

PRE-PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Banner Code: 2_CN_PREPA

Control Number: 37902

Financial Aid Eligible

The Pre-Physician Assistant certificate satisfies prerequisite coursework for most graduate-level programs in this field. The 19 unit certificate program offers students the opportunity to complete the required foundational sciences, social science, and statistics coursework. The certificate focuses on providing students who want to apply to a master's degree program certified by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant for the professional credential, Physician Assistant (PA).

Program Level Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Name and identify the basic structures of the human body.
2. Explain the six criteria that are used to define normal versus abnormal behavior.
3. Develop an understanding of statistical modeling through the study of and applications to data sets in the social and behavioral sciences.

Review Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/golden-west/graduation-requirements/certificates/#achievementtext>).

| Course | Title | Units |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| Required Courses | | |
| BIOL G220 | Human Anatomy | 4 |
| BIOL G225 | Human Physiology | 4 |
| BIOL G182 | Zoology | 4 |
| MATH G160 | Introduction To Statistics | 4 |
| PSYC G100 | Introduction To Psychology | 3 |
| Total Units | | 19 |

Recommended Program Sequence

These sequences are general maps for students to finish all requirements for the Certificate. There may be advisories or time requirements that students may want to consider before following these maps. **Students are advised to meet with a GWC Counselor for alternate sequencing.**

Year 1:

| Course | Title | Units |
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| Semester 1 | | |
| BIOL G100 | Introduction to Biology | 4 |
| or BIOL G221 | Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology | |
| PSYC G100 | Introduction To Psychology | 3 |
| Units | | 7 |

| Course | Title | Units |
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| Semester 2 | | |
| BIOL G220 | Human Anatomy | 4 |

| Course | Title | Units |
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| MATH G160 | Introduction To Statistics | 4 |
| Units | | 8 |

Year 2:

| Course | Title | Units |
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| Semester 3 | | |
| BIOL G225 | Human Physiology | 4 |
| Units | | 4 |

| Course | Title | Units |
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| Semester 4 | | |
| BIOL G182 | Zoology | 4 |
| Units | | 4 |