MISERICORDIA UNIVERSITY PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM
REQUIREMENTS & DEADLINES
FOR PROGRESSION IN AND COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAM

The program curriculum is designed to be delivered on a full-time basis. The course sequencing includes 22 medical and clinical science Didactic courses that prepare students to enter the clinical year. Once in the clinical year, students must successfully complete 8 supervised clinical experiences and a summative evaluation course. The summative evaluation course components must be satisfied within the final four months of the program in order for the clinical year student to progress to program completion.

Requirements for progression in and completion of the program include: academic requirements, credentialing requirements, and technical standards. The stages of the program are:

- Didactic to Clinical
- Clinical to Graduation
- Summative Evaluation
- Graduation Requirements

Failure of any component may result in dismissal from the PA program. Progression Requirements must be completed by students while enrolled in the program. The following table lists requirements and deadlines for progression in and completion of the program. Each student must complete all didactic and clinical components of the program, including PA635 Summative Evaluation, within 36 months after beginning the program.

Requirements and Deadlines for progression in and completion of the program:

DIDACTIC TO CLINICAL PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS:

ACADEMIC:

1. Successful completion of all Didactic year courses
2. Have not received more than two (2) course grades of C in Didactic phase.
3. End of didactic phase cumulative GPA must be 3.0 or better
4. Successful completion of any Remediation Requirements
5. Satisfactory score on Professionalism Development Assessment Tool
6. Successful completion and passage of the 2 station OSCE
7. Successful completion and passage of the history and physical assessment OSCE
8. Successful completion PA 552 Medical Procedures & Clinical Skills Certificate
9. Successful completion of BLS/ACLS
10. Successful completion of OSHA/HIPAA/BBP training

CREDENTIALING:

1. Satisfactory One-year criminal background check
2. Satisfactory background check child abuse
3. Satisfactory background check fingerprints
4. Satisfactory PATCH-Pennsylvania state police criminal report
5. Satisfactory 10 Panel Drug Screening
6. Satisfactory MUPA Health HP Exam Form demonstrating good health
7. Completed Technical Standards form
8. Proof of current personal health insurance
9. Proof of Flu shot current season (no later than October 31)
10. Proof of updated annual TB Screening requirements

CLINICAL TO GRADUATION PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS:

ACADEMIC:

1. Successful completion of Didactic to Clinical Year Progression Requirements
2. Have not received more than two (2) course grades of C in Didactic or Clinical phase.
3. End of clinical phase cumulative GPA must be 3.0 or better
4. Successful completion of any Remediation Requirements
5. Successful completion of all Clinical Rotations

CREDENTIALING (SECOND SUMMER TERM):

1. Satisfactory one-year criminal background check
2. Satisfactory background check child abuse
3. Satisfactory background check fingerprints
4. Satisfactory PATCH-Pennsylvania state police criminal report
5. Satisfactory 10 Panel Drug Screening
6. Satisfactory MUPA Health HP Exam Form demonstrating good health
7. Proof of current personal health insurance
8. Proof of updated annual TB Screening requirements
9. Completed Technical Standards Form

SUMMATIVE EVALUATION PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Successful completion of Exiting Professionalism Assessment
2. Successful completion of Summative OSCE
3. Successful completion of Summative Examination
4. Successful completion of Summative History & Physical
5. Successful completion of the Master's Project
6. Successful completion of Summative Procedures and Test Interpretation
7. Successful completion of any Remediation Requirements

GRAUATION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Successful completion of Didactic to Clinical, Clinical to Graduation, and Summative Evaluation Progression Requirements
2. Program Ending Cumulative GPA (3.0 or above)
3. Successful completion of any Remediation Requirements
4. Successful completion of all University Graduation Requirements (academic and financial)

PROGRAM COMPLETION DEADLINE:

Each student must complete all didactic and clinical components of the program, including PA635 Summative Evaluation, within 36 months after beginning the program.

Note: Policies and procedures are consistently applied to all similar situations in a similar manner.