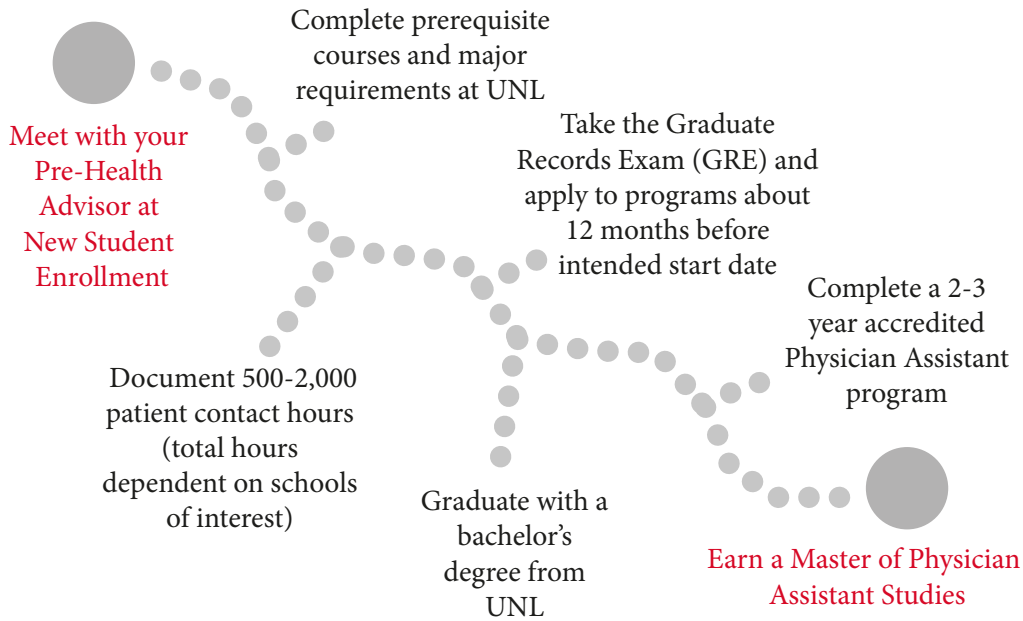


N Explore Center Pre-Physician Assistant

WHAT IS PRE-PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT?

A physician assistant (PA) practices medicine in consultation with a physician. A PA provides a broad range of healthcare services and often spends time counseling patients on ways to stay healthy. PAs perform physical exams, diagnose illnesses, develop and carry out treatment plans, order and interpret diagnostic tests, suture wounds, assist in surgery, provide preventive health counseling, and write prescriptions. Pre-Physician Assistant students work one to one with an advisor to reach their goals, and they can choose any major to pair with their focus.

HOW TO GET THERE



OUR STUDENTS

"From your first days on campus to your last, the Explore Center is here to help you through your Pre-Health journey. From career advising meetings to application preparation for professional health school, the Explore Center advisors will be there to help along the way."
- Brandon, '21



UNL graduates more healthcare professionals than any other school in Nebraska

UNL students were admitted to physician assistant programs at a rate

11% higher
than the national average in 2020



The Nebraska Difference

GET PAID TO DO RESEARCH AS AN UNDERGRAD

Encourage and inspire freshmen by being a Pre-Health Peer Mentor

HUMANITIES IN MEDICINE MINOR

Live and learn with Pre-Health peers in a learning community

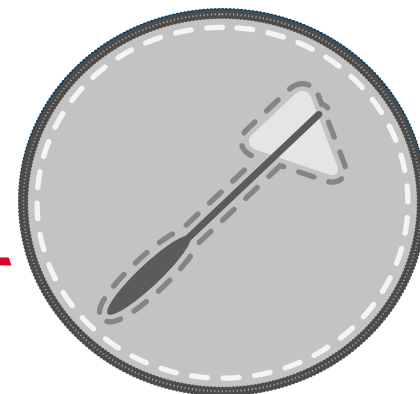
MEET ONE TO ONE WITH PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL VISITORS

Share your Pre-Health story as an Explore Center Ambassador

INTRO TO HEALTH PROFESSIONS COURSE

Become an undergraduate teaching assistant or tutor for important Pre-Health science courses

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SUGGESTED COURSES

Required Course Work*	MIN. #
Biological Sciences with Lab	1-2
Human Anatomy with Lab	1
Human Physiology with Lab	1
Microbiology with Lab	1
General Chemistry with Lab	2
Organic Chemistry with Lab	1-2
Biochemistry	1
English Composition	2
Psychology	1
Abnormal Psychology	1
Life Span/Developmental Psychology	1
Statistics	1
Medical Terminology	1

Recommended Course Work	MIN. #
Emergency Healthcare or CPR Certification	1
Advanced Human Anatomy and Physiology	1
General Genetics	1
Immunology	1
Molecular Biology	1
Pathophysiology	1
Math 101 (or higher)	1

* These requirements are based on those for University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), Creighton University and Union College. You are encouraged to work with an advisor to determine requirements at other institutions.

Note: UNMC's and Creighton University's Physician Assistant programs do not accept AP/IB credit; Union College may accept some AP/IB courses. Generally, students are advised to study coursework above and beyond the minimum requirements for PA school.

Required Math & Science Courses Only			
FIRST	Biological Sciences I w/lab	SECOND	General Chemistry I w/lab
	Math (per placement)		Biological Sciences II w/lab
THIRD	General Chemistry II w/lab	FOURTH	Organic Chemistry I w/lab
			Human Physiology w/lab
FIFTH	Organic Chemistry II w/lab	SIXTH	Biochemistry w/lab
	Microbiology w/lab		Human Anatomy w/lab
SEVENTH	Recommended Courses	EIGHTH	Recommended Courses
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Professional School Requirements:

- **Undergraduate Credit:**
Bachelor's degree
- **Entrance Exam:**
Graduate Records Examination (GRE)
- **Professional Schooling:**
28-33 months of professional school for a Master of Physician Assistant Studies (PA)
- **Local Professional Schools:**
University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) - Omaha; Union College - Lincoln; Creighton University - Omaha; College of St. Mary - Omaha

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