The PA mentors are responsible for providing a summary of the types of experiences observed during the shadowing, total number of hours, with a hand-written signature and date. The applicant is responsible to upload the signed document file here.

#### d. CV Resume

i. Each applicant should include a succinct resume or CV, no longer than 2 pages in length. Applicants are encouraged to highlight any academic, personal, or professional accomplishments of significance. Applicants who hold a healthcare related license, certification, or registration should include a notation in their resume/CV. Also include dates of expirations for any such professional designations.

# **Nova Southeastern University - Fort Lauderdale**

1. What criteria would you consider important in selecting one physician assistant program over another? (Max: 500 characters)

### **Nova Southeastern University - Fort Myers**

1. What criteria would you consider important in selecting one physician assistant program over another? (Max: 500 characters)

# **Nova Southeastern University - Jacksonville**

- 1. What criteria would you consider important in selecting one physician assistant program over another? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License

### **Nova Southeastern University - Orlando**

1. What criteria would you consider important in selecting one physician assistant program over another? (Max: 500 characters)

### **Ohio Dominican University**

- 1. If you are currently in the process of completing any prerequisite coursework, please list here. (Max: 300 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Other

# **Ohio University**

- 1. Do you have any connections to the greater Columbus, Ohio area (defined as a 90 mile radius from Columbus, Ohio) including personal, family, employment/school related, ect.? Please explain. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. Clinical/Professional
    - i. Proof of accumulated non-shadowing healthcare and/or patient care hours reported in CASPA is required. Proof must be on official letterhead from the employer(s) and must contain the following information: your name, dates of employment, job title, job status (full time or part time) and the number of hours worked. The letter must be signed by a HR official or immediate supervisor. Hours accumulated within the past 5 years (2020 - 2024) will be accepted.
  - b. CV/Resume

### **Oklahoma City University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# **Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences**

1. Please describe, in your own words, what qualities and experiences you possess that would make you a unique candidate for the OSU-CHS PA Program? (Max: 2500 characters)

#### **Oregon Health & Sciences University**

- 1. Please describe how your personal or career goals are aligned with the OHSU PA Program mission and why attending our program will help you obtain these goals. (Max: 2250 characters)
- 2. Tell us why you would like to become a PA. In your response, please address your choice to pursue this profession rather than other health professions. What steps did you take to arrive at your decision? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 3. Describe a time you were faced with a setback, failure or put under great pressure. What did you learn from it and how can you apply it to your future as a student or PA? (Max: 2250 characters)

- 4. Please provide an example of a leadership experience and how it is representative of your ability to understand challenges and opportunities, to envision solutions, to take initiative to act, to inspire others to join an effort, and/or to push through resistance in reaching results. How do you plan to further develop these and other leadership skills during PA school? (Max: 2250 characters)
- 5. Please discuss how you plan to contribute to diversity, equity and inclusion in your learning environment, clinical practice and/or in your community. (Max: 2250 characters)
- 6. For Reapplicants Only Please detail efforts you have made to make yourself a more competitive applicant in the following areas: academic preparation, health care experience, PA profession exploration, etc. Mention additional PA resources you may have utilized and expand upon your continued interest in the OHSU PA Program. If you previously interviewed with the program, you may want to discuss thoughts regarding the interview. (Max: 4000 characters)
- 7. Please list any events or activities that you have participated in to inform your decision about applying to OHSU. (Max: 1250 characters)
- 8. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Catalog Course Descriptions
  - c. Military Papers

# Pace University - Lenox Hill Hospital NYC

- If there is anything additional regarding your academic performance that you feel the Admissions Committee should know to better understand your application, please use the space provided below. (Max: 250 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Other (AP Credit)
  - c. License

### Pace University - Pleasantville

- 1. Why are you interested in the Pace Physician Assistant Program-Pleasantville? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours

# **Pacific University - Supplemental Application Site**

1. Please take this opportunity to explain any prerequisites if needed. (Max: 500 characters)

- 2. In order to qualify for the Hawai'i Outreach Initiative, ideally an applicant will meet at least one of the following: current address, permanent address, high school diploma, college diploma, driver's license, or Native Hawaiian ancestry. In addition to the above criteria, please share with us your strong connection to the Hawaiian Islands and why you qualify for the Hawai'i Outreach Initiative. (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. Please explain your long term career goals in relation to practicing in Hawai'i. (Max: 500 characters)

# **Penn State University**

- 1. Why have you chosen to apply to Penn State's Physician Assistant Program? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. What was the biggest challenge that you've encountered and what lesson was learned from this? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. What was the last piece of constructive criticism you received? How did you react to this criticism? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 4. In what way(s) does cultural competency enhance the PA's relationship with a patient? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 5. What single quality will you bring to the class that, if you are not accepted, our class would be missing? (Max: 9999 characters)

### Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine - Georgia

- 1. Use this space if you'd like to address any identified deficiencies in your application. (Max: 700 characters)
- 2. PCOM values diversity in all of its forms. How will you, with your individual background and experiences, contribute to the diversity at our institution? (Max: 1500 characters)

# Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine - Pennsylvania

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#### **Point Loma Nazarene University**

1. Point Loma Nazarene University has a unique mission dedicated to service. Please tell us your experience with service to your community and, if applicable, to underserved populations. Please type your response below. No more than 200 words. (Max: 5000 characters)

## Presbyterian College - N/A

# **Quinnipiac University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Personal Statement
    - In 500 words or less please address the following two questions: What is the
      most difficult thing you have overcome? How have lessons learned from this
      experience prepared you for PA education at Quinnipiac University? (500 words
      or less)
  - b. CV/Resume

## Radford University Carilion - N/A

#### Randolph-Macon College - N/A

#### **Red Rock Community College**

- 1. How do your prior experiences demonstrate you are a match for the Red Rocks Physician Assistant program? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Describe life challenges or obstacles you have overcome to prepare for a successful career as a physician assistant. (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. In what area of medicine do you want to practice? (short answer)
- 4. Explain how your health care relevant experience has prepared you to succeed as a physician assistant. (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Tell us about your interest level in rural, underserved, and/or primary care medicine. (Max: 500 characters)
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

## Rocky Mountain College - N/A

## **Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions**

- The RMUoHP PA program allows applicants to have up to nine credits of prerequisite coursework
  in progress or planned at the time of application submission to CASPA. A feasible plan to
  complete outstanding prerequisite coursework must be documented in the CASPA application.
  You will also need to select the planned courses you will be taking in the Prerequisite section of
  the application.
  - a. Please list any prerequisite coursework that will be completed after your application has been submitted. Include the course name and code, the semester the course will be

taken, and accredited institution where the course will be completed. (Max: 250 characters)

2. How did you hear about RMU? (Max: 999 characters)

#### **Rocky Vista University**

- 1. Please provide a creative autobiography. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. Please describe a stressful experience and its impact on your life. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. Please explain why you are a good match for the PA profession. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 4. Please explain why you are a good match specifically for the RVU PA Program. (Max: 3000 characters)

