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Physician Assistant Medicine

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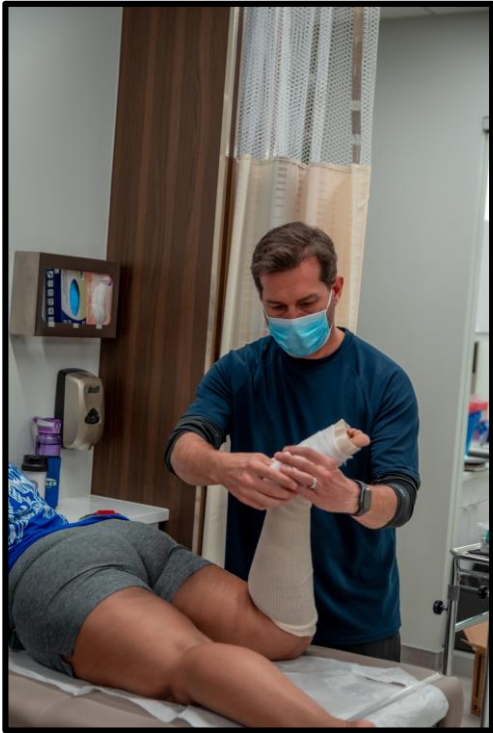
Objectives

After completion of this activity the participant will be able to:

1. Discuss the highlights of UT and the PA program
2. Understand the minimum standards for application
3. Describe the program process for interview selection and the on-campus interview
4. Identify application cycle key dates
5. Complete the supplemental application* and required supporting documents

UT Overview

- Private university, urban campus in downtown Tampa, Florida
- 10,500 undergraduate and graduate students
- 60 buildings on 110 landscaped acres
- Plant Hall – a National Historic Landmark built in 1891 – serves as the main academic and administrative building.
 - *It was formerly the Tampa Bay Hotel*



PA Program Overview

- Cohort-based admission each fall
- 48 students accepted per cohort
- 27-month program
 - *7 consecutive semesters*
- Full time curriculum
 - *Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm*
 - *Working while in the program is highly discouraged*

Cohort Demographics

	Age	Gender Female/Male	Veteran	First Generation	UT Alumni	Florida Resident
Cohort 2019 admitted	26.2	62.5/37.5%	25%	33.34%	4.2%	33.3%
Cohort 2020 admitted	29.3	56.3/43.8%	31.3%	45.8%	8.3%	35.4%
Cohort 2021 admitted	31.4	50/50%	33.3%	70.8%	4.2%	37.5%
Cohort 2022 admitted	28.3	79.2/20.8%	14.6%	62.5%	12.5%	58.3%
PAEA 2019 MSS	25.6	75/25%	5.2%	33.8%	NR	NR
PAEA REPORT #35 2020	25.2	72.2/26.4%	NR	NR	NR	NR
Florida 2019 (ACS)	42.4 (M)	51.1/48.9%	8.2%	NR	NR	NR

Cohort Demographics

	Not Reported	African American	American Indian/Alaskan	Asian	Caucasian	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2 or More
Cohort 2019 admitted	6.3%	12.5%	2.1%	8.3%	68.8%	10.4%	0%	8.3%
Cohort 2020 admitted	4.2%	12.5%	0%	22.9%	64.6%	18.8%	0%	20.8%
Cohort 2021 admitted		16.7%	0%	12.5%	60.4%	16.7%	0%	
Cohort 2022 admitted	6.3%	14.6%	2.1%	8.3%	79.2%	20.8%	0%	31.3%
PAEA 2019 MSS		3.9%	1.3%	11.9%	86.2%	9.1%	0.6%	7.2%
PAEA REPORT #35 2020	9.4%	3.9%	0.5%	9.9%	69.4%	7.6%	1.6%	2.2%
Florida 2020 (Census)	7.3% (other)	15.1%	0.3%	3.0%	57.7%	26.5%	0.1%	16.5%

