

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

The Ithaca College (IC) Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MS-PAS) is a 27-month continuous program that includes a foundation in the basic and medical sciences, cadaver anatomy lab, clinical coursework, clinical skills and procedures and nine clinical rotations.

The didactic phase is 15 months and the clinical phase is 12 months. IC MS-PAS program is committed to a servant leadership model, innovative thinking and an equity framework to graduate Physician Assistants who are educated, engaged and empowered to advocate for their patients and provide exemplary professional performance in the communities they serve.

The Ithaca College Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MS-PAS) is a graduate program, which is 27 months in length and comprised of 112 credits. The program includes 15 months of didactic classroom work and 12 months of supervised clinical experiences in healthcare facilities. The didactic phase includes education in the basic sciences, understanding of each organ system, and exposure to patients in a clinical setting and practice in the Clinical Learning Center and Simulation Lab. In addition, learners complete a capstone project and interprofessional education. There are no electives in the MS-PAS Program.

Graduation Requirements

All required graduate coursework is listed below and must be taken in the sequence established by the MS-PAS Program unless permission to deviate from the sequence or time frame is approved by the Program Director.

All physician assistant majors must take graduate-level courses offered by the MS-PAS Program for a letter grade unless otherwise specified in the course descriptions.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Didactic Year Courses		
PASG 60000	Medical Interviewing, Documentation & Counseling	3
PASG 60100	Foundations of Medical Sciences: Genetics, Microbiology & Infectious Disease	3
PASG 60200	Foundations of Medical Sciences: Physiology	3
PASG 60300	Diagnostic Imaging	2
PASG 60400	Human and Radiographic Anatomy and Lab	6
PASG 60500	Physician Assistant Professional Practice	1
PASG 60610	Clinical Assessment I	4
PASG 60620	Clinical Assessment II	4
PASG 60710	Clinical Laboratory and Diagnostics I	2
PASG 60720	Clinical Laboratory and Diagnostics II	2
PASG 60810	Clinical Medicine I	6

PASG 60820	Clinical Medicine II	6
PASG 60830	Clinical Medicine III	6
PASG 60910	Evidenced Based Medicine I: Introduction & Research Methodology	2
PASG 60920	Evidenced Based Medicine II: Critical Appraisal	2
PASG 60930	Evidenced Based Medicine III: Effective Communication in Health Care	2
PASG 61700	Population and Community Health	2
PASG 61010	Pharmacology and Therapeutics I	2
PASG 61020	Pharmacology and Therapeutics II	2
PASG 61100	Leadership and Advocacy	1
PASG 61210	Interprofessional Education I	0
PASG 61220	Interprofessional Education II: Interprofessional Communication	0
PASG 61310	Pathophysiology I	2
PASG 61320	Pathophysiology II	2
PASG 61400	Behavioral and Mental Health Care	3
PASG 61500	Clinical Skills and Procedures	4
PASG 61600	Ethics, Law, and Social Justice in Healthcare	1
Clinical Year Rotation Courses		
PASG 70000	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Family Medicine	4
PASG 70100	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Internal Medicine	4
PASG 70200	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Surgery	4
PASG 70300	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Pediatric & Adolescent Medicine	4
PASG 70400	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Women's Health	4
PASG 70500	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Behavioral and Mental Health Care	4
PASG 70600	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - Emergency Medicine	4
PASG 70700	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - General Elective Rotation I	4
PASG 70800	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience - General Elective Rotation II	4
PASG 70900	Transition to Clinical Practice	3
Total Credits		112