

Prerequisite Course Guidelines for the 2024-2025 Application Cycle

Applicants must earn a C or higher in all required prerequisite coursework. The Admissions Committee reserves the right to request course descriptions for any course which any applicant chooses to use for a prerequisite course requirement. Labs are preferred but not required in the science prerequisite courses.

Course	Minimum Number of Semester Hours Required	Notes
Human Anatomy	3	Applicants may either take Human Anatomy and Physiology as two separate subjects or take a two-semester sequence of Anatomy & Physiology I and Anatomy & Physiology II.
Physiology	3	
Microbiology	3	
Biochemistry	3	Introductory-level biochemistry courses will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. We will not accept Organic Chemistry in lieu of Biochemistry.
Additional Upper-Level Biology	6	Recommendations include: genetics, cell biology, molecular biology, embryology, histology, and/or immunology. Courses that are 200-level or higher are preferred. Courses should not be introductory-level.
English Composition	3	We will accept other courses that have a writing intensive component. AP credit is acceptable.
General Psychology	3	We will not accept upper-level psychology courses in lieu of general and/or introductory psychology, unless the applicant had an undergraduate psychology major. AP credit is acceptable.
Statistics	3	Preferred: applied statistics or biostatistics from a psychology, biology, or math department. AP credit is acceptable.

Please contact the program if you are unable to determine if your coursework meets these requirements: 732-235-4445. More information about admissions requirements is available on the program website: <https://shp.rutgers.edu/physician-assistant/master-of-science-physicianassistant-program/>.