Cohort GPA Averages

	GPA- Undergraduate	GPA-Last 60	GPA- Pre-req
Cohort 2019 admitted	3.44	3.58	3.41
Cohort 2020 admitted	NR	3.71	3.61
Cohort 2021 admitted	NR	3.72	3.60
Cohort 2022 admitted	3.37	3.68	3.61
PAEA 2019 MSS	3.63	NR	NR
PAEA REPORT #35 2020	3.58	NR	3.52 (Science)

Graduate Degree Preference

	Bachelor's Degree	Master's Degree	Doctoral Degree
Cohort 2019 admitted	81.2%	14.6%	4.2%
Cohort 2020 admitted	83.3%	14.6%	2.1%
Cohort 2021 admitted	72.9%	27.1% (Post-grad degree)	
Cohort 2022 admitted	87.5%	12.5% (Post-grad degree)	
PAEA 2019 MSS	87.0%	7.9%	0.5%
PAEA REPORT #35 2020	NR	NR	NR
Florida 2019 (ACS)	19.3%	11.4% (Graduate or Professional Degree)	—

Cohort Patient Care Experience Preference

	Professional License	Employed in Patient Care	Mean Patient Care Hours
Cohort 2019 admitted	22.9%	89.6%	3857.9
Cohort 2020 admitted	33.4%	100%	9640.5
Cohort 2021 admitted		100%	13,390.8
Cohort 2022 admitted	41.67%	100%	8014.2
PAEA 2019 MSS	NR	90.5%	3120 (Mdn)
PAEA REPORT #35 2020	NR	NR	3240 (Mdn)
Florida 2019 (ACS)	NR	NR	NR

Program Highlights

- “Didactic Interprofessional Seminar” curricular phase
- State-of-the-art facilities
 - *Simulation lab including Anatomage table and Syndaver cadavers*
- Hands-on human cadaver experience
- Clinical rotations located in the Central Florida region
- PA program is its own department with dedicated faculty

Accreditation Status

The ARC-PA has granted **Accreditation-Provisional** status to **The University of Tampa Physician Assistant Medicine Program** sponsored by **The University of Tampa**.

Accreditation-Provisional is an accreditation status granted when the plans and resource allocation, if fully implemented as planned, of a proposed program that has not yet enrolled students appear to demonstrate the program's ability to meet the ARC-PA Standards or when a program holding Accreditation-Provisional status appears to demonstrate continued progress in complying with the Standards as it prepares for the graduation of the first class (cohort) of students.

Accreditation-Provisional does not ensure any subsequent accreditation status. It is limited to no more than five years from matriculation of the first class.

PANCE PASS RATE



Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination Five Year First Time Taker Summary Report

Program Name: University of Tampa

Program Number: 6093

Report Date: 03-15-2022

Definitions of the report headings are provided at the end of the report.
All information is current as of the date the report was generated.

Class*	Class Graduation Year	Number of First Time Takers	Program First Time Taker Pass Rate
2019 Cohort	2021	45	78%

Five Year First Time Taker Average Pass Rate for Program: 78%

*Note: The PANCE testing window ends each year near mid-December. Classes that graduate in December may be required to test in the following calendar year due to their graduation dates. Similarly, individual December graduates may elect to test after the start of the new year. Accordingly, it may be appropriate for programs that graduate in December to compare their first-time taker pass rates with the national averages from the following calendar year.

National First Time Taker Pass Rate By Calendar Year	
Year	Pass Rate
2021	93%
2022**	Available in 2023

Five Year National First Time Taker Average:95%

**Note: NCCPA conducts practice analysis and standard setting studies approximately every three to five years and, based on the most recent analyses, implemented a new PANCE blueprint and passing standard effective January 1, 2019. The pass rate, based on first-time taker performance for the 2022 calendar year, will be available in early 2023.

Attrition Report

	Graduated Classes		
	Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Maximum entering class size (as approved by ARC-PA)	48	48	48
Entering class size	48	48	48
Graduates	47	#	#
*Attrition rate	2%	#	#
**Graduation rate	98%	#	#

Employment/Residency/Fellowship Placement Rate for most current class: Data not yet available.*

Rates will be calculated as follows:

*Attrition rate calculation per ARC-PA: Number of students who attrited from cohort divided by the entering class size.