#### **Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine**

1. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit an optional diversity statement that specifically addresses the following prompt: Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science continuously strives to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in all that we do. Each applicant's lived experience provides an opportunity to contribute to our mission. Please share the ways in which your personal identities, experiences, or perspectives will enrich RFU's DEI efforts at the individual, institutional, or community levels. (This optional statement may be considered for admission and/or scholarship purposes. You may update the information in this section at any time prior to submitting your application.) (Max: 9999 characters)

#### **Rush University**

- Have you previously interviewed at RUSH's PA program? If so, what date did you interview? (Max: 250 characters)
- 2. Why do you want to attend the PA Program at RUSH? (Max: 500 characters)

#### **Rutgers University**

- 1. How has your healthcare experience and/or community service activities influenced your decision to become a Physician Assistant? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. How has your approach to your academic coursework prepared you to be a successful PA student? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 3. Describe your greatest strength and your greatest weakness as it pertains to becoming a PA student and a graduate PA. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 4. Describe your exposure to PAs in clinical practice. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 5. Why did you choose to apply to the RBHS SHP PA Program? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 6. If you are reapplying to Rutgers PA Program, what is different about your candidacy since the last time you applied? (Max: 2000 characters)

- 7. Applicants must complete outstanding prerequisite coursework by the end of the Spring 2025 semester. If you have a plan to fulfill your outstanding prerequisite coursework, please list the following information for each course: 1. The outstanding prerequisite requirement. 2. The name of the course which you plan to use to fulfill the requirement. 3. The name of the institution where you plan to take the course. 4. The semester in which you plan to take the course. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 8. Please list any prerequisite courses which you have taken primarily online: (Max: 9999 characters)

## **Sacred Heart University**

- 1. The CASPA Optional "Life Experiences" Essay is a scored component of the application for the Sacred Heart University MSPAS Program. Failure to complete this essay will result in zero points being awarded for this portion of the application. Within the general CASPA application, navigate to Personal Information-->Other Information, then scroll all the way to the bottom of the page to find the essay prompt. Please type 'Yes' below to acknowledge that you are aware that this 'optional' essay should be completed.
- 2. Share an experience you had with a patient that has impacted your life. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Clinical/Professional
  - b. License
  - c. Military Papers

#### **Saint Catherine University**

- 1. Imagine you are the Director of Admissions for a PA program. Other than academic performance, explain what single characteristic or experience you would find most valuable in applicants when making your acceptance decisions. Then discuss how you demonstrate this characteristic or experience. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 2. How has your life experience prepared you to effectively interact with individuals who are different from you in their social, cultural, or economic perspectives? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 3. If you'd like to be considered for St. Catherine University's Primary Care Scholarship, please also address the following question: What has motivated you to pursue a career in primary care practice? Describe how you plan to make your goal of working in a primary care practice become a reality. (Max: 2500 characters)

## Saint Elizabeth University

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Personal Statement
    - i. Submit one document answering the following questions: Required: 1) How do you see yourself fitting with the Mission, Vision and Goals of the SEU PA

Program and Saint Elizabeth University? 2) What social justice issue you are passionate about and believe you can address as a PA? Optional: If you struggled academically or needed to repeat any coursework, explain how you approached improving your academic ability and skills. Explain how you will apply this experience in the PA Program.

- b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
  - i. Please upload one document listing how you have met the following admissions requirements or your plan to do so: 300 hours of direct patient care experience 16 hours of PA shadowing experience 50 hours of community service Please include location, name of supervisor, duties, dates, and total number of hours.
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# Saint Francis University - Pennsylvania

- 1. Please list the name of the physician assistant, employment location, contact information (e-mail and/or phone number) and the number of hours for each clinical physician assistant that you have shadowed. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Briefly compare and contrast the clinical experience you gained by shadowing two different physician assistants. Did each see patients autonomously, or as a member of a team? How did the settings vary? How many hours did you spend with each? If you have not shadowed two Physician Assistants, please compare to another clinician. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. What about the Saint Francis PA Program specifically appeals to you as a future PA student? (Max: 250 characters)

#### Saint Joseph's University

- 1. Please tell us about a rewarding aspect of your patient care experience. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. Of the PA programs you are applying to, why have you chosen Saint Joseph's University? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. Were any of your prerequisite courses or labs taken online, virtually, or remotely? (Max: 350 characters)
- 4. Please provide details on prerequisite courses or labs taken online, virtually, or remotely: (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License
  - c. Military Papers

#### **Saint Louis University**

- \* Must submit \$45 supplemental application fee on separate website
  - 1. Your essay should NOT be a repeat of your CASPA narrative or an explanation of the things that qualify you as an exemplary applicant. Please address the following questions in your supplemental essay: 1) Why are you specifically interested in applying to SLU and becoming a SLU PA student? 2) How do the mission of the SLU PA Program and the underlying Jesuit values align with your personal and professional goals? (Max: 3000 characters)
  - 2. This question IS REQUIRED for those who have applied to the SLU PA program in the past. If you are not a re-applicant to the SLU PA Program, do not complete this. Please provide a brief statement describing steps you have taken to strengthen your overall application to the SLU PA Program since last applying. (Max: 1500 characters)

#### Salus University - N/A

## **Samford University**

- 1. What motivated you to apply to Samford University's Master in Physician Assistant Studies Program? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. Tell us about your personal and clinical experience and how that makes you a good candidate for Samford University's Master in Physician Assistant Studies program? (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. Please describe how you fit into the Samford University's Master in Physician Assistant Studies mission statement. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 4. Please describe how your academic preparation will make you successful in our Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program. (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Have you previously applied to Samford University's Master in Physician Assistant Studies program? Please answer yes or no. If yes, please discuss how you have improved your application over the last year.
- 6. Did you participate as a college level athlete? If yes, was it a D1, D2, D3 college level, and how long did you participate? (Not including intramurals or club sports) (Max: 500 characters)

#### **Samuel Merritt University**

- Provide specific examples of personal and/or professional experiences to demonstrate how you
  exemplify at least three of the core values of the Samuel Merritt University Physician Assistant
  Program. (List core values in the order of importance) (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. If you feel there are deficiencies in any part of your application as a result of life circumstances, please explain those issues and how you have effectively addressed them. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. Catalog Course Description
  - b. CV/Resume

c. Military Papers

## Seton Hill University - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

## **Shenandoah University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Personal Statement
    - i. Preference will be given to candidates who can demonstrate an alignment with the core values of the program via a required supplemental essay:
    - ii. Choose three of the Shenandoah University PA Program's Core Values from the following list.
      - Promoting Excellence in education that extends learning beyond the classroom, develops research skills, and results in high-quality patient care
      - 2. **Cultivating Leadership** through professional values and engagement in the healthcare system
      - 3. **Sparking Curiosity** that fosters the skills needed to meet the demands of the evolving healthcare landscape
      - 4. **Supporting Advocacy** that empowers those in need
      - 5. **Integrating Service** into actions for the betterment of our communities
      - 6. **Upholding Respect** for the rights, dignity, well-being, and integrity of all individuals
    - iii. In a total of 500 words or less, explain how you have demonstrated those three core values in action.

