

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE (M.M.S.)

FORT LAUDERDALE/DAVIE CAMPUS

NSU Florida

At a Glance

- Earn your degree in 144 credit hours.
- Program starts in May.

Program Format

- The program is offered at the NSU Fort Lauderdale/Davie Campus.
- The 27-month program features 15 months of face-to-face didactic training, followed by 12 months of clinical training.

Program Highlights

- The program is accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA).
- The program offers Point of Care Ultrasound (POCUS) training throughout the didactic and clinical years.
- The program provides hands-on, high-fidelity simulation during didactic training.

Department of
Physician Assistant

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The demand for physician assistants (PAs) is soaring, as the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics projects 31 percent growth through 2028, with six-figure average annual earnings. But it's critical to choose the right program that prepares you for a rapidly changing healthcare world.

NSU's M.M.S. in Physician Assistant program prides itself on earning continuous accreditation and providing outstanding student/professor ratios, as well as diverse faculty members who possess terminal or advanced degrees in their professions. Close collaboration throughout the curriculum and careful resource management have resulted in continuously positive results for our students.

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2024–2025 Curriculum | Total Credits: 144

FIRST SEMESTER

Summer I (May–August)

	Credits
ANA 5420 Anatomy	4
PHS 5400 Physiology	4
PAC 5000 Physical Diagnosis I	3
PCO 5300 Biomedical Principles	1
PAC 5001 Introduction to the PA Profession	2
PAC 5400 Clinical Pathophysiology	3
PAC 5020 Fundamentals of Medical Imaging	1

SECOND SEMESTER

Fall (September–December)

MIC 5400 Microbiology	3
PAC 5404 Legal and Ethical Issues in Healthcare	2
PAC 5100 Physical Diagnosis II	3
PCO 5400 Pharmacology I	3
PAC 5110 Clinical Medicine and Surgery I	9
PAC 5130 Clinical Laboratory Medicine I	1
PAC 5229 Electrocardiography	3

THIRD SEMESTER

Winter (January–May)

PAC 5200 Physical Diagnosis III	3
PAC 5210 Clinical Medicine and Surgery II	8
PAC 5310 Clinical Medicine and Surgery III	8
PAC 5131 Clinical Laboratory Medicine II	2
PCO 5410 Pharmacology II	4
PAC 5311 Clinical Behavioral Medicine	3

FOURTH SEMESTER

Summer II (Advanced Didactic; June–July)

	Credits
PAC 5460 Life Support Procedures Skills	2
PAC 5510 Clinical Procedures and Surgical Skills	4
PAC 5129 Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	3
PAC 5010 Clinical Applications	1
PAC 5407 Clinical Pharmacology	3
PAC 5408 Clinical Genetics	2
PAC 5410 Complementary Medicine and Nutrition	2
PAC 5412 Interpretation and Evaluation of Medical Literature	2

CLINICAL CURRICULUM

Second Year (August–August)

PAC 6301 Behavioral Health	3
PAC 6302 Women's Health	3
PAC 6311 Internal Medicine	6
PAC 6313 Surgery	6
PAC 6315 Emergency Medicine	6
PAC 6317 Pediatrics	6
PAC 6318 Family Medicine	6
PAC 6401 Elective I	6
PAC 6402 Elective II	6
PAC 6308 Elective III	4
PAC 6500 Graduate Project	3

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