**Graduation rate per ARC-PA: Number of cohort graduates divided by the entering class size.

**Graduation is held annually in December. The next graduation will be in December 2022.

Clinical Rotations

- Students not required to provide or solicit clinical sites or preceptors
- Clinical rotations located in the Central Florida region

Required Rotations (7- 5 wk)

- Family medicine
- Inpatient medicine
- Emergency medicine
- Women's Health medicine
- Pediatric medicine
- Surgical medicine
- Behavioral medicine

Elective Experiences (2- 4 wk)

- Healthcare leadership
- Professional development
- Research
- Forensics
- Disaster medicine
- Academic medicine
- Military medicine

Rotation Site Affiliations

- Tampa General Hospital
- Tampa General Medical Group
- HCA West Florida
- BayCare Medical Group
- Florida Orthopaedic Institute
- Crisis Center of Tampa Bay
- Sarasota Memorial Healthcare System
- MacDill Air Force Base 6th Medical Group Clinics
- AdventHealth Tampa

Minimum Qualifications

- 3.0 last 60 credit hours GPA
- 3.0 prerequisite course GPA
- PA-CAT taken, and scores reported by July 1 or December 15, 2022, depending on which interview applied to
- All prerequisite courses completed by July 1 or December 15, 2022, depending on which interview applied to
- Undergraduate degree conferred by July 1, 2023
- Meet at least 2 program preferences
- No history of felony convictions
- No patient care experience required, but encouraged
- No PA shadowing is required, but encouraged
- Professional behavior throughout the application process in all interactions

Program Preferences

Applicants must meet the minimum requirements AND at least 2 of the following to be considered for an interview:

- Direct patient care experience > 750 hours
- Work experience or research hours > 500 hours
- Community service/mission work > 250 hours
- Leadership activities ≥ 1 year
- First generation college student (you or your siblings are the first in your family to earn a Bachelor's degree)
- Graduate degree earned in any discipline by July 1 or December 15, 2022, depending on which interview you are applying for
- Military service. Veterans must have an honorable or entry-level discharge.
- University of Tampa alumni
- *Pre-req GPA, last 60 GPA, and PA-CAT scaled score performance is weighted in the application scoring, but does not serve as a preference requirement

Rolling Admissions

- Two verified application deadlines
 - **July 1, 2022**, for August 11 & 12, 2022, interview
 - **December 15, 2022**, for February 3, 2023, interview
- Numbers interviewed
 - August 2022: 60 interviewed & up to 32 selected
 - February 2023: 30 interviewed & at least 16 selected
- There is a numerical **advantage** to applying early and getting admitted
- There is no preference for Florida residents

Required Prerequisite Courses

- **General Biology I and II* with lab** (*may substitute Cell Biology, Genetics, Immunology, Virology, or Biochemistry**)
- **General Chemistry I and II* with lab** (*may substitute Organic Chemistry or Biochemistry**)
- **Anatomy & Physiology I and II with lab**
 - Alternative can be a separate anatomy with lab and physiology with lab
- **Microbiology with lab** (one course)
- **Statistics course** (one course) covering parametric and non-parametric statistics
- The program accepts AP and CLEP credit for prerequisites listed above, but the applicant must replace the waived course with a similar type course (e.g., Gen Bio I AP credit given and substituted with Genetics with lab course). A PA Program Petition form must be completed and forwarded to the program for review

****Cannot double-dip**

Prerequisite Requirements

- Must be completed at a regionally accredited institution with a “C” or better
- Must be completed by July 1 or December 15, 2022, depending on which interview you are applying for. The program does not allow outstanding prereqs beyond the application deadline
- Grade forgiveness: we take the highest grade for retaken prerequisite courses
- Minimum prerequisite GPA of 3.0 and may not be waived
- Courses greater than ten years from the date of graduation (degree during which prerequisites were completed) will not be accepted unless the applicant has provided direct patient care for at least 4,000 hours within the last 10 years from December 15 of the year applied
- Community college courses and online courses are acceptable