#### **Slippery Rock University**

- 1. If you have experiences with special populations (a population whose individualized diversity and/or group identity requires specific considerations as it pertains to medical management) please explain. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 2. Have you done any medical mission work? If so, what type and where? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. If you withdrew from a course, state the course(s) and why you withdrew from the course(s). (Max: 2500 characters)
- 4. If you repeated a course, state the course(s) and why you repeated the course(s). (Max: 2500 characters)

- 5. Why did you take prerequisites or other courses at a university or college from which you did not graduate? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 6. If you earned a grade(s) lower than a "C" please explain? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 7. Please provide any additional information you would like us to consider before a decision is made on your CASPA application. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 8. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License

South College - Asheville N/A

South College - Atlanta - N/A

South College - Knoxville - N/A

South College - Nashville - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Military papers

## South University - Austin Texas - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

#### **South University - Richmond Virginia**

- 1. If you had a time lapse in your education, please describe what factors contributed to this. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Please tell us something about yourself that is not reflected on your academic record. (Max: 500 characters)

#### South University - Savannah Georgia - N/A

#### South University - Tampa Florida

- 1. If you have previously applied to South University Tampa PA Program, what has changed in your application since your last submission? If you have not, please enter "N/A." (Max: 150 characters)
- 2. How did you finance your undergraduate education? (Max: 150 characters)

- 3. If you have had a gap in your education, state the factors or reasons that contributed to this. If you have not had a gap in your education, please use N/A. (Max: 150 characters)
- 4. Please list any leadership positions you have held. (Max: 100 characters)

# **South University - West Palm Beach**

- 1. Briefly explain what aspects of the PA profession are most important to you. (Max: 1800 characters)
- 2. Briefly explain in what ways do you align with our mission and vision. Mission Statement: The mission of the South University Physician Assistant (MSPA) is to educate a diverse student population and prepare graduates to practice the art and science of medicine while providing high-quality, equitable, and inclusive patient-centered healthcare. Vision Statement: The South University Master of Science in Physician Assistant (MSPA) degree program strives to provide an educational environment that empowers students to practice evidence-based, patient-centered medical care. With an emphasis on increasing access to care, reducing health disparities, and engaging in community outreach, we aim to provide inclusive educational experiences for students, faculty, and staff. As future clinical leaders, the program's focus is to graduate physician assistants who will promote cultural humility and patient advocacy. (Max: 1800 characters)
- 3. Provide a brief example of when self-awareness influenced your decision-making or interactions with others. (Max: 1800 characters)

#### **Southern California University of Health Sciences**

1. Please describe your interpretation of what integrative medicine means and why you are interested in attending SCU. (Max: 1000 characters)

#### **Southern Illinois University**

- 1. Please describe why you have chosen to apply to the SIU SOM PA Program and what makes you well-suited for admission to the Program. (Max: 1400 characters)
- 2. Describe those experiences you have had working with diverse populations and what you learned from those experiences about yourself. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

#### Southern Nazarene University (Developing Program) - N/A

- St. Ambrose University N/A
- St. Bonaventure University N/A

## St. John's University - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

## **Stanford University**

- 1. What 3 songs would you like your application reviewer to listen to while they are reviewing your application? (Max: 200 characters)
- 2. If needed, please use this space to provide context for any aspects of your application that you feel require additional explanation or background, e.g., poor academic performance in a semester(s) due to a personal crisis, multiple Ws on a transcript, etc. (space limited to 2,000 characters)
- 3. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
    - i. Please be sure all publications are listed within your CASPA application, use the detail box to provide the full article name and location of publication. In addition, please be sure that your CV/Resume also lists these publications including a web-link to the published articles.
- 4. Optional Documents
  - a. License

## **Stephens College**

- 1. List in order of importance (with one being the most important) your top five criteria when choosing a PA program. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Use this space to explain the information in your CASPA application (i.e. grades, alterations in your proposed coursework, etc.). (Max: 2500 characters)
- 3. What experience or knowledge do you have of physician assistants in a leadership role? (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. Please any in-progress courses that are not included in your application at the time of submission. (Max: 150 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Clinical/Professional

Stony Brook University - <u>Supplemental Application Site</u>

**Sullivan University** 

- 1. If you have uploaded more than three Letters of Recommendation to CASPA, please list the authors' names of the three letters you would like us to consider (one of the letters must be from a PA/MD/DO) (Max: 300 characters)
- 2. How did you hear about the PA Program at Sullivan University? (Max: 500 characters)

#### **SUNY Upstate Medical Center**

- 1. How do your educational and professional goals align with our mission? (Max: 350 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

## **Taylor University (Developing Program)**

- 1. Service to others is an integral part of our program. Please describe an experience in which you were able to serve others and how this impacted your life. (Max: 1500 characters)
- Taylor University is an evangelical, independent, interdenominational Christian liberal arts
  university in which all programs are shaped by a biblical, Christian worldview and the integration
  of faith, learning, and living within a community of intentional Christian nurture and
  relationships. Explain how you would benefit from and/or contribute to the Taylor community.
  (Max: 1500 characters)

#### **Temple University Lewis Katz Schools of Medicine**

- 1. Of the PA programs you have decided to apply to, why have you chosen Temple University? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. What are your plans for the current year June 2024 until June 2025 to prepare for matriculation into the Physician Assistant program? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Please tell us about a rewarding aspect of your community service. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. What academic achievement, life experience, or personal strength will contribute to making you a successful graduate student in physician assistant studies? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. Have you participated in Peace Corps, Teach for America or AmeriCorps? If so, please describe your experience. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 6. If your CASPA application does not have final grades for all of LKSOM prerequisite courses, please indicate your intent for completion, including the course name, number of credits, term, and school. Please enter N/A if this is not applicable. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 7. LKSOM requires that all applicants complete and submit a CASPA and a Temple University Graduate application by the January 15 application deadline. Please acknowledge by entering your name and date that you understand this requirement, as well as the requirements outlined on our website at

https://medicine.temple.edu/education/physician-assistant-program/admissions/requirements. (Max: 100 characters)

- 8. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 9. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Publications

# Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center - N/A

## **Thiel College**

- 1. Please explain your interest in the PA program at Thiel College, and what personal traits make you suited for our program. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Please describe how your patient care experiences and community service have prepared you for a career as a Physician Assistant (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. Please address any challenges or academic deficiencies on your application. Discuss your ability to be successful despite these issues. Or if you have encountered a barrier to completion of pre-requisites, please explain here. (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. Is there anything else you would like us to know that is not otherwise included in this application? (Max: 500 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

Thomas Jefferson University - Center City, Philadelphia - N/A

Thomas Jefferson University - East Falls, Philadelphia - N/A

Thomas Jefferson University - Voorhees, New Jersey - N/A

Thomas Jefferson University - PA Studies / Doctor of Health Science Dual Degree - Center City

1. In what ways do you envision that earning a Dual Doctor of Health Science and Master of Physician Assistant Studies will enable you to make professional and personal impacts? (Max: 9999 characters)

## **Touro College - Illinois**

- 1. Clinical/Professional
  - a. Minimum 200 Direct Patient Care hours, required. ~ PA Shadowing experience, strongly recommended.

