

**Student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **G#:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(If applicable)

Applicants may choose only one site to which they will apply: \_\_\_ **Grand Rapids** or \_\_\_ **Traverse City**

√	Prerequisite Courses <i>Minimum grade of "C" required in each course</i>	School	Equivalent Course Subject/Course Number	Year	Grade
	<b>BIO 120</b> General Biology I				
	<b>BIO 355</b> Human Genetics <sup>or BIO 375 &amp; 376</sup> (GV Prerequisite: BIO 120 or BIO 104)				
	<b>BMS 208</b> *^ Human Anatomy (GV prerequisite: BIO 120) <u>and</u> <b>BMS 309</b> Laboratory in Human Anatomy (GV prerequisite: "B" or better in BMS 208) <b>BMS 290</b> *^ Human Physiology (GV prereq: BMS 208 & 2 chem courses) <u>and</u> <b>BMS 391</b> Laboratory in Human Physiology (BMS 290 <u>or</u> BMS 251 w/ two semesters of chemistry)				
	<b>or</b>				
	<b>BMS 250</b> *^ Anatomy & Physiology I (GV prerequisite: BIO 120) <u>and</u> <b>BMS 251</b> *^ Anatomy & Physiology II (GV prerequisite: BMS 250)				
	<b>BMS 212</b> *^ Introductory Microbiology and <b>BMS 213</b> Micro Lab (GV Prerequisite: BIO 120 & CHM 230 or 232 or 241 or 245)				
	<b>CHM 109</b> Introductory Chemistry <sup>or CHM 115 &amp; 116</sup>				
	<b>CHM 231</b> ^ Introductory Organic Chemistry <sup>or CHM 241 &amp; 242</sup> (GV Prerequisite: CHM 109 or CHM 116)				
	<b>CHM 232</b> *^ Biological Chemistry <sup>or CHM 461</sup> (GV Prerequisite: CHM 231)				
	<b>PHY 200</b> Physics for the Life Sciences <sup>or PHY 220</sup> (GV Prerequisite: MTH 110 or MTH 122 or MTH 201)				
	<b>PSY 101</b> Introductory Psychology <sup>or PSY 364 Life Span Development</sup>				
	<b>STA 215</b> Introductory Applied Statistics (GV Prerequisite: MTH 110)				

The subject/course numbers above are for GVSU courses. If you will be completing prerequisites outside of GVSU be sure to use the course equivalency database and/or consult with a GVSU advisor to verify equivalencies. Go to [www.gvsu.edu/pas](http://www.gvsu.edu/pas) for more information.

\* Courses must be less than 5 years old at time of application (anatomy/physiology, microbiology, biochemistry)  
 ^ Courses must be completed prior to submission of the application. (anatomy/physiology, microbiology, org chem, bio chem)  
 If an applicant is taking a two-semester sequence of Organic Chemistry, Biological Chemistry or Microbiology, the first semester must be completed at the time of application.

Applicants who feel they have extenuating and exceptional circumstances regarding completion of the required coursework OR the 5-year rule may complete an Academic Request Form (ARF) which is available on the program website at [www.gvsu.edu/pas](http://www.gvsu.edu/pas) and submitted **no later than July 15 prior to the September 1st application deadline**. The deadline for all other application documents, materials, and requirements is non-negotiable.

Popular electives: BMS 410 Immunology & PSY 364 Life Span Development

# Admission/Application Information

## Physician Assistant Studies (M.P.A.S.)

### CASPA Admissions Process

CASPA applications must be **COMPLETE by September 1<sup>st</sup>**. An application is considered complete after the online application is completed and all supporting documents have been received by CASPA. Applicants should visit the PAS website at [www.gvsu.edu/pas](http://www.gvsu.edu/pas) for more detailed admission/application information.

### University Requirements

1. Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education (must be completed by the month of May prior to program matriculation).
2. GVSU supplemental application form.

### Program Requirements

1. **CASPA Application.** <https://caspa.liaisoncas.com/>
  - Refer to [Admission Related FAQ](#) for details on how to ensure your application is “**Complete**” by the **September 1<sup>st</sup>** application deadline.
2. **CASPer Test.** (<https://takecasper.com>)
  - CASPer is an online situational judgment test designed to assess non-academic attributes in applicants.
3. **Send College Transcripts to CASPA**
4. **GPA.** Applicants must **maintain an average GPA of “B” (3.0) or higher in EACH of the following categories:**
  - Overall GPA (based on CASPA calculations)
  - Last 60 hours of coursework (based on GVSU calculations)
  - Program Prerequisite Courses (based on GVSU calculations); The GPA will use the highest grade earned; If a two-semester course sequence is used, the higher of the two grades will be used to calculate the prerequisite GPA.
5. **Prerequisite Coursework.**
  - Applicants must **attain a minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in each of GVSU’s PAS program prerequisites.**
  - The following courses **MUST** be completed prior to the application deadline: Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Microbiology, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry
  - The following courses must be completed within 5 calendar years of the year of application; Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Microbiology, Biochemistry
  - All PAS program prerequisite coursework and a bachelor’s degree must be completed by the month of May prior to program matriculation.
6. **GRE scores** ([www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org))
  - GRE test scores are valid for five years after the **testing**
  - If there is more than one GRE score, the highest test composite score will be used for admission decisions.
7. **Minimum of two (2) Recommendation Rubrics**
  - Recommendation rubrics will be emailed by CASPA to references at the time of application submission.
  - Separate letters of recommendation can **NOT** be substituted for a recommendation rubric.
  - One completed by a health care professional; one completed by health care professional or university faculty member.
8. **Healthcare experience.**
  - The applicant must complete a **minimum of 500 hours** of significant volunteer and/or work and/or observational experience in a health care environment by the time of application. **Hands on patient care experience is highly encouraged.**
9. **International Applicants**
  - All students in the PAS program should be able to speak and write fluently in English. Students whose first language is not English must submit one of the following:
    - Official test scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (see website for details)
  - Students completing higher education studies outside of the U.S. must also submit:
    - Original or certified original transcripts
    - Official transcript credential evaluation information (e.g. WES, ECE)
    - Transcripts demonstrating 30 hours of higher education coursework taken at an established and accredited U.S. Institution.