

Physician Assistant Studies (PAS) Courses

PAS5100 Applied Anatomy

This lecture and laboratory course covers the anatomy most relevant to clinical practice as a physician assistant through the use of prosection and dissection of human cadavers. The course proceeds through each of the body organ systems with presentations emphasizing normal and clinically relevant gross, regional and surface anatomy to include the musculoskeletal, neurologic, cardiovascular, respiratory, endocrine, gastrointestinal, renal and reproductive systems. This course complements, enhances and assists the student with integration of this information into the physical examination skills taught in the Patient Care I course. As part of this course, clinical correlations introduce the student to principles of radiologic imaging and laboratory studies to further recognize and evaluate normal anatomy, conditions and pathology. Applied Anatomy also serves to provide a foundation for the practical application of anatomical knowledge needed for the study and understanding of diseases which are taught in the Clinical Medicine I-IV courses and ultimately clinical practice.

Offered at Providence

3 Semester Credits

PAS5200 Foundations of Medicine

This lecture-based course provides the foundation of the basic scientific concepts and principles needed for the study and treatment of diseases. It consists of five modules: Microbiology, Immunology, Genetics, Cell Physiology and Introduction to Pharmacology. The five modules of the course provide the molecular and cellular basis of diseases which is vital for understanding the mechanisms of disease pathogenesis. The cell physiology module presents the physiological fundamentals and processes at the human cellular and tissue level necessary for understanding disease processes and drug metabolism. The genetics module presents the basic concepts and principles of genetics, the basic architecture of the genome, mechanisms of disease related to genetic changes, and gene therapy, to build upon the role of genetics in disease risk, development and prevention. The microbiology and immunology modules introduce and explore the roles of bacteria, viruses and other infectious-disease-causing microorganisms in humans. The module covers useful diagnostic laboratory procedures and emphasizes the clinical significance of pathogenicity and therapy. The Introduction to Pharmacology module presents the basic scientific principles of pharmacology, pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and biotransformation needed to understand the therapeutic uses and effects of drugs. The module provides an introduction of how to apply these principles to classes of drugs using prototype and common examples in each class.

Offered at Providence

4 Semester Credits

PAS5325 Patient Care I

Patient Care I is a lecture- and laboratory-based course designed to teach the principles and techniques for obtaining, performing and documenting a comprehensive medical history and complete physical examination. Lectures focus on history taking skills including communication and interviewing skills and humanistic principles. The normal physiologic findings for each system of the body in addition to initial introduction to abnormal findings indicative of disease states are also presented. The laboratory sessions focus on developing, practicing and meeting a defined level of skill needed to competently perform both the medical interview and a complete head to toe physical examination. Instructional techniques include lecture, small and large group dynamics, practical experience and critiques of interviewing, communication and physical examination skills by peers and faculty.

Offered at Providence

4 Semester Credits

PAS5344 Professional and Health Policy Issues I

Professional and Health Policy Issues (I-III) is a course which spans all three (3) first-year semesters. It is a lecture and small group dynamic based course which will focus on practical principles related to medical ethics and professionalism, healthcare delivery and policy issues and public health as they relate to the role and responsibilities of a physician assistant. Professional and Health Policy Issues I (PHP I) begins with an exploration of the program's emphasis on humanism in medicine. It introduces the student to principles related to medical ethics and includes the AAPA Guidelines for Ethical Conduct for the Physician Assistant Profession. It comprises instruction and discussion related to the laws and regulations regarding professional practice. Students explore and evaluate their own and others' cultural beliefs and values regarding health and illness, in order to understand the wide range of cultural differences and to navigate those differences comfortably for the best care of and relationship with the patient and significant others. As future providers within the U.S. health care system, students receive an overview of health care delivery systems. This course also covers the history and development of the physician assistant profession, its institutions, and current trends regarding legislation and regulations affecting PA practice. Finally, PHP I includes an introduction to the principles and practice of public health.

Offered at Providence

2.5 Semester Credits

PAS5425 Patient Care II

This lecture and small group work based course is designed to provide the student with opportunities to use their previous and ongoing fund of knowledge and skills and apply those to case-based patient scenarios. It is designed to teach and foster sound clinical decision-making using evidence-based practices and problem-based learning through case studies. The focus of this interactive course experience is the medical history, physical examination, clinical reasoning, laboratory evaluation, diagnosis, patient education and counseling for common problems encountered in primary care practice. In addition, the course stresses practice and implementation of humanistic techniques and approaches. The cases presented correlates with the disease states covered in Clinical Medicine I & II, Diagnostic Skills I and Pharmacotherapeutics I.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344.