#### **Touro College - Long Island**

- \* Must submit \$25 supplemental application fee on separate website
- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours

#### **Touro College - Manhattan**

- \* Must submit \$25 supplemental application fee on separate website
- 1. Required Documents
  - a. <u>Shadowing/Healthcare Hours</u>

## **Touro College - Middletown**

- \* Must submit \$25 supplemental application fee on separate website
- 1. Required Documents
  - a. <u>Shadowing/Healthcare Hours</u>

## **Touro University - California**

- 1. Please provide the application year(s) and outcome(s) for your previous Touro University California MSPAS/MPH applications. Please enter "Did Not Apply" if you haven't previously applied. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. If you are a re-applicant to the Touro University California MSPAS/MPH program, what changes have you made which should result in a different outcome? Your response is limited to 250 words or less. (Max: 1250 characters)
- 3. Highlight your specific experience working with a Physician Assistant. Be sure to include clinical setting (outpatient, inpatient, etc.), field of medicine (family medicine, internal medicine, OB/Gyn, pediatrics, urgent care, specialty, etc.), your role (shadowing, colleague, etc.) and the approximate number of hours. Limit your response to 100 words or less. (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. How do you meet the mission of our program? Please highlight the activities you have been involved in that demonstrate your commitment to our mission. If you have not answered the optional Life Experiences essay, we highly encourage you to highlight your personal attributes and lived experiences that speak to the mission of our program. Limit response to 350 words. (Max: 1750 characters)
- 5. What challenges will your education in Public Health enable you to address in providing primary care to under-resourced populations? Your response should be limited to 350 words or less. (Max: 1750 characters)
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

#### **Touro University - Nevada**

1. How did you pursue learning about the PA profession? (Max: 500 characters)

- 2. How have you positively impacted your community? (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. Why do you want to attend the Touro University Nevada PA program? (Max: 500 characters)

## Towson University - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. Other TOEFL, iBT

## **Trevecca Nazarene University**

- 1. Why have you chosen to apply to Trevecca's Physician Assistant Program? (Max: 350 characters)
- 2. Please describe what you believe sets you apart from other applicants for our program? (Max: 300 characters)
- 3. What values are the cornerstones of your being? (Max: 350 characters)
- 4. Briefly share an experience that demonstrates your desire and ability to persevere despite adversity. (Max: 350 characters)
- 5. Reflecting on what is within your application and transcript, is there anything more you would like to share regarding your academic journey? (Max: 350 characters)
- 6. Describe your normal techniques for studying and retaining difficult science material.
- 7. Reflect on a time when you experienced academic struggle. What changes did you make to pursue success? (Max: 350 characters)

## **Trine University**

- 1. How did you first hear about the Trine University MPAS Program? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Why have you applied/reapplied to Trine University for your PA education? (Max: 2500 characters)

#### **Tufts University**

- 1. Short Essay 1 (1000 character limit):
  - a. Describe what positive contributions you can make to the PA profession and to Tufts University School of Medicine PA Program.
- 2. Short Essay 2 (1500 character limit):
  - a. Please tell us about your journey to PA school and how your background and experiences will positively impact your future as a medical provider. If you have experienced personal circumstances or hardships that have helped you develop qualities that you believe will allow you to better serve your future patients and the medical community as a whole, please share those experiences in your response.
- 3. Required Documents

- a. CV/Resume
- b. Clinical/Professional

## **Union College**

1. Why are you specifically interested in attending Union College? (Max: 500 characters)

## University of Alabama at Birmingham - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. License

#### **University of Arkansas**

- 1. Please describe specifically why you want to attend the Physician Assistant Program at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Please describe what cultural humility means to you and explain how you will embrace cultural humility in the classroom and in the clinical setting. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Please provide any additional comments or information that you would like the Admissions Committee to consider during the review. (Max: 5000 characters)

#### **University of Bridgeport**

- 1. How does your personal mission align with the mission of the University of Bridgeport PA Institute? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 2. Describe a challenge that you have faced in your life, and how you overcame it. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 3. Through your observations when working with or shadowing PAs, describe an experience that you believe will shape your future practice as a PA. (Max: 2500 characters)

#### University of California - Davis - via invitation only

1. If you have every been enrolled in a graduate program and not completed your degree objective, please explain in detail the circumstances for terminating your enrollment. If you have completed your intended degree or have not enrolled in a graduate program, please enter N/A. (Max: 1000 characters)

University of California - San Diego - Supplemental Application on different site

#### **University of Charleston**

- 1. The University of Charleston PA Program requires a Bachelor's Degree to matriculate into its program. If you have not yet earned a Bachelor's Degree, the program will still consider your application, as long as you have a plan in place to earn a Bachelor's Degree before the end of this year. If you have not yet earned a Bachelor's Degree, please let us know your plan to do so. If you have already earned a Bachelor's degree, please type in "Completed." (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. The University of Charleston PA Program requires completion of all prerequisite courses prior to matriculation. If you have not yet completed all prerequisite courses, the program will still consider your application, as long as you have a plan in place to successfully complete all prerequisite courses before the end of this year. If you have not yet successfully completed all prerequisite courses, please let us know your plan to do so. If you have already successfully completed all prerequisite courses, please type in "Completed." (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. If you wish additional information to be considered, such as an explanation for a poor performance in a course or semester, explanation for time off during your education, or low GRE scores, this is the opportunity for you to let us know. (Max: 2500 characters)

#### University of Colorado - N/A

#### **University of Dayton**

- 1. Do you have any family members who have attended the University of Dayton? (excluding applicant) (Max: 200 characters)
- 2. If you have outstanding prerequisites courses, what are your plans to complete these before the June 15, 2025 deadline? Please be as specific as possible. Include when and where you plan to take each course and if you are currently enrolled. (If all prerequisite coursework is completed, enter "N/A") (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. Required Documents (forms here)
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
  - b. Other

#### **University of Detroit Mercy**

- 1. Please identify the authors of 2 of the 3 submitted Letters of Recommendation that you would like considered in your Detroit Mercy application. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Please identify the date of the GRE score you wish to be considered or, if you are submitting the cumulative GPA Master's degree meeting the above criteria, list that. (Max: 250 characters)
- 3. Why is Detroit Mercy among your cohort of institutions to which you are applying? (Max: 5000 characters)
- 4. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 5. Optional Documents