Selecting Prerequisites

- Only highlight the required prerequisites and respective labs with the highest grades. This is consistent with our grade forgiveness policy
- Do not highlight any repeated courses with lower grades or substitute any courses for which a petition form hasn't been submitted. This slows your application down from being reviewed and may delay an interview offer

PA-CAT

- Exam has predictive value in identifying applicants that may have difficulty in classes and passing PANCE
- Exam is *required*
- Exam must be completed, and score reported by July 1 or December 15, 2022, depending on which interview you are applying to
- It can take Exam Master 3 weeks to report score so plan accordingly
- Scaled score is weighted in the admissions decision
- PA-CAT website <https://www.pa-cat.com/>

Application Requirements

- General CASPA application
- 3 letters of recommendation. Review first 3 submitted if more than 3 sent
- Personal Statement
- UT-specific supplemental questions within CASPA
- *NO* supplemental application fee
- UT-specific required documents
 - *TOEFL/IELTS/Duolingo, if applicable* and uploaded with application
 - *NACES evaluation, if applicable* and uploaded with application
 - *DD 214 forms, if applicable* and uploaded with application
 - *PA Program Petition form, if applicable* and emailed to pam@ut.edu
- Send an email to pam@ut.edu alerting us of any changes to your application after you have submitted the application but not later than July 1 or December 15, 2022, depending on which interview you are applying to
- The changes should also be uploaded to CASPA

Interviews

- On-campus interview is required
- Selected applicants will be notified via email by date listed below
- The program will interview 90 applicants in 3 sessions
- Interview notification, dates conducted, and admission offers:
 - For Applicants who apply by July 1, 2022, deadline
 - 60 notified by July 27, 2022
 - Interviews conducted on August 11, 2022, or August 12, 2022
 - Admission offers August 19, 2022
 - Deposit (\$1,500) due August 24, 2022
 - For Applicants who apply by December 15, 2022, deadline
 - 30 notified by January 20, 2023
 - Interview conducted on February 3, 2023
 - Admission offers February 10, 2023
 - Deposit (\$1,500) due February 15, 2023

Key Dates Depending on Admit Deadline

- **April 28, 2022:** CASPA application opens
- **July 1, 2022, or December 15, 2022:** CASPA application must be verified, all prerequisites completed, graduate degree completed, PA-CAT score reported, and supporting documents are due
- **July 27, 2022, or January 20, 2023:** Interview invitations are extended
- **August 11-12, 2022, or February 3, 2023:** Tentative interview dates
- **August 19, 2022, or February 10, 2023:** Acceptance decisions are extended
- **August 24, 2022, or February 15, 2023:** Deposit deadline
- **July 1, 2023:** Undergraduate degree must be conferred

Waitlist

- Only interviewed applicants are eligible and will be compiled after all interviews are completed
- The waitlist is available online starting February 11, 2023
- Applicants will be listed by CASPA ID #
- The list will be updated regularly
- Offers will be extended via email and deposit must be submitted within 72 hours

Program Costs

Cohort 2023 - 2025:
Tuition - \$15,302 per
semester

Fees - \$1,535 per
semester

Total projected tuition
and fees for the 27-
month program:
\$117,859

Items covered include:

- All textbooks
- Personal computer
- BLS/ACLS/PALS certifications
- White lab coat (*The cost of one lab coat only is covered by the program.*)
- One set of program-required scrubs
- Software/equipment required for ultrasound training, EKG training, virtual patient cases, logging of clinical experiences and high-stakes testing
- Professional conference attendance (*one FAPA conference*)
- Professional organization membership (*one AAPA and FAPA*)
- Gross anatomy lab fees and equipment
- Simulation lab fees

Note: Each student will be required to purchase a stethoscope. Student is responsible for repeat urine drug screens, criminal background checks, TB skin tests and immunizations required for clinical placement.

Next Steps

How do I learn more about the program to help me apply?

Our intent is to have the PA Program website, Frequently Asked Questions, Class Admission Profile, and Virtual Advising Sessions to assist applicants in completing the CASPA and program supplemental application.

- **Link to virtual and on-campus events**
- **PA Program Petition Form**
- **PAM@ut.edu**

Professionalism throughout the application process is evaluated

Thank you and good luck!