Offered at Providence

3 Semester Credits

PAS5454 Professional and Health Policy Issues II

Professional and Health Policy Issues (I-III) is a course which spans all three (3) first-year semesters. It is a lecture and small group course which focuses on practical principles related to medical ethics and professionalism, cultural awareness and bias, healthcare delivery and policy issues, behavior change principles, evidence-based medicine, food as medicine, the opioid epidemic and public health as they relate to the role and responsibilities of a physician assistant. Professional and Health Policy Issues II begins with an introduction to research, exploration of the evidence-based medicine process and clinical practice guidelines. The course continues to explore professional, legal and ethical issues from the physician assistant perspective through practical application. There is exposure to inter-professional practice through multiple inter-professional activities. The course continues to build on knowledge gained in PHP I regarding the U.S. health care system and its delivery. PHP II introduces the theory of behavior change and application to module(s) in Clinical Medicine I.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5344.

Offered at Providence

2 Semester Credits

PAS5464 Professional and Health Policy Issues III

Professional and Health Policy Issues (I–III) is a course which spans all three (3) first-year semesters. It is a lecture and small group course which focuses on practical principles related to medical ethics and professionalism, cultural awareness and bias, healthcare delivery and policy issues, behavior change principles, evidence-based medicine, food as medicine, the opioid epidemic and public health as they relate to the role and responsibilities of a physician assistant. Professional and Health Policy Issues III continues with topics such as the theory and practice of behavior change, integrative medicine, medical ethics, food as medicine, professional practice, health policy and public health issues, human sexuality and death and dying. Students continue to explore the process and application of evidence-based medicine through critical appraisal of the literature.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5344, PAS5454.

Offered at Providence

2.5 Semester Credits

PAS5523 Clinical Medicine I

Clinical Medicine I (part of the series of courses Clinical Medicine I–IV) is a cornerstone course in the curriculum. This lecture-based course is designed to teach students the fundamental principles in epidemiology, physiology, pathophysiology, clinical presentation, diagnosis and management of disease states and conditions commonly encountered in primary care practice. This course is coordinated with the Patient Care II, Diagnostic Skills I and Pharmacotherapeutics I courses, refining history taking and physical examination skills, differentiating between diagnostic tests, and identifying pharmacotherapeutic options. This organ-system, evidence-based course encompasses initial presentation through follow-up care with a humanistic approach to a patient-centered medical model throughout the lifespan. Lectures present the most common clinical conditions (acute and chronic) seen by primary care providers. In addition, the course incorporates patient education, health promotion and disease prevention, and provides opportunities for students to develop and refine critical thinking skills in preparation for clinical practice. Organ systems covered in Clinical Medicine I include hematology, EENT (eye, ears, nose, throat), pulmonary, musculoskeletal and rheumatology.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344.

Offered at Providence

4 Semester Credits

PAS5533 Clinical Medicine II

Clinical Medicine II (part of the series of courses Clinical Medicine I–IV) is a cornerstone course in the curriculum. This lecture-based course is designed to teach students the fundamental principles in epidemiology, physiology, pathophysiology, clinical presentation, diagnosis and management of disease states and conditions commonly encountered in primary care practice. This course is coordinated with the Patient Care II, Diagnostic Skills I and Pharmacotherapeutics I courses, refining history taking and physical examination skills, differentiating between diagnostic tests, and identifying pharmacotherapeutic options in the management of the disease states and conditions. This organ-system, evidence-based course encompasses initial presentation through follow-up care with a humanistic approach to a patient-centered medical model throughout the lifespan. Lectures present the most common clinical conditions (acute and chronic) seen by primary care providers. In addition, the course incorporates patient education, health promotion and disease prevention, and provides opportunities for the student to develop and refine critical thinking skills in preparation for clinical practice. Organ systems covered in Clinical Medicine II include behavioral health, cardiology, dermatology and renal.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5523.