- a. Licenses
- b. Military Papers

## **University of Dubuque**

- If you previously applied to our program what steps have you taken to improve your application?
   (Max: 250 characters)
- 2. How did you learn of the UDPA program? (Max: 100 characters)

## **University of Evansville**

- 1. Why are you interested in attending the University of Evansville Physician Assistant Program? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. Admission into PA programs is highly competitive. Why should we select you over another qualified applicant? (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. What do you think will be the biggest challenge for you in PA school? (Max: 9999 characters)

## **University of Findlay**

- 1. If you have completed a prerequisite and the course is older than 10 years but you feel that the prerequisite should be satisfied based on experience, employment, or another reason, please explain below (e.g., You last took anatomy as a course 12 years ago but have been employed as an anatomy teacher for the last four years.). (Max: 9999 characters)
- 2. You may explain any discrepancies in your grades (for instance, poor grades in a particular course or semester) in the area below. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 3. If you have not yet completed all of your prerequisite coursework with transcripts submitted to CASPA, identify the following in the essay answer area below:
  - a. 1. The name and course number of the course you are planning to take. -
  - b. 2. The name of the prerequisite it will fulfill.
  - c. 3. The name of the institution where you will be taking the course.
  - d. 4. The number of credit hours the course is worth.
  - e. 5. When you will be taking the course (semester and year) i.e., Spring 2023. You can use "Transferology" (see UF PA Program Pre-requisite area) to determine if a course will be accepted. Click on the following link (or copy and paste in your internet browser) for instructions regarding how to complete this.
    - i. https://www.findlay.edu/admissions/transfer/Documents/transferology-guide-2 020-updated.pdf This form can then be uploaded to the documents section of your CASPA application as well. State "N/A" if you have fulfilled all pre-requisites already. (Max: 9999 characters)
- 4. Discuss why you are specifically considering the University of Findlay Physician Assistant Program for your PA education. (Max: 1000 characters)

- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

## **University of Florida**

- 1. At the University of Florida School of Physician Assistant Studies (UF SPAS), our values are rooted in excellence, integrity, diversity, compassion, and service. Please provide one specific experience, not mentioned elsewhere in your application, of how you have demonstrated one or more of the values. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. At the UF SPAS, "The mission of the School of Physician Assistant Studies is to educate students to become physician assistants who will serve the people of Florida and the nation as part of a multidisciplinary healthcare team in a diverse and ever changing healthcare environment."

  Please discuss what attracts you to the UF SPAS. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Reflect on an impactful experience you have had from observing, working alongside or interacting with a physician assistant. What insights have you gained from this experience, and how has this experience influenced your understanding of the role of physician assistants in healthcare? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. Discuss any personal or professional experience(s), unrelated to academics, where you demonstrated resiliency or perseverance. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. Please explain any circumstances that may have impacted your academic performance. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 6. If you have previously applied to PA school, how have your skills, experience and/or professional achievements evolved since the last application cycle, and how do you believe this growth contributes to your suitability and preparedness for PA school? If you have not previously applied to PA school, please respond with N/A. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 7. Optional Documents
  - a. Licenses

#### University of Iowa - N/A

## **University of Kentucky**

- 1. As part of your application, you have reflected on your life experiences and/or perspectives and your contribution to the PA Profession. Please describe a specific instance where you have demonstrated both competence and compassion in your role in a healthcare setting, and how this experience aligns with the mission of the UKPA program and demonstrates your ability to be a transformative leader within the program & profession. This is your opportunity to tell us your story and how you would contribute uniquely to the UKPA mission. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 2. The University of Kentucky serves many underserved areas of the state as well as outside of the state and internationally. What experiences do you have serving individuals/groups from

- underserved communities? Reflect on how these experiences have shaped your understanding of health disparities and access to healthcare. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 3. Please explain anything which may have impacted your academic performance. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 4. Please explain why you chose the University of Kentucky Lexington campus location: (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. If you are reapplying to the University of Kentucky PA Program, what steps have you taken to improve your application since applying? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

# University of Lynchburg - N/A

1. If you have previously applied to the Lynchburg PA Medicine program, highlight any differences (degrees completed, patient care hours, etc.) that will enhance the application for this admissions cycle. (Max: 200 characters)

University of Mary Hardin-Baylor - N/A

University of Maryland - Baltimore - N/A

#### **University of Maryland - Eastern Shore**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
    - i. Please complete the PA Shadowing Hours form located on our website at https://www.umes.edu/PA under the Admissions tab and select Application Documents. Please complete all fields and have this document signed by the Physician Assistant that you observed. Once completed, please upload this document to your application.
  - b. Other
    - Please complete the PA Student Patient Care Hours form located on our website at https://www.umes.edu/PA under the Admissions tab and select Application Documents. Please complete all fields and upload this document to your application.
  - c. CV/Resume

#### **University of Michigan**

- Please take the opportunity to answer the question in 2000 characters or less, to give the Admission Committee information about you that cannot be gleaned from information already in the CASPA application.
  - a. Discuss a situation, not already mentioned in this application, when you faced an ethical dilemma that tested your integrity.
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. Clinical/Professional
  - b. Clinical/Professional
  - c. CV/Resume
  - d. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours

## **University of Missouri - Kansas City**

- 1. Discuss how your personal philosophy and career goals as a physician assistant will be impacted by attending the UMKC MMSPA program. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 2. Knowing that the members of the admissions committee will have access to your complete academic record (transcripts and test scores), is there any information you would like to share with the committee regarding your academic performance? (Max: 2500 characters)

## **University of Mount Saint Vincent**

- 1. What aspects of the University (Formerly College) of Mount Saint Vincent Physician Assistant Program have had the greatest influence on your decision to apply to the program? Please be and clear in your response (Max: 1000 characters)
- Please carefully explain how your undergraduate or graduate level academic collegiate
  experience has prepared you for the academic challenges you may encounter at the University
  (Formerly College) of Mount Saint Vincent Physician Assistant Program. Please be specific in your
  response (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. What attributes will you bring to the Physician Assistant Program that will have a positive influence on class cohesiveness and will foster an atmosphere of cooperation among other students in your class. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 4. Discuss fully any academic issues you may have encountered in your undergraduate experience and what steps, or actions, you may have undertaken to correct the identified academic issue. Be specific . (Max: 1000 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
    - i. The applicant should prepare a current resume including their professional, volunteer, and service experiences.
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
    - i. Documentation of Healthcare (patient care) experience and PA shadowing must be in the form of a letter from the Human Resources Department, a supervisor,

or the health professional that is able to attest to your experience. A letter must be provided for each healthcare experience that you enter on the application. The letter(s) should be on professional letterhead, clearly stating the hours in numerical form and bulleted lists of tasks performed, along with a contact phone number.

