



# 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
- 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 - The language of instruction and clinical education at the MGH Institute is English and a high level of proficiency in both written and spoken English is required. Applicants who have not completed either an undergraduate or graduate program where English is the language of instruction must demonstrate English Language proficiency as part of your application to the MGH Institute of Health Professions.

The IHP accepts 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. The minimum TOEFL (internet-based) score accepted is 89 and the minimum IELTS score accepted is 6.5.

Please visit our website for the complete policy.

## 31% Growth

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

## 2nd

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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### 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](http://www.mghihp.edu/overview/online-prerequisites)

### 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 I & II (8 credits with lab)
- Psychology (3 credits; Abnormal, General or Developmental Psychology are acceptable)
- Statistics (3 credits)

Please visit our website for the most up-to-date application requirements.

### HEALTH CARE EXPERIENCE HOURS

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

### ARC-PA ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

The Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc. (ARC-PA) has granted Accreditation-Continued status to the MGH Institute of Health Professions Master of Physician Assistant Studies sponsored by MGH Institute of Health Professions. Accreditation-Continued is an accreditation status granted when a currently accredited program is in compliance with the ARC-PA Standards.

Accreditation remains in effect until the program closes or withdraws from the accreditation process or until accreditation is withdrawn for failure to comply with the Standards. The approximate date for the next validation review of the program by the ARC-PA will be 2029 June. The review date is contingent upon continued compliance with the Accreditation Standards and ARC-PA policy.

The program's accreditation history can be viewed on the [ARC-PA website](http://www.arc-pa.org).



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