

Medical Studies - Physician Assistant Track

Bachelor of Science Medical Studies (BS.MSPA) & Master of Science Physician Assistant Studies (MS.PAS)
The Five-Year Program

Core Requirements			Credits	Notes/Instructions				
College Sem.	Quest for Meaning	CSEM 100	3	†A student may be required to take ENGL 105 and/or MATH 100 based on placement exams administered prior to their first semester at King's College. ENGL 105 and MATH 100 are 3-credit courses and will count as free electives. †† The Intercultural Competence requirement can be satisfied by taking a 100-level language class for 3 credits or participating in an approved Study Abroad experience. . (See college catalog for more information) SBM = Satisfied By Major requirement(s) and credit(s) listed below.				
Communication & Creative Expression	Writing	ENGL 110†	3					
	Oral Communication	COMM 101	3					
	Literature	ENGL 140-149	3					
	The Arts	ARTS 100-149	3					
Citizenship	History	HIST 100-149	3					
	Intercultural	FREN/GERM/SPAN 100-level or Study Abroad††	3					
	Global Connections	ECON 150-199; GEOG 150-199; HIST 150-199; PS 150-199; SOC 150-199	3					
Quantitative & Scientific Reasoning	SBM Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 120 ⁺ or higher level	-					
	SBM Scientific Endeavor	NSCI 100	-					
	SBM Science in Context	NSCI 171-199	-					
	Human Beh. & Soc. Inst	ECON 111, 112; GEOG 101, 102; PS 101, PSYC 101, SOC 101	3					
Wisdom, Faith, & the Good Life	Introduction to Phil.	PHIL 101	3					
	Phil. Investigations	PHIL 170-199	3					
	Theology & Wisdom	THEO 150-159	3					
	Theology & the Good Life	THEO 160-169	3					
Total Core Credits			39					
Major Requirements	Credits	Major Requirements	Credits	Professional Phase Requirements	Credits			
BIOL 113*	3	CHEM 113*	3	PA 450	4			
BIOL 113L*	1	CHEM 113L*	1	PA 554	5.5			
BIOL 210*	3	CHEM 114*	3	PA 556	5.5			
BIOL 210L*	1	CHEM 114L*	1	PA 475	3			
BIOL 213*	3	CHEM 241*	3	PA 455	4.5			
BIOL 213L*	1	CHEM 241L*	1	PA 557	4.5			
BIOL 221*	3	NEUR 213*	3	PA 558	6			
BIOL 221L*	1	NEUR 342*	3	PA 476	3			
BIOL 222*	3	MATH 126 ^{2*}	3	PA 559	6			
BIOL 222L*	1	PA 100	1	PA 565	3			
BIOL 224*	3	PA 200	1	PA 510	3			
BIOL 224L*	1	PA 201	1	PA 515	6			
BIOL 314*	3			PA 520	6			
BIOL 314L*	1			PA 525	6			
BIOL 327*	4			PA 530	6			
BIOL 341*	3			PA 535	6			
		Other Requirements		PA 540	6			
		HCE 101 Holy Cross Exp.	1	PA 545	6			
				PA 555	6			
				PA 560	4			
Total Major Credits		35	Total Major / Other Credits		25	Total Prof. Phase Credits		100

Total Credits Required for Graduation = 199

NOTE: All core and major requirements must be completed by the end of the Spring Semester of Year 3.

*Courses noted with an asterisk comprise the "Prerequisite Science GPA".

Health Care Experience Hours: Students must complete and log a minimum of 500 health care experience hours prior to the completion of Year 3 of the 5-year BSMS/MSPAS Program. A minimum of 8 hours must be spent shadowing Physician Assistants. See document titled "Health Care Experience Hours" for further detail. The student must complete and log a minimum of 375 hours by December 1st of the fall semester of the junior year (year 3). Early during their first semester, students will be provided with information on how to log their clinical experience hours online.

Professional (Didactic) Phase Year 1 (2 semesters and 12 weeks of summer session course work)

Upon successful completion of the first 3 years and the first 2 semesters of the professional phase of the PA program, the degree of Bachelor of Science in Medical Studies is awarded. Students are now considered graduate level students.

Professional (Clinical) Phase Year 2 (12 months)

Upon passing all modules in the didactic phase of the program in sequence, passing all clinical rotations, maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.0, exhibiting consistent professional behavior, passing all components of the summative evaluation, meeting minimum requirements for clinical experiences and competencies and passing the capstone course, students are awarded Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies.

Students enrolled in the 5-year BSMS/MS Physician Assistant Studies Program will be advised of and provided with a copy of the "Progression Criteria." This "Progression Criteria" along with this document shall serve as guidelines for successful completion of this Program.

See reverse side for a suggested sequence

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