Program Curriculum

ECPI University Physician Assistant Program Curriculum

The Physician Assistant program curriculum totals **121 credit hours**. It is divided into the **Didactic phase** and the **Clinical phase**.

Didactic Year

The didactic phase consists of **70 credit hours**.

Semester 1

Term 1

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA500	Clinical Gross Anatomy I	4	In-Seat Lecture and Activities/Lab
MPA505	Physiology & Pathophysiology I	3	In-Seat Lecture and Activities/Lab

Term 2

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA510	Critical Thinking I	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA520	Clinical Gross Anatomy II	4	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA525	Physiology & Pathophysiology II	3	In-Seat Lecture/Lab

Term 3

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA530	Laboratory Medicine	2	In-Seat Lecture
MPA540	Clinical Medicine I	3	In-Seat Lecture

MPA545	Pharmacology I	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA550	History & Physical Exam I	2	In-seat Lecture/Lab

Semester 1 Total Credit Hours: 23

Semester 2

Term 4

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA560	Clinical Medicine II	3	In-Seat Lecture
MPA565	Pharmacology II	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA570	History and Physical Exam II	2	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA575	Diagnostic Medicine I	1	In-Seat Lecture

Term 5

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA580	Clinical Medicine III	3	In-Seat Lecture
MPA585	Pharmacology III	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA590	History and Physical Exam III	2	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA595	Diagnostic Medicine II	1	In-Seat Lecture

Term 6

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA600	Clinical Medicine IV	3	In-Seat Lecture

MPA605	Pharmacology IV	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA610	History and Physical Exam IV	2	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA615	Diagnostic Medicine III	1	In-Seat Lecture

Semester 2 Total Credit Hours: 21

Semester 3

Term 7

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA617	Clinical Skills I	2	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA620	Clinical Medicine V	2	In-Seat Lecture
MPA625	Pharmacology V	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA635	Population Health and Epidemiology	2	In-Seat Lecture

Term 8

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA627	Clinical Skills II	2	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA630	Critical Thinking II	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA640	Clinical Medicine VI	2	In-Seat Lecture
MPA645	Pharmacology VI	1	In-Seat Lecture

Term 9

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA650	Critical Thinking III	1	In-Seat Lecture
MPA655	Fundamentals of Surgery & Emergency Medicine	2	In-Seat Lecture
MPA670	Ethics and Professional Practice Issues	2	In-Seat Lecture
MPA675	Interprofessional Case Seminar	3	In-Seat Lecture/Lab

Semester 3 Total Credit Hours: 21

Semester 4 (Pre-Clinical Completion)

Term 10

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA660	Research/Evidence Based Medicine	2	In-Seat Lecture
MPA665	Clinical Preparation	3	In-Seat Lecture/Lab

Didactic Phase Total: 70 Credit Hours

Clinical Year

The Clinical phase provides immersive experience across major medical specialties, totaling **51 credit hours**. The Supervised Clinical Practice Experience (**SCPE**) courses will occur at different times of the clinical year for each student.

Semester 4

Term 11

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA700	Clinical Seminar I	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA705	Family Medicine	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Term 12

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA710	Clinical Seminar II	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA715	Internal Medicine	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Semester 4 Total Credit Hours: 15

Semester 5

Term 13

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA720	Clinical Seminar III	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA725	Adult Specialty Medicine	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Term 14

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA730	Clinical Seminar IV	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab

MPA735	Emergency Medicine	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Term 15

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA740	Clinical Seminar V	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA745	Surgery	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Semester 5 Total Credit Hours: 15

Semester 6

Term 16

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA750	Clinical Seminar VI	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA755	Women's Health	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Term 17

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA760	Clinical Seminar VII	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab

MPA765	Behavioral Medicine	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Term 18

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA770	Clinical Seminar VIII	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA775	Pediatrics	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Semester 6 Total Credit Hours: 15

Semester 7

Term 19

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours	Delivery Method
MPA780	Clinical Seminar IX	1	In-Seat Lecture/Lab
MPA785	Elective	4	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience
MPA790	Graduate Seminar	3	In-Seat Lecture

MPA795	Preceptorship	3	Supervised Clinical Practice Experience

Semester 7 Total Credit Hours: 11

Clinical Total: 51 Credit Hours

Curriculum Total: 121 Credit Hours