- c. Clinical Professional
  - Please upload the results from the PA program required and completed CASPER Examination. If you have previously taken this examination please upload those results within the document section.
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. Military papers
  - b. Publications (2x)
  - c. License

# **University of Mount Union**

- 1. What do you hope to accomplish by entering the PA profession? (Max: 5000 characters)
- 2. There are numerous PA programs in the United States. Please describe why you want to attend the PA program (please provide specifics) at the University of Mount Union. (Max: 5000 characters)
- 3. Please explain any withdrawals, failures, or leaves of absence on your transcripts. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 4. Explain any gaps of greater than one year in your resume. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. Other

#### **University of Nebraska**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. Discovering the PA Profession Form

#### **University of Nevada**

- 1. Why are you interested in the University of Nevada School of Medicine Physician Assistant Studies Program? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Based on your interest and prior experiences, describe how you will contribute to the improvement of healthcare in Nevada. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. What aspects of PA School do you foresee being of the greatest challenge to you and why? How will you prepare for it? (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. If you applied in previous cycles, what have you done to improve your application? (Max: 500 characters)

- 5. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
- 6. Optional Documents
  - a. License

## **University of New England**

- 1. Why did you choose PA for a career path as opposed to MD, DO, NP, or other healthcare profession?
- 2. Why did you choose to apply to UNE?
- 3. Optional Documents
  - a. CASPER

## **University of New Haven (Developing Program)**

- 1. Read the following statement. When I have a problem in my life, I like to seek advice on how to handle it. Do you agree or disagree with this statement, and why? (Max: 750 characters)
- 2. Describe a situation where you were not treated fairly. (Max: 750 characters)
- 3. Read the following statement. It is possible to be a leader and a follower at the same time. Do you agree or disagree with this statement, and why? (Max: 750 characters)
- 4. Please explain your interest in our program relating to our program's mission. (Max: 750 characters)
- 5. Address any academic deficiencies in your application. Discuss your ability to be successful despite these deficiencies. (Max: 750 characters)
- 6. What personal characteristics, traits, and skills make you well-suited for our program? (Max: 750 characters)
- 7. Optional Documents
  - a. Fee Waiver Award Notice
  - b. Military Papers
  - c. Clinical/Professional

## University of New Mexico - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume

#### **University of North Dakota**

1. Use this space to provide additional clarification for the UND PA Admissions Committee regarding your CASPA application (i.e., explanation of plan to complete in-progress coursework before September 1 deadline or in-progress degree by December 31 deadline, evaluated

- equivalency from UND Registrar for prerequisites below published standards, additions to extracurricular activities, explanation for poor academic performance, etc.). (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. If you have previously applied to the University of North Dakota PA program, since your last application, what steps have you taken to strengthen your candidacy? Please note any relevant academic, employment, clinical and personal experience. If you are not reapplying, please enter N/A (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License
    - i. If you do not have a license/certificate in your health care field, please upload document providing rationale.

## **University of North Texas HS Center Ft Worth**

- 1. What particular elements or features of this Physician Assistant (PA) program influenced your decision to apply? (Max: 1200 characters)
- 2. What qualities, experiences, and skills do you possess that you believe make you well-suited for enrollment in this Physician Assistant (PA) program? (Max: 1200 characters)
- 3. How have you demonstrated resilience or overcome challenges during your academic journey? (Max: 1200 characters)
- 4. Please answer the following question if you are reapplying to the PA Studies Program at UNTHSC.
  - a. Since you previously applied, what have you done to strengthen your application? (Max: 750 characters)
- 5. Is there any additional information that you believe your college/university should know in evaluating your eligibility to be classified as a resident? If so, please provide it below: (Max: 2000 characters)

#### **University of Oklahoma - Tulsa**

1. Why did you specifically choose to apply to an Oklahoma program? (Max: 300 characters)

# **University of Pittsburgh**

- 1. If you've previously applied to the University of Pittsburgh Physician Assistant Hybrid program specifically, how have you strengthened your application since the last time you applied? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Please complete the mission fit statement (in addition to your CASPA personal statement) that responds to the following prompt: The mission of the PAS Hybrid program is to develop highly qualified Physician Assistants who will serve as collaborative leaders in patient care, professional service and advocacy for all populations. How will your experiences, convictions, and/or

- identities serve to support the mission of the PAS Hybrid program at the University of Pittsburgh? (Max: 5000 characters)
- 3. The PA Studies Hybrid program only reviews three letters of recommendation. Please provide the name of the reviewer you would like us to score for each required letter.
  - a. Character Reference Evidences leadership, integrity, and humility, values honesty and equality among all persons. Reference could be a peer, coworker, mentor, volunteer group or religious leader or others. (Max: 100 characters)
- 4. Patient Care Experience Supervisor Evidences positive interaction of applicant within patient care setting: respectful of best practices/protocols, takes ownership of actions, has strong work ethic, and values wellness of patient and teamwork. Reference needs to be a superior who directly oversees your patient care hours and who can specifically speak to your skills and patient interactions. EXAMPLES to include (but not limited to) your current/past manager or assistant manager, department director, mentor, military superior. (Max: 100 characters)
- 5. Instructor Evidences a dedication to learning, is driven and disciplined to achieve good outcomes, sets high standards and willing to ask questions when unsure of materials. Reference needs to be a person who has been directly involved in teaching you in some capacity and can specifically speak to your ability to learn/be taught. EXAMPLES to include (but not limited to) college or university instructor/professor, a certification or skills teacher, a superior who provided you on-the-job skills training, a military instructor. (Max: 100 characters)

#### **University of Pittsburgh - Hybrid Program**

- 1. If you've previously applied to the University of Pittsburgh Physician Assistant Hybrid program specifically, how have you strengthened your application since the last time you applied? (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Please complete the mission fit statement (in addition to your CASPA personal statement) that responds to the following prompt: The mission of the PAS Hybrid program is to develop highly qualified Physician Assistants who will serve as collaborative leaders in patient care, professional service and advocacy for all populations. How will your experiences, convictions, and/or identities serve to support the mission of the PAS Hybrid program at the University of Pittsburgh? (Max: 5000 characters)
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## **University of Saint Joseph**

- 1. Please tell us how you relate to our mission and why you chose to apply to the USJ PA Studies Program. (Max: 2000 characters)
- 2. If you have applied to ANY PA program in the past, what have you done to improve yourself as a candidate since last admissions cycle? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 3. If desired, please include any additional information below you would like the admissions committee to consider to clarify portions of your CASPA application (i.e. course failures, gaps in educational or employment history, positive responses to CASPA background questions, etc) (Max: 2000 characters)

#### **University of South Alabama**

- 1. Do you have any concerns regarding any grade deficiencies or your GPA (i.e. a year where GPA may have been significantly lower, Academic Bankruptcy, etc.)? If your transcript shows a W, C, D or F, please select Yes and explain below.
  - a. If you answered "Yes" to the above question, please tell us about any challenges, personal struggles or adversities that you have encountered that may have negatively affected your grades as well as address any courses where a "W" or grade of "C" or below was earned. Please note if you had any grade replacements or Academic Bankruptcy that would have been included in your CASPA GPA. Please do NOT provide any detailed, personal medical information.
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. <u>Supplemental Application</u>

