

Prerequisites for Physician Assistant Program at CSS

If you are applying to the Physician Assistant Program and are wondering if your previous coursework will fulfill any of the prerequisite requirements for the Physician Assistant program please review the information provided in these prerequisite guides for answers to those questions. Courses that fulfill the prerequisite requirements for the Physician Assistant program are noted below for each of the Minnesota Private Colleges.

Please note that labs are preferred in science related courses, when applicable. All prerequisites must have been completed within 10 years from the year of application. All must be completed before entry into the program. Because prerequisite courses establish the framework for the physician assistant program, all prerequisite courses must be completed at an institution of higher learning. Advanced placement courses taken in high school will not be accepted as meeting the prerequisite requirements for application to the Physician Assistant program.

Additional information regarding applying for admission to the program can be found on The College of St. Scholastica website at go.css.edu/p-a.

Applicants are also advised to review Central Application Service for Physician Assistant ([CASPA](#)) application instructions related to The College of St. Scholastica to ensure they meet the current admissions requirements. Applicants must report every college course attempted in the coursework section of the CASPA application, including those courses later repeated for a higher grade. CASPA GPAs include all courses completed with grades and credits, even if they were later repeated for a higher grade.

Minnesota Private College Courses That Fulfill Prerequisites for the PA Program

Augsburg College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIO 320 and 473
Microbiology: BIO 476
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHM 351 and 352
Biochemistry: BIO 369
Medical Terminology: none available
Statistics: MAT 163 or MAT 164 or MAT 248 or MATH 374
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 203

Bethany Lutheran College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 221 and 222
Microbiology: BIOL 360
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 215 and 216
Biochemistry: CHEM 323
Medical Terminology: Statistics MATH 120 or MATH 321 and 322
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 120

Bethel University

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIO 214 and 216 or BIO 224 and 226
Microbiology: BIO 230 or 234
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHE 224 and 226
Biochemistry: CHE 304 or BIO/CHE 388
Medical Terminology: BIO 105
Statistics: MAT 207 or MAT 330 or PSY 230M or HAS 250M or HPE 250M
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 203

Carleton College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 232 with lab will fulfill physiology and students would also need a semester of human anatomy to fulfill the full prerequisite requirement
Microbiology: BIOL 234
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 233 and 234
Biochemistry: BIOL 380 or CHEM 320
Medical Terminology: none available
Statistics: MATH 115 or MATH 215 or PSYC 200
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 250

College of St. Benedict/St. John's University

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 325 and 326 or BIOL 330 and 323
Microbiology: BIOL 212 or 307
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 250/250A and 251/251A
Biochemistry: BIOL 317 or BCHM 317
Medical Terminology: COLG 121
Statistics: MATH 124 or PSY221 or SOC 201 or MATH 345 and 346
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 360

Concordia College Moorhead

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 411 and 412
Microbiology: BIOL 207 or BIOL 407
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 341 and 342
Biochemistry: CHEM 373
Medical Terminology: CL 399
Statistics: MATH 205 or MATH 215 or MATH 315 or PSYC 230
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 206

Concordia University Saint Paul

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIO 315 and 316
Microbiology: BIO 300
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHE 221 and 222
Biochemistry: CHE 328
Medical Terminology: BIO 350
Statistics: MAT 110 or 330 or PSY 380
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 230

Gustavus Adolphus College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: HES 234 and 235
Microbiology: BIO 380 or BIO 218
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHE 141 and 251
Biochemistry: CHE 255
Medical Terminology: HES 214
Statistics: MCS 140 or 142 or PSY 224 or PSY 225
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 234 and 334 or HES 212

Hamline University

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 3200 and 3250
Microbiology: BIOL 5550
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 3450 and 3460
Biochemistry: BIOC 3820
Medical Terminology: none available
Statistics: MATH 1200 or PSY 1340 or QMBE 1310
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 1440

Macalester College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 365 and 367
Microbiology: BIOL 358
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 211 and 212
Biochemistry: BIOL/CHEM 351
Medical Terminology: none available
Statistics: MATH 155
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 250

Martin Luther College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: SCI 2010 and SCI 3010
Microbiology: none available
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: none available
Biochemistry: none available
Medical Terminology: none available
Statistics: MTH 2020 or MTH 3003
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 2002

St. Catherine University

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 2400 and 2410 or BIOL 2510 and 2520 or BIOL 2610 and 2620 or BIOL 3120 and BIOL 3140
Microbiology: BIOL 2200 or BIOL 3210
Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 2010 and 2020
Biochemistry: CHEM 4400
Medical Terminology: HIMP 1020 or HIMP 1050 or INDI 2220
Statistics: MATH 1080 or MATH 3140 or PSYC 1090 or PSYC 2050 or ECON 1090
Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 2020 or PSYC 2025

St. Mary's University

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: B 305 and B 313

Microbiology: B 434

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: C 321 and C 322

Biochemistry: B/C 409

Medical Terminology: B 306

Statistics: ST 132 or ST 232 or B 392

Lifespan Development Psychology: PY 211

St. Olaf College

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIO 143 and 243 **or** BIO 266 and 247

Microbiology: BIO 231

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 247 and 248

Biochemistry: CHEM 379

Medical Terminology: none available

Statistics: STAT 110 or STAT 212 or STAT 214

Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYCH 241

University of St. Thomas

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 349 and 350

Microbiology: BIOL 356

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 201 and 202

Biochemistry: CHEM 440 or BIOL 340

Medical Terminology: none available

Statistics: STAT 220 or STAT 310 or STAT 314 or MATH 303

Lifespan Development Psychology: PSYC 202 **or** PSYC 200 and 203 and 204