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4 Semester Credits

PAS5560 Pharmacotherapeutics I

Pharmacotherapeutics I is the study of the therapeutic uses and effects of drugs. This lecture-based course introduces students to general principles and the concepts of pharmacotherapeutics and drug product selection, including issues of efficacy, potential toxicities, compliance, monitoring parameters, drug interactions and cost. Pharmacotherapeutics I runs concurrently with Clinical Medicine I and Clinical Medicine II courses and focuses on the therapeutics associated with disease states presented in those respective courses. This course presents a rational and evidence-based approach to the selection of prescribed medications, including medications used in the treatment of acute and chronic illnesses across the lifespan. Additionally, students learn mechanisms of drug action in different therapeutic classes, dosage forms and dose-response relationships, common side effects of prototypic drugs in each category, drug side effects, adverse reactions and interactions for the commonly prescribed medications in the diseases and conditions in Clinical Medicine I and II. This course also utilizes a case study format using patient scenarios to develop clinical pharmacotherapeutic knowledge. In addition, this course examines legal and professional issues in prescribing.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344.

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3 Semester Credits

PAS5570 Pharmacotherapeutics II

Pharmacotherapeutics II builds on Pharmacotherapeutics I on the therapeutic uses and effects of drugs used in conditions, diseases and disease prevention. This lecture-based, small group and case study-based learning course introduces and refines student knowledge of general principles and concepts of pharmacotherapeutics, including drug selection, indications, contraindications, efficacy, potential toxicities, compliance, therapeutic monitoring, drug interactions and cost effectiveness. Pharmacotherapeutics II runs concurrently with Clinical Medicine III and Clinical Medicine IV courses and focuses on the therapeutics associated with conditions and diseases presented in those courses. Pharmacotherapeutics II provides an evidence-based approach to the selection and prescribing of medications used in the treatment of acute and chronic illnesses across the lifespan. The course also focuses on the application of pharmacotherapeutic principles in patient care situations with a focus on the mechanisms of action, dosage forms, dose-response relationships, common side effects, adverse reactions and interactions of commonly prescribed medications. In addition, this course examines legal and professional issues in prescribing medications across the lifespan.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5620.

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4 Semester Credits

PAS5620 Diagnostic Skills I

This lecture, laboratory and small-group based course is designed to provide students with functional knowledge in clinical laboratory medicine, radiological imaging and other diagnostic modalities used for diagnosing, treating and managing patients. The indications, limitations, benefits, potential risks and cost effectiveness of common and frequently used diagnostic modalities are presented. Normal and abnormal findings are also covered along with their correlation to the diseases. The content in this course is synchronized with organ systems and disease topics in the Clinical Medicine I and II courses. Evidence-based problem solving activities provide students opportunities to develop skills in selection and interpretation of diagnostic methods and findings, and apply those to the treatment and management decision-making process across the lifespan.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344.

Offered at Providence

4.5 Semester Credits

PAS5632 Diagnostic Skills II

This lecture, small group and laboratory-based course is designed to provide students with functional knowledge in clinical laboratory medicine, radiological imaging, screening instruments and other diagnostic modalities used for diagnosing, treating and managing patients. The course covers indications, limitations, benefits, potential risks and cost effectiveness of common and frequently used diagnostic modalities. The course content also includes normal and abnormal findings along with their correlation to disease and conditions commonly encountered in primary care across the lifespan. This course is synchronized with the organ systems, conditions and disease topics in the Clinical Medicine III and IV courses as well as Pharmacotherapeutics II. Evidence-based problem-solving activities provide students with the opportunity and practice needed to develop their skills in selection and interpretation of the diagnostic tests and findings, and to apply those to the treatment and management decision-making process.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5620.

Offered at Providence

3 Semester Credits

PAS5643 Clinical Medicine III

Clinical Medicine III (part of the series of courses Clinical Medicine I–IV) is a cornerstone course in the curriculum. This lecture-based course series provides physician assistant students with instruction in epidemiology, physiology, pathophysiology and the clinical presentation of diseases commonly encountered in primary care medicine. It also includes the diagnostic studies and findings needed to make a diagnosis as well as the management of patients from initial presentation through ongoing follow-up in a patient-centered model including patient education and specialty referral. The course builds upon the knowledge attained in first and second semester PA Program courses and applies it to the recognition, evaluation, treatment and management of common clinical conditions and diseases in the following organ systems: urologic, neurologic, infectious diseases, gynecologic, obstetrics, endocrine and gastrointestinal/nutritional. Lectures present the most common clinical conditions (acute and chronic) seen by primary care providers. The course incorporates healthy lifestyle practices and preventive medicine to promote health and reduce the risk of patient illness, injury and premature death. Preventive measures include the identification of risks factors, disease screening, substance abuse, domestic violence, immunization against communicable diseases and promotion of safety practices. Where applicable, genetic mechanisms in health and disease are integrated into each system, including parameters used to determine appropriate genetic risk factors, need for genetic testing and referral to genetic counselors.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5620.

