

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 University of Minnesota Campuses.

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.

University of Minnesota Courses That Fulfill Prerequisites for the PA Program

University of Minnesota Duluth

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: HLTH 2030 and 2040 **or** BIOL 3771 and 3772

Microbiology: BIOL 3502 or 4501 or BIOL 4511 or BIOL 2571

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 2541 and 2542

Biochemistry: CHEM 3322 **or** CHEM 4351 and 4352

Medical Terminology: HLTH 1104

Statistics: STAT 1411 or STAT 2411 or STAT 3611 or PSY 3020 or ESAT 4700

Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 2021

University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: ANAT 3001 or 3601 or 3611 **and** PHSL 3051 or PHSL 3061 or KIN 3385 or PHARM 3601 or BIOL 3211 with 2005

Microbiology: MICB 3301 or MICB 3303 or VBS 2032

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 2301 and 2302 or combination of CHEM 1081, 1082 and 2081.

Biochemistry: BIOC 3021 or BIOC 4331 or BIOC 3022 with BIOC 4025W (students are encouraged to complete a biochemistry course with lab)

Medical Terminology: PHAR 1002 or CNES 1046

Statistics: STAT 3011 or STAT 3021 or SOC 3811 or PSY 3801 or EPSY 3264

Lifespan Development Psychology: FSOS 1201 or NURS 2001

University of Minnesota Rochester

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 2331 and 2332

Microbiology: BIOL 3344

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 1231 and 2231

Biochemistry: BIOC 3321

Medical Terminology: none available

Statistics: MATH 1161

Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 3511

University of Minnesota Crookston

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 2103 and 2104

Microbiology: BIOL 2032

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 2301 and 2302

Biochemistry: CHEM 3021

Medical Terminology: HSM 1010

Statistics: MATH 1150

Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 1093

University of Minnesota Morris

Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2: BIOL 2102 and 2103

Microbiology: BIOL 4111

Organic Chemistry 1 and 2: CHEM 2301 and 2302

CHEM 2304

Biochemistry: BIOL 4211

Medical Terminology: IS 1041

Statistics: STAT 1601

Lifespan Development Psychology: PSY 2411 **or** PSY 3401, 3402 and 3403