

Mapping the Pre-Physician Assistant Journey

Example: Michael is a freshman BA Biology major interested in applying to all PA programs in Texas.

He has entered UNT with no dual or AP credit, and he is proficient in College Algebra.

Below is a map of all required prerequisites and degree requirements, when to take the GRE, when to gain professional development, and when to apply to PA schools. **Each student's journey is different, and this map should only be used to illustrate an example.**

Note: the timeline for professional experience will differ for each student, and should not be used to prioritize above grades.

Please see our Academic Counselors to create your individual map.

FALL 2018	Hrs.
BIOL 1710/1760 General Biology I with lab	5
CHEM 1410/1430 General Chemistry I with lab	4
MATH 1680 Elementary Statistics	3
ENGL 1310 College Writing I	3
<i>Clubs, Volunteering</i>	

SPRING 2019	Hrs.
BIOL 1720 General Biology II	3
CHEM 1420/1440 General Chemistry II with lab	4
TECM 2700 Technical Writing	3
MATH 1100 College Algebra** (elective)	3
<i>Clubs, Volunteering</i>	

SUMMER I	Hrs.
<i>Volunteering, Clinical Experience, PA Shadowing</i>	

SUMMER II	Hrs.
<i>Volunteering, Clinical Experience, PA Shadowing</i>	

FALL 2019	Hrs.
BIOL 2301/2311 Anatomy & Physiology I with lab	4
CHEM 2370/3210 Organic Chemistry I with lab	4
PSYC 1630 Gen. Psychology (S/B Science Core)	3
Creative Arts Core Requirement	3
<i>Clubs, Volunteering, PA Shadowing, Clinical Exp.</i>	

SPRING 2020	Hrs.
BIOL 2302/2312 Anatomy & Physiology II with lab	4
CHEM 2380/3220 Organic Chemistry II with lab	4
PSYC 3000/4000 level (PSYC 3620)	3
Lang., Phil., Culture Core; Literature Recommended	3
<i>Clubs, Volunteering, PA Shadowing, Clinical Exp.</i>	

SUMMER I	Hrs.
PHYS 1410/1430 General Physics I	4

SUMMER II	Hrs.
PHYS 1420/1440 General Physics II	4

FALL 2020 <i>Clubs, Leadership, Clinical Experience</i>	Hrs.
BIOC 3621/3622 Elem. Biochemistry with lab	4
BIOL 2041/2042 Microbiology with lab	4
HIST 2610 US History before 1865	3
BIOL 3500 Med. Terminology (adv. Elective)	2
STUDY FOR THE GRE	

SPRING 2021 <i>Clubs, Leadership, Clinical Experience</i>	Hrs.
BIOL 3451/3452 Genetics with lab	4
BIOL 4201 Immunology	3
HIST 2620 US History after 1865	3
SOCI 1510 Intro to Sociology (Hardin-Simmons)	3
STUDY FOR THE GRE	

Fall Timeline

Attend "What Should I Be Doing Now?" Seminar
Attend personal essay workshops

Spring Timeline

Attend Interview Workshop
Begin writing personal statement
Start requesting Letters of Recommendation by May
CASPA opens in late April
Take GRE between March and June

SUMMER 2021: Apply to PA schools using CASPA (apply by June)

FALL 2021 <i>Clubs, Leadership, Clinical Experience</i>	Hrs.
Advance BIOL Physiology Course with lab	4
BIOL 3510/3520 Cell Biology with lab	4
PSCI 2305 US Government: Behavior & Policy	3
Advanced Elective outside College of Science	3

SPRING 2022 <i>Clubs, Leadership, Clinical Experience</i>	Hrs.
HDFS 1013 Human Development***	3
Advanced Elective outside College of Science	3
PSCI 2306 US Government: US/TX Constitutions	3
Advanced Biology with lab	4
General Elective (any level)	3

Fall Timeline

PA School Interviews
Admission Offers Begin

Spring Timeline

Interviews and Decision Offers Continue

GRADUATION

SUMMER to FALL 2022—PA SCHOOL BEGINS

**Some PA Schools require one additional math (College Algebra or Higher)

***Recommended for UNT Health Sciences Center

Note: Prerequisites for ALL Texas PA programs are listed in **RED**. Not all courses are required for some programs.