Offered at Providence

5 Semester Credits

PAS5653 Clinical Medicine IV

Clinical Medicine IV (part of the series of courses Clinical Medicine I–IV) is a cornerstone course in the curriculum. This lecture-based course series provides physician assistant students with instruction in epidemiology, physiology, pathophysiology and the clinical presentation of diseases commonly encountered in primary care medicine. It also includes the diagnostic studies and findings needed to make a diagnosis as well as the management of patients from initial presentation through ongoing follow-up in a patient-centered model including patient education and specialty referral. The course builds upon the knowledge attained in first and second semester PA program courses and applies it to the recognition, evaluation, treatment and management of common clinical conditions and diseases in the following organ systems: pediatrics, geriatrics, surgery and emergency medicine. Lectures present the most common clinical conditions (acute and chronic) seen by primary care providers. The course incorporates healthy lifestyle practices and preventive medicine to promote health and reduce the risk of patient illness, injury and premature death. Preventive measures include the identification of risks factors, disease screening, substance abuse, domestic violence, immunization against communicable diseases and promotion of safety practices. Where applicable, genetic mechanisms in health and disease are integrated into each system, including parameters used to determine appropriate genetic risk factors, need for genetic testing and referral to genetic counselors.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5620, PAS5643.

Offered at Providence

5 Semester Credits

PAS5735 Patient Care III

This lecture and small-group course is designed to provide the student with opportunities to use their previous and ongoing fund of knowledge and skills and apply them to case-based patient scenarios. It is designed to teach and foster sound clinical decision-making using evidence-based practices and problem-based learning through case studies. The focus of this interactive course experience is the medical history, physical examination, clinical reasoning, laboratory evaluation, diagnosis and patient education of common problems encountered in primary care practice. In addition, this course stresses practice and implementation of humanistic techniques and approaches. The cases presented follow those disease states covered in Clinical Medicine III and IV, Diagnostic Skills II and Pharmacotherapeutics II.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5620, PAS5425, PAS5454.

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7 Semester Credits

PAS6100 Introduction to Clinical Practice Course

This lecture- and laboratory-based course is designed as a transitional course to provide students with the needed skills to effectively navigate their learning and the clinical setting. The laboratory portion of this course teaches commonly utilized clinical procedures and skills which students perform while on rotations.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725.

Offered at Providence

2 Semester Credits

PAS6200 Family Medicine Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the role of the physician assistant in family medicine. Students gain experience in the evaluation, treatment and management (including referral) of common diseases and conditions encountered in an outpatient family medicine setting emphasizing infant, child, adolescent, adult and geriatric patients. Students actively engage in applying medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of common problems encountered in ambulatory family medicine settings to include infant, child, adolescent, adult and geriatric patients. Students also work to incorporate a collaborative patient-centered, humanistic approach to the care of their patients. Supervised clinical practice experiences occur under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s). Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence
4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6250 Internal Medicine Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the role of the physician assistant in internal medicine. Students gain experience in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of adult and geriatric patients in either the ambulatory/outpatient or hospital/inpatient settings. Students actively engage in applying the medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of acute, chronic and emergent problems commonly encountered in the internal medicine outpatient and inpatient settings. Students also work to incorporate a collaborative patient-centered, humanistic approach to the care of patients. Supervised clinical practice experiences occur under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s). Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence
4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6300 Pediatric Medicine Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the role of the physician assistant in a pediatric care setting. Students actively engage in applying medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of common medical problems and issues encountered in pediatric medicine. Students also work to incorporate a collaborative patient-centered, humanistic approach to the care of pediatric patients. Students gain knowledge and experience in the efficient and effective evaluation, treatment and management (including referral) of common acute and chronic diseases and conditions encountered in the pediatric population to include infants, toddlers, children and adolescent patients as well as the assessment and evaluation of the well child and growth and development milestones across these age groups. Supervised clinical practice experiences occur under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s). Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence
4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6350 Women's Health Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the role of the physician assistant in women's health. Students actively engage in applying the medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of common medical problems and issues encountered in women's health. A collaborative patient-centered, humanistic approach as well as health promotion, disease prevention, patient education and counseling are incorporated in student encounters with patients. Students gain knowledge, experience and clinical skills needed to effectively recognize, manage and treat common acute, urgent, emergent and chronic diseases and conditions encountered in gynecology, obstetrics and prenatal care. Students also focus on routine women's and prenatal healthcare maintenance and the changing health needs of women throughout their lifespan. Supervised clinical practice experiences occur under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s).