## **University of South Carolina**

1. If you have previously applied to the University of South Carolina PA Program before, what have you done in terms of work, experience, and education, to strengthen your application? (Max: 500 characters)

## **University of South Dakota**

1. Please briefly explain any ties to the State of South Dakota. (Max: 1000 characters)

#### **University of South Florida**

- 1. Please explain any areas of difficulty you may have experienced in your academic performance and specifically describe how you have corrected any weaknesses. (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Required Documents
  - a. Residency Form see CASPA for more information

## **University of Southern California - Los Angeles**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. <u>Supplemental Application</u>

# University of Southern Mississippi College of Nursing and Health Professions (Developing Program)

- 1. Why are you applying to the University of Southern Mississippi PA Program? For example: Tell us why you feel you are a "good fit" for the USM program. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 2. Describe your commitment to personal development and continued learning. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 3. Describe how you have demonstrated care for others, particularly an example of putting the needs of other before you own. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 4. Describe your experience working as part of a team. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 5. Tell us about a time you had to work with a person whose views and culture were very different from your own. How did you work with that person to accomplish your task? (Max: 2500 characters)
- 6. Please tell us about any research experience you have had or you interests in future research. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 7. Give us your thoughts on how you would change the current healthcare system to make it more efficient, affordable and equitable. (Max: 2500 characters)
- 8. Optional Documents
  - a. Fee Waiver Award Notice
  - b. Military Papers

University of St Francis - Indiana - N/A

University of Tampa - N/A

**University of Tennessee Health Science Center** 

- 1. We strive to have a holistic application process. If applicable are there any areas of your application that you feel need further explanation such as a poor grade, GPA, GRE, etc. If so please use this space to provide your thoughts on why you would be successful in our program. This question is optional. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Why did you choose to apply to the UTHSC PA program? What about this program do you find unique or appealing? (Max: 1500 characters)

#### University of Texas - Health Science Center at San Antonio

- \* Must submit \$75 supplemental application fee on separate website
- 1. Why do you wish to come to the UT Health Science Center San Antonio PA program? (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Please describe your personal and educational experiences, background, talents, and skills that you feel will enhance the learning experience for both you and your classmates while contributing to your success in the PA profession. (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. Please describe an instance or situation in which you felt mistreated and how you responded and/or resolved the issue. (Max: 500 characters)
- 4. If you are REAPPLYING to the UT Health Science Center San Antonio PA program, how have you strengthened your application? (1500 characters maximum)
- 5. Required Documents
  - a. Supplemental Application

University of Texas - Medical Branch at Galveston - N/A

University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley - N/A

University of Texas - Southwestern School of Health Professions - N/A

University of the Cumberlands - Williamsburg - Supplementary Application via email

University of the Pacific - N/A

#### **University of Toledo**

\* Must submit supplemental application fee on separate website

#### **University of Utah**

- Describe how your life experiences and personal identities have shaped your ability to overcome challenges, build your skills, and what lessons have you learned about yourself. (Max: 750 characters)
- 2. The University of Utah PA Program is a nationally recognized program with a primary care and medically-underserved population focused emphasis. Whether you have a background in these

areas or not, please describe your interest in attending this program and your interest in the intermountain west. (Max: 750 characters)

#### 3. Dual Degree option: Master of Gerontology

- a. The University of Utah Physician Assistant Program has partnered with the University of Utah College of Nursing to establish a dual degree option, Master of Science in Gerontology (MSG) + Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS). This dual degree option will serve to prepare future PAs who plan to practice in the field aging. Gerontology curriculum is fully online, full-time, and starts in Spring of 2025 (January), one semester ahead of the PA Program summer 2025 (May) start date. Students enrolled in this dual degree option will experience additional curricula and complete a clinical practicum emphasis in gerontology. Graduates will earn two highly respected degrees over 8 continuous semesters, 32 months. The MPAS portion of the curriculum is identical in terms of time, training, and cost. The dual MSG/MPAS track will incur additional time and cost. Students enrolled in the dual degree option must complete spring semester 2025 MSG coursework in order to matriculate into the PA Program in summer semester of 2025. For more information on the dual MSG/MPAS please visit the webpage https://nursing.utah.edu/dual-master-geron-pas. For questions that have not been addressed by the website, contact admissions@upap.utah.edu.
- b. Are you interested in the MSG/MPAS option?
  - i. If yes, briefly describe your interest, and how your clinical practice and goals will benefit from additional education. (Max: 300 characters)

#### 4. Dual Degree option: Master of Public Health

- a. The University of Utah Physician Assistant Program is partnered with the Division of Public Health to offer a Master of Public Health (MPH) + Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS). This dual degree combines competencies in local and global public health systems with clinical skills and focus on the individual health and the overall health of communities. Students admitted to the dual MPH/MPAS program will begin with MPH curriculum in fall 2025 and spring 2026, with guaranteed deferred entry into the 2026 PA cohort pending successful completion of Public Health curriculum. Students enrolled in this dual degree option complete additional Public Health coursework throughout the PA Program and graduate with two degrees in three years of full-time study over 9 continuous semesters. The MPAS portion of the curriculum is identical in terms of time, training, and cost. The dual MPH/MPAS track will incur additional time and cost. Students enrolled in the dual degree option must complete Public Health coursework in fall 2025 and spring 2026 in order to matriculate in summer 2026 by deferral into the PA Program. For more information on the dual MSG/MPAS please visit the webpage
  - https://dfpm.utahhealth.acsitefactory.com/dfpm/physician-assistant-studies/program/p rospective-students/master-ph-and-pa-studies. For questions that have not been addressed by this webpage, contact <a href="mailto:admissions@upap.utah.edu">admissions@upap.utah.edu</a>.
- b. Are you interested in the MPH/MPAS dual degree program?

i. If yes, briefly describe your interest, and how your clinical practice and goals will benefit from additional education. (Max: 300 characters)

## **University of Washington**

- 1. MEDEX gives preference to candidates with a regional connection to their campus choice(s). For the 2024-2025 application cycle, MEDEX is reserving a minimum of five (5) seats at its Spokane campus for current, legal, or permanent residents of Montana. Describe your regional connection to your campus choices. This could include your residency, family and friends in the region, military service, college(s) attended, regular visits to the region, etc. If there are none, indicate why you are selecting these campuses. (Max: 500 characters)
- 2. Please compose a personal statement that answers the questions below. Personal statements allow MEDEX to get a greater understanding of your experience and personal character. Keep in mind that we will have your CASPA personal statement and we do not want a duplication of the CASPA statement. Please limit this personal statement to 1000 words. Remember to format the statements with a space between paragraphs.
  - a. 1. Tell us how your values and experience make you a good fit for MEDEX.
  - b. 2. Why is now the right time to apply to MEDEX?
  - c. 3. What are the biggest challenges you face in returning to school and what is your approach to managing these challenges?
  - d. 4. What diverse strengths, skills, and lived experiences do you bring to the classroom and to our collective journey toward achieving health equity?
  - e. 5. Reflecting on your academic history, do you believe it accurately demonstrates your readiness and capacity to succeed in PA school? Provide examples of experiences that have contributed to your preparation. (Max: 9999 characters)

