



Master of Physician Assistant Studies Program

Tomorrow Ready

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Active, team-based learning in high-tech classrooms
- Hands-on practice in on-campus simulation and health assessment labs, allowing you to apply what you are learning right away
- Clinical exposure across all 25 months of the program at some of the nation's leading health care institutions
- Summer anatomy lab at Harvard Medical School
- Dedication to primary care for urban, underserved populations
- Interprofessional learning with students and practitioners across the health professions

APPLICATION PROCESS

The Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program at MGH Institute of Health Professions participates in CASPA, the Centralized Application Service for Physician Assistants.

Items to submit directly to CASPA:

- CASPA Application with application fee
- Official transcript(s) from all colleges/universities attended
- Three (3) recommendation letters
- Statement of Intent
- Healthcare experience hours verification

ADDITIONAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

TOEFL/IELTS - Applicants whose first language is not English must provide test scores from either the [TOEFL](#) (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or the [IELTS](#) (International English Language Testing System). The test must have been taken within two years of the application deadline and official score reports are required.

Minimum TOEFL (internet-based) requirement is 89 and the minimum IELTS requirement is 6.5.

Please visit our [website](#) for additional information.

ONLINE PREREQUISITES AT MGH INSTITUTE

MGH Institute's Online Prerequisites for the Health Professions provide you with the content and preparation you need to succeed in graduate school. Courses are taught by practicing clinicians and researchers, and examples are drawn from health care. All courses are available in the spring, summer or fall semesters, and science courses can be taken with or without a lab.

Find out more information: www.mghihp.edu/overview/online-prerequisites

31% Growth

Bureau of Labor Statistics projects the need for PA's will grow by 31% over the next 10 years.

1st

Physician Assistant is ranked second in *U.S. News & World Report's* list of best health care jobs.

Top Profession

CNN/Money.com ranked physician assistants as one of the nation's best jobs.



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PREREQUISITES COURSES

Admission into the MPAS program requires a bachelor's degree from an accredited US college or university and the following prerequisite coursework:

- Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II (8 credits with lab) or
 - Human Anatomy (4 credits with lab) and
 - Human Physiology (4 credits with lab)
- Biology (4 credits with lab)
- Microbiology (4 credits with lab)
- Chemistry (8 credits with lab)
- Psychology (3 credits; Abnormal, General or Developmental Psychology are acceptable)
- Statistics (3 credits)

HEALTH CARE EXPERIENCE HOURS

A minimum of 1,000 hours of hands-on, direct patient care experience is required at the time of application.

FOREIGN TRANSCRIPTS

Applicants that have earned a degree from a non-US institution are required to submit a course-by-course credential evaluation from one of the following NACES (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services) members: Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc., SpanTran: The Evaluation Company, World Education Services (WES), or the Center for Educational Documentation. If you earned your bachelor's degree outside the U.S. this credential evaluation must document minimum equivalency of a US baccalaureate degree or higher.

FINANCIAL AID

A limited number of competitive scholarships are available; applicants are automatically considered upon acceptance. In addition, the Institute offers graduate assistantships and participates in federal and private loan programs. We encourage applicants to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (www.fafsa.gov) and to explore external resources. Additional information is available on our website (www.mghihp.edu) and you may also contact the Financial Aid Office at financialaid@mghihp.edu.

A number of financial aid opportunities are available for Veterans. U.S. Military Scholarship and Student Loan Repayment programs are offered through the five branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. The Institute also participates in the Yellow Ribbon Program and other Veteran Benefits for Education. The Registrar's Office will assist eligible student Veterans, Reservists, and dependents in obtaining educational benefits in compliance with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

ARC-PA ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

At its June 2019 meeting, the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc. (ARC-PA) placed the MGH Institute of Health Professions Physician Assistant Program sponsored by MGH Institute of Health Professions on Accreditation-Probation status until its next review in June 2021.

Probation is a temporary status of accreditation conferred when a program does not meet the Standards and when the capability of the program to provide an acceptable educational experience for its students is threatened.

Once placed on probation, programs that still fail to comply with accreditation requirements in a timely manner, as specified by the ARC-PA, may be scheduled for a focused site visit and/or risk having their accreditation withdrawn. Click [here](#) to read our FAQ about the factors that led to this accreditation decision.



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