

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM (MS)

PCOM and PCOM Georgia

Department website: <https://www.pcom.edu/academics/programs-and-degrees/physician-assistant-studies/georgia.html>

PCOM offers a full-time 26-month graduate-level program in physician assistant studies.

The program provides a comprehensive didactic and laboratory year followed by a year of clinical preceptorships in a variety of clinical disciplines. All students complete a research practicum as part of the program.

The PCOM Physician Assistant Program is committed to excellence in education. As in any learning process, the content and methodology in our program reflect a mixture of objectivity, intuition and good faith. Our faculty and staff want to provide a creative environment for individual learning and growth, within a curriculum which, by necessity, is highly structured and intense. Viewing learning as a reciprocal, collaborative interaction between faculty and students, we endeavor to be responsive to perceived needs for change and welcome comments and suggestions from all who participate in the program for its ongoing evaluation and continued growth.

Graduation Requirements

Each candidate for the degree of Master of Science must achieve a GPA of 3.0 to graduate from the program and satisfactorily complete all degree requirements.

First Year

Term 1		Hours
Summer		
PHYA 502	Human Gross Anatomy	6
PHYA 519	Human Physiology	4
Hours		10

Term 2

Fall		
INDP 100	Inter Professional Appreciation and Caring Communities	0
PHYA 501	Pharmacologic Concepts and Pharmacotherapeutics	2
PHYA 503	History Taking and Physical Exam	6
PHYA 514	Professional Practice Issues and Health Policy	2
PHYA 531	Community Health Service	2
PHYA 534	Introduction to Pathogenesis and Clinical Genetics	1
PHYA 542	Research Methods	2
PHYA 549	Radiology for the Physician Assistant	3
Hours		18

Term 3

Spring		
INDP 100	Inter Professional Appreciation and Caring Communities	0
PHYA 510	Clinical Medicine I	8

PHYA 511	Clinical Medicine II	8
PHYA 515	Medicine, Law, and Health Care Ethics	1
PHYA 520	Pharmacology I	2
PHYA 521	Pharmacology II	2
PHYA 535	Pathophysiology I	2
PHYA 536	Pathophysiology II	1
PHYA 543	Evidenced-Based Medicine	2
Hours		26

Term 4

Hours		0
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Second Year

Term 1

Summer		
PHYA 512	Clinical Medicine III	8
PHYA 522	Pharmacology III	2
PHYA 530	Behavioral Medicine and Psychiatry	1
PHYA 537	Pathophysiology III	1
PHYA 513	Clinical Medicine IV	7
PHYA 523	Pharmacology IV	1
Hours		20

Term 2

Fall and Spring

Term 2 & Term 3 (Students will only take 6 of the 7 below, total of 48 credits for Fall and Spring)

PHYA 550	Family Medicine Preceptorship	8
PHYA 551	Internal Medicine Preceptorship	8
PHYA 553	Emergency Medicine Preceptorship	8
PHYA 554	Gynecology/Prenatal Preceptorship	8
PHYA 555	General Surgery Preceptorship	8
PHYA 556	Behavioral Medicine Preceptorship	8
PHYA 557	Pediatrics Preceptorship	8
Hours		56

Third Year

Term 1

Summer (Includes Core Preceptorship #7 from list of preceptorships in Second year)		
PHYA 558	Elective Preceptorship I	6
PHYA 559	Elective Preceptorship II	6
PHYA 560	Research Practicum	2
PHYA 562	Comprehensive Exam Review	3
Hours		17
Total Hours		147