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence
4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6400 Emergency Medicine Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the role of the physician assistant in the emergency department setting. Students actively engage in applying medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of acute, urgent and emergent problems commonly encountered in emergency medicine. Students gain knowledge and experience in the rapid and methodical assessment, evaluation, stabilization and treatment of acutely ill, traumatic, urgent, life-threatening and/or emergent pediatric, adult and geriatric patient presentations and work as a member of the emergency department team. Students work under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s).

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence
4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6450 Behavioral and Mental Health Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the role of the physician assistant in the behavioral/mental health setting. Students gain knowledge and experience toward the refinement of skills needed for the unique medical, physiological, behavioral and psychosocial components and issues common to the practice of psychiatry, behavioral and mental health. Students actively engage in applying the medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of common problems in patients with psychiatric, emotional and behavioral disturbances. Students work under the supervision of a program-determined licensed healthcare professional or the professional's designee(s) and adapt the standard medical history, physical examination, diagnostic and treatment plans to the psychiatric patient. Students also work to incorporate a collaborative patient-centered, humanistic approach to the care of patients.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence
4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6500 Surgery Clinical Course

This five-week required clinical rotation for second-year PA students focuses on the evaluation, treatment and management of common emergent, urgent, acute and chronic surgical diseases and conditions encountered in adult and geriatric patients to include pre-operative, intra-operative and post-operative care and management. Students actively engage in applying the medical knowledge and clinical skills gained during the didactic year, along with continuing to develop clinical reasoning through evidence-based approaches to the evaluation and management of problems encountered in the inpatient surgical setting. In addition, students work to expand their knowledge of surgical care as well as their surgical skills through active participation and engagement as part of the surgical team both within the hospital and operating suite settings. Students work under the supervision of a physician preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s).

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence

4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6600 Clinical Elective Course I

Students are granted the opportunity to complete two five-week elective rotations designed to facilitate their ability to evaluate health-related problems encountered in an area of medical interest. It can include the choice to obtain additional experience in one or two of the core rotation disciplines or other medical specialties. Students actively engage in applying basic medical knowledge, demonstrating and continuing development of their clinical reasoning and communication skills to the evaluation, treatment and management of common diseases and conditions encountered within the discipline or medical specialty chosen. The experience enhances students' understanding of the role of a physician assistant within their chosen elective as well as to the unique care needs of the patient population within this medical setting. Supervised clinical practice experiences occur under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s).

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence

4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6700 Clinical Elective Course II

Students are granted the opportunity to complete two five-week elective rotations designed to facilitate their ability to evaluate health-related problems encountered in an area of medical interest. It can include the choice to obtain additional experience in one or two of the core rotation disciplines or other medical specialties. Students actively engage in applying basic medical knowledge, demonstrating and continuing development of their clinical reasoning and communication skills to the evaluation, treatment and management of common diseases and conditions encountered within the discipline or medical specialty chosen. The experience enhances students' understanding of the role of a physician assistant within the chosen elective as well as to the unique care needs of the patient population within this medical setting. Supervised clinical practice experiences occur under the supervision of a program-determined preceptor or the preceptor's designee(s).

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence

4.5 Semester Credits

PAS6800 Master's Course

This course synthesizes learning from didactic coursework and supervised clinical practice experiences. Students participate in learning sessions that pertain to clinical medicine, patient care, and the transition to professional PA practice. Students also complete accreditation requirements for graduation, including a summative written examination, an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE), and an evidence-based medicine capstone project using research techniques.

Prerequisite(s): PAS5100, PAS5200, PAS5325, PAS5344, PAS5425, PAS5454, PAS5464, PAS5523, PAS5533, PAS5560, PAS5570, PAS5620, PAS5630, PAS5643, PAS5653, PAS5725, Corequisite: PAS6100.

Offered at Providence

1 Semester Credit