

MINNESOTA PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (Updated as of 7/26/2023)

Prerequisite Courses	Augsburg University*	Bethel University	St. Catherine University	The College of St. Scholastica
Statistics	X	X	X	X
Human Anatomy		X	X	X
Human Physiology	X	X	X	X
Microbiology with lab	X	X*	X	X
Precalculus			X	
Psychology	X	X	X	
Lifespan Development			X	X
Medical Terminology	X		X	X
General Chemistry with lab				
General Chemistry II with lab				
Organic Chemistry		X	X	X
Biochemistry	X	X	X	X
Biology with lab				
Biology II with lab				
Other Biology				
Upper-Level Biology, Chemistry, or Physics				
Genetics		X		
English				
Humanities				
Additional Requirements				
Bachelor Degree	X	X	X	X
Healthcare Experience	X	500 hours	2,000 hours required	750 hours strongly encouraged
Entrance Exam				X (GRE)
Letters of Recommendations	3			3
GPA Requirement		3.25 minimum overall and science		

KEY: [X] required, [+] recommended

* Labs are strongly recommended but not required. Augsburg PA program does NOT accept advanced placement (AP) in place of required prerequisites.

Note: Please visit individual program websites for current and comprehensive requirements information. Information updated 3/11/2021.

Program	Location	Accreditation Status	CASPA Due Date	Supplemental Application	Start Date	Program Length	Tuition (Total)
Augsburg	Minneapolis	Continued status (Next review June 2029)	August 1st	Yes - on program website	May	27 months, including summers	\$102,814
Bethel	Arden Hills	Continued status (Next review Sep. 2026)	August 1st (non-rolling admission)	Yes - in CASPA	June	27 months, including summers	\$100,464
St. Kate's	St. Paul	Continued status (Next review Sept. 2025)	August 1st	Yes - in CASPA	August	28 months, including summers	\$103,712
St. Scholastica	Duluth	Continued status (Next review Sep. 2031)	August 1st	Personal statement and 3 program-specific essay questions (On CASPA)	September	28 months, including summers	\$97,236 (2022-2023 rate)

The Mayo 3+2 Physician Assistant Program is unique because applications are geared toward high school seniors (who are attending Saint Mary's University of Minnesota or the University of Minnesota Rochester) who are interested in an accelerated track to the PA profession. These students attend their respective undergraduate college for the first three years of the traditional four years of college. In the fourth year of undergrad, students transition to their first year of didactic year at Mayo in Rochester. Once done with three years of undergrad and two years of PA school, students will graduate with a Bachelor's degree from their respective college, as well as a Master's degree in PA studies from Mayo Clinic. Applications are due typically around the end of June each year, with interviews starting near the end of September of the same year. After interviews, around 25 interviewees are offered spots in the cohort for that year. Those outside of Saint Mary's and the University of Minnesota Rochester will have the opportunity to apply to the program if there are less than 25 students (combination of Saint Mary's and the University of Minnesota Rochester) per class. These applications take place the year before the cohort would enter their didactic year at Mayo Clinic in the PA Program.

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