#### **University of Wisconsin - La Crosse**

- What are your academic/career plans in the event you are NOT selected for admission to the PA Program? (Max: 1000 characters)
- 2. Provide a narrative in which you specifically state the reasons you have chosen to apply to our program. Please include information regarding any ties you have to our clinical partners or the geographic areas served by them. Additionally, please explain how your professional goals align with our mission: "In collaboration with nationally renowned partners, we develop exemplary PAs, in an inclusive culture, who equitably optimize the health of our region." (Max: 2000 characters)
- 3. Are you currently employed by one of our clinical partner institutions (Mayo Clinic Health System, Marshfield Clinic Health System, or Gundersen Health System)? If yes, please list your current position and dates of compensated employment. (Max: 250 characters)
- 4. If you previously applied to the program, how have you strengthened your application from the previous application cycle? (Max: 500 characters)

## **University of Wisconsin - Madison**

- 1. If you are applying to distance education, wisPACT, and/or MPH-MPAS tracks you are required to submit this essay.
  - a. Applicants to distance education, wisPACT, and/or MPH-MPAS options are required to write an essay discussing interest and fit for the program option(s) to which they are applying. Applicants may apply to two tracks only. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. All applicants are encouraged to provide a statement about their academic record and desire to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison PA Program. Use this as an opportunity to point out the highlights of and circumstances surrounding your academic career. This essay may be helpful in the Admissions Committee's assessment of your academic history and contributes to a holistic review of your application. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 3. All applicants are encouraged to provide an essay offering personal information not found elsewhere in the application. This section is intended to supplement, not duplicate, the required CASPA statement as it contributes to a holistic review of your application and gives the Admissions Committee the opportunity to learn more about who you are outside of your goal to become a Physician Assistant. (Max: 3000 characters)

## **Ursuline College**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
    - When submitting your CV/resume, be sure to include your work experience along with any educational, leadership or professional organization activities.
       This includes publications, presentations, research, honors and/or awards.
  - b. Shadowing Healthcare Hours
    - i. Upload shadowing hours verification. A minimum of 50 hours must be from direct shadowing of a clinically practicing physician assistant. Our shadowing form is located at www.ursuline.edu/PA in the Admission Requirements sections. The form is NOT required; you may use any format that conveys your shadowing hours.

#### **Utah Valley University**

I am aware that if I do not fill out the UVU Supplemental Application and pay the fee, my
application will be disqualified for admissions review. The UVU Supplemental application must
be completed by July 15, 2024, 11:59 PM (MST). A link to the application can be found on the
UVU PA Program website. Applications are not reviewed until the supplemental application with
fee is completed.

- 2. Have you applied to the UVU PA Program before this admissions cycle? If yes, what year(s) did you apply? How have you improved your application since the last time you applied. (Max: 500 characters)
- 3. How many of our prerequisite classes did you retake? Did you retake any prerequisite classes more than once? Tell us why you decided to retake these classes? (Max: 2000 characters)
- 4. Do any of your science prerequisite classes have a lab included that does not appear on the transcript. If yes, please identify the course number and where it was taken. For example if you had a chemistry class that included the lab but the lab is not listed in the course name. This is only needed for classes used to fulfill the prerequisite requirement. (Max: 1500 characters)

## Wake Forest University - N/A

## Wayne State University - N/A

## **Weber State University**

1. Are you using the PA-CAT to replace expired, pre-requisite coursework? If so, which pre-requisite courses are expired. Note: All pre-requisite coursework, regardless of expiration, must meet all minimum requirements in order to be accepted. (Max: 200 characters)

## **West Chester University**

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/ Resume
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. License (5x)

## **West Coast University - California**

- 1. Describe your past, current, or plans for future service/intentions for service to underserved communities, individuals, and/or causes with examples of how these intentions relate to your career as a future Physician Assistant. (Max: 3000 characters)
- 2. If you have had course failures, withdrawals, incompletes, or believe there is something we should know about your candidacy that isn't detailed in the application, please use the space below to document anything relevant/pertinent to those circumstances. (Max: 3000 characters)

## West Coast University - Texas - N/A

#### **West Liberty University**

1. Where do you see yourself practicing in 5 years? Be specific. (Max: 1500 characters)

- 2. What is the longest period of time you have been away from home? Would being away from home 24 months in rural West Virginia be a significant stressor? How have you/would you deal with that stressor? Please answer as applicable to your background. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 3. According to the Merriam Webster dictionary, grit is defined as "firmness of mind or spirit: unyielding courage in the face of hardship." Although the PA degree can certainly lead to a lifetime of career fulfillment, the completion of the WLU PA program will require firmness of mind or spirit as well as "courage in the face of hardship." Please discuss and use examples demonstrating you have sufficient "grit" to complete the program. (Max: 1500 characters)

## **West Virginia University**

- 1. Please explain in 250-500 words your interest in the physician assistant studies program at West Virginia University as it relates to our program's mission.
- 2. Are all of your West Virginia University prerequisites courses completed at this time?
  - a. If you answered no to question 1 above (all prerequisite courses are not complete at this time), you must provide the program with your plan for completion of each outstanding prerequisite. Please note that only two prerequisite courses may be outstanding at the time of application. For each outstanding prerequisite, provide the course name, institution at which course will be completed, the semester the course will be taken, and the WVU program prerequisite which the course is intended to fulfill. If this does not apply, please type N/A. (Max: 3000 characters)
- In 250-500 words, please describe how your background and life experiences will make a unique contribution to the West Virginia University physician assistant studies program. (Max: 3000 characters)

#### **Western Michigan University**

1. If you were interviewed previously please indicate which year and explain what you have done to become a more competitive applicant. (Max: 300 characters)

## Western University of Health Sciences - N/A

#### Westfield State University - N/A

- 1. Required Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. Shadowing/Healthcare Hours
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. License
  - b. Military Papers
  - c. Publications

## Wichita State University - N/A

# Widener University - N/A

- 1. Optional Documents
  - a. Military Papers
  - b. CV/Resume

# Wingate University - N/A

# Xavier University of Louisiana - N/A

# **Yale University Physician Associate Program**

- 1. You may use this essay to address any issues you would like the Admissions Committee to know about. This could include time lapses in higher education, academic issues, or clinical experience issues. Responding to this section is not required.
  - a. Please respond to this optional essay in 250 words or less. (Max: 1500 characters)
- 2. Optional Documents
  - a. CV/Resume
  - b. License (2x)
  - c. Military Papers