Health Sciences BS/Physician Assistant MS (3+2)

Jefferson is known for crossing disciplines to reimagine the way students learn with an approach that is collaborative and active; global; integrated with industry; focused on research across disciplines to foster innovation and discovery; and technology-enhanced. As a national doctoral research university, Jefferson delivers high-impact professional education in 160 undergraduate and graduate programs to 7,800 students in architecture, business, design, engineering, fashion and textiles, health, social science and science.

CAREER and INTERNSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Our program prepares PA professionals who extend and complement the capabilities of physicians in the delivery of health care in today’s rapidly changing medical environment. Our alumni have secured positions ranging from family and internal medicine to procedural areas of medicine such as surgery and interventional radiology. In five years, you could be:

- Working with children in a family practice.
- Helping with trauma patients in the emergency room.
- Creating management plans for patients with degenerative diseases.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

At Jefferson, you can earn both your bachelor’s and master’s degrees in five years through our accelerated dual degree program. The nationally-recognized physician assistant (PA) program boasts a 96% pass rate on the PANCE national certification exam over the last 5 years, and is known for educating excellent, compassionate and dedicated professionals. Students in the PA program will:

- Learn from clinically-active and nationally-recognized faculty.
- Prepare for clinical rotations in our simulation lab that allows students to practice examinations.
- Use state-of-the-art facilities to get advanced experience in genetics, microbiology, histology, physical diagnosis and gross anatomy (cadaver dissection) labs.
- Benefit from an individualized advisor mentorship.
- Experience an undergraduate curriculum that has the flexibility to allow students to take free electives and/or study away during your junior year.
- Complete a full year of clinical rotations in hospital and outpatient settings where you will work alongside physicians and physician assistants in medical offices and facilities to assess, diagnose, treat and prevent a wide range of health conditions in patients of all ages.

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PRE-PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PATHWAY

The BS/MS in Physician Assistant Studies is a competitive program with limited seats. Students who are highly qualified who are not accepted into the accelerated program can complete the four-year BS in Health Sciences following the curriculum in the Pre-PA pathway and, after completing either Year 3 or Year 4, apply for admission into the graduate PA program at Jefferson East Falls or New Jersey campuses. Students from Jefferson who meet progression criteria are guaranteed an interview. All PA prerequisite courses are completed during the undergraduate program.