

Bachelor of Applied Science, Health Professions

Pre-Physician Assistant Studies

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Graduation Requirements (see the 2024-25 catalog for any additional graduation requirements):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 45 Upper Division Credits Minimum | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Upper Division Writing Intensive Courses | <input type="checkbox"/> 2.0 UHWO GPA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Total Credits Minimum | <input type="checkbox"/> Focus Requirements (OC, HAP, ETH) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2.0 CONCENTRATION GPA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 30 UHWO Credits | | |

**Note: Some courses may be applied more than once to fulfill General Education, Core, or Concentration Requirements. Double counted courses do not reduce the number of credits required for the concentration. Students are still responsible for meeting the minimum number of credits in the concentration and the overall total credits for graduation.*

General Education Requirements: 31 credits (*15 credits see note above)

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | Foundations Written Communications (FW) ENG 100 Composition I |
| 0* | Foundations of Quantitative Reasoning (FQ) MATH 103, 103M/L, 115, 135 or higher |
| 6 | Foundations Global and Multicultural Perspectives (FG): 6 credits from two different groups (A, B, C): *Group A: Primarily before 1500 CE (e.g., HIST 151 or ANTH 151) *Group B: Primarily after 1500 CE (e.g., HIST 152 or ANTH 152) *Group C: Pre-history to present |
| 6 | Diversification Arts, Humanities & Literature (DA, DH, DL): 6 credits from two different areas |
| 0* | Diversification Social Sciences (DS): 6 credits from two different areas. PSY 100 |
| 0* | Diversification Social Sciences (DS): Different area from above. SOC 100 |
| 0* | Diversification Natural Sciences (DB, DP, DY): 3 credits from the biological sciences (DB): BIOL 171 |
| 0* | 3 credits from the physical sciences (DP): CHEM 161 |
| 0* | 1 credit of laboratory (DY): CHEM 161L |

Writing Skills Requirement: 3 credits

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | ENG 200, ENG 209, or ENG 220 with a "C-" or higher |

Lower Division Math Requirement: 3 credits

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | MATH 103, 103M/L, 115, 135 or higher (<i>Will satisfy FQ requirement in General Education Section</i>) |

BAS Core Requirements: 12 credits

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | ICS 101 Intro to Digital Tools for the Information World |
| 3 | BIOL 310 Statistics for Biologists or HLTH 460 Biostatistics Prerequisite: Completion of MATH 135 or consent of instructor |
| 3 | BIOL 365 Research Methods in Biology Prerequisite: Completion of BIOL 171 with a C or better |
| 3 | Select one course from the following: PUBA 477 Ethics and Health Care Administration BIOL 405 Ethics for Biologists |

Health Professions Foundation Requirements: 18 credits

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | HLTH 117 Survey of Health Professions |
| 3 | HLTH 123 Introduction to Clinical Skills & Patient Care |
| 3 | HLTH 204 Introduction to Native Hawaiian & Indigenous Health & Healing |
| 3 | PSY 100 Survey of Psychology (<i>Will satisfy DS requirement in General Education Section</i>) |
| 3 | HLTH 395 Health and Wellness for Life |
| 3 | HLTH 488 Practicum in the Health Professions |

Pre-Physician Assistant Track Requirements: 35 credits

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | SOC 100 Survey of General Sociology (<i>Will satisfy DS requirement in General Education Section</i>) |
| 3 | HLTH 242 Medical Terminology |
| 4 | BIOL 171/ 171L Introduction to Biology I and Lab (<i>Will satisfy DB requirement in General Education Section</i>) Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in either CHEM 151 or 161 |
| 4 | BIOL 172/ 172L Introduction to Biology II and Lab Prerequisite: BIOL 171/171L |
| 4 | CHEM 161/ 161 L General Chemistry I and Lab (<i>Will satisfy DP and DY requirement in General Education Section</i>) Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 100 or concurrent enrollment in ENG 100T and MATH 103 with a C or higher |
| 4 | CHEM 162/ 162 L General Chemistry II and Lab Prerequisite: CHEM 161 with a C or higher |
| 5 | MICR 130/140L General Microbiology and Lab |
| 4 | PHYL 141/ 141L Human Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in ENG 100 |
| 4 | PHYL 142/ 142L Human Anatomy & Physiology II and Lab Prerequisite: Completion of PHYL 141 and 141L |

Pre-Physician Assistant Electives: 18 credits**Select 6 courses from the following:**

Some courses may have pre-requisites. One course must be writing intensive. Courses with an (*) are highly recommended for graduate school. Please speak with a faculty advisor.

ANTH 384/L Human Skeletal Biology & Lab (xlst BIOL)
 ANTH 425 Medical Anthropology
 ANTH 427 Health, Food, & Society
 BIOC 441 Basic Biochemistry
 BIOL 302 The One Health Approach to Infectious Disease
 BIOL 375/L Genetics and Lab
 BIOL 390 Communicating in Biological Sciences
 ECON 334 Economics of Health
 HLTH 353 Structural Kinesiology
 HPST 328 Culture & Environment (xlst GEOG)
 PHYL 354/L Exercise Physiology & Lab
 POLS 308 Science and the Modern Prospect (xlst HIST)

PSY 371* Abnormal Psychology
 PSY 473 * Psychology of Healing (xlst PUBA)
 PUBA 314 * Community Epidemiology & Pop Health
 PUBA 319* Survey of Long-Term Care
 PUBA 334 Intersection of Community & Global Health
 PUBA 338* Cultural Competency in Health Care
 PUBA 354 Program Planning & Evaluation in Health
 PUBA 446 Contemporary Issues in Health Care
 SCFS 340 Food Sovereignty, Nutrition & Human Wellbeing: Reconnecting Food, Nature & Community
 SOC 354 Survey of Medical Sociology
 SOC 355 Death, Dying and Bereavement

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Capstone Requirement: 3 credits

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| 3 | APSC 486P Senior Project (WI) |

Elective Requirements: 13 credits

***See your College Success Advisor to confirm how many Upper Division and lower division Electives needed**

| Credits | Course Alpha / Number / Title |
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| 3 | Upper Division Elective (300-400 level) |
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NOTES: Dr. Rebecca Romine (rromine@hawaii.edu) is the faculty contact for this program.

- Students who choose the pre-Physician Assistant specialization have the opportunity to utilize the practicum course to obtain a portion of the ~1000 clinical hours (with direct patient care) required to apply for Physician Assistant Graduate school.