PAs are medical professionals who work with physicians as part of a team. They conduct physical examinations, diagnose and treat illness, order and interpret lab tests, perform medical procedures, assist in surgery, provide patient education and counseling, and make rounds on patients in hospitals and nursing homes. All 50 states and the District of Columbia allow PAs to practice medicine and prescribe medications. PAs work side-by-side with physician team members in all medical specialties.

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Bryant University has an over 150 year tradition of creating innovative academic programs that anticipate the future. Bryant’s 27 month, 126 semester hour course of study leads to a Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies degree. Graduates will deliver exceptional healthcare in a complex, rapidly evolving healthcare system.

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The mission of the Bryant University PA Program is to improve universal access to healthcare by graduating highly competent and confident physician assistants prepared to provide exceptional quality, patient centered, ethical healthcare in a collaborative environment.
**Why become a PA Student at Bryant University?**

1. **State-of-Art Facilities:** The PA Program has a brand new dedicated PA facility with ample high tech classrooms, dedicated study space, a fully equipped physical examination lab, and an unmatched medical simulation center.

2. **World Class Faculty:** Faculty from the Warren Alpert Medical School, local hospitals and medical practices.

3. **Gross Anatomy:** Full cadaver dissection lab completed at the amazing Warren Alpert Medical School taught by faculty from Brown University.

4. **12 Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences:** 15 months of clinical rotations allows for unique experiences not typical of most PA Programs.

5. **Clinical Correlations:** A class dedicated to applying concepts learned in didactic classes supervised by currently practicing providers.

6. **Study side-by-side with students with extensive clinical experience:** Enrolled students have an average of over 5000 hours of experience.

7. **International Rotations:** Students have an opportunity to participate in rotations in American Samoa and complete a Global Health curriculum.

8. **Principles of Practice Management and Leadership:** A full class dedicated to preparing graduates to understand the complexities of medical practice.

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Applications are completed through CASPA (Central Application Service for PAs)

Supplemental Application

A BS from an accredited institution

Minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0

GRE within 5 years of application

TOEFL within 2 years for international applicants

A minimum of 2000 hours of direct patient care

Completion of the following courses with a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 and a "C" or better in each class:

- Biology with lab: 8 Semester Hours
- Chemistry with lab: 8 Semester Hours
- Human Anatomy and Physiology: 8 Semester Hours
- Microbiology: 3 Semester Hours
- Organic Chemistry 4 Semester Hours or Biochemistry 3 Semester Hours
- Psychology: 3 Semester Hours
- Statistics: 3 Semester Hours

**IDEAL CANDIDATES:**

The Bryant PA Program developed its mission and goals to reflect our commitment to help decrease health care disparities and increase health care access to currently underserved populations. Our strategy to accomplish this goal is to support the admission and enrollment of future clinicians who have demonstrated a similar commitment to these philosophies.

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**CURRICULUM**

**Didactic (4 12 week terms)**

**Term 1:** Physiology and Pathophysiology, Pharmacology, Human Gross Anatomy, Clinical Laboratory, Research Methods, Genetics

**Term 2:** Clinical Medicine One, Clinical Medicine Two, History and Physical Examination, Electrocardiography, Behavioral Medicine, Public Health and Dental Medicine, Clinical Correlations One

**Term 3:** Clinical Medicine Three, Clinical Medicine Four, Pediatrics, Orthopedics, Diagnostic Testing and Imaging, Clinical Skills, Clinical Correlations Two

**Term 4:** Clinical Medicine Five, Clinical Medicine Six, Emergency Medicine, Surgery, PA Professional Issues, Medical Ethics and Law, Clinical Correlations Three

**Clinical (12 5 week clinical rotations)**

- Inpatient Internal Medicine
- Outpatient Internal Medicine
- Family Medicine
- General Surgery
- Pediatrics
- Women's Health
- Psychiatry
- Emergency Medicine
- Orthopedics
- Dermatology
- Elective
- Mini (ENT, Ophthalmology, Radiology)