THE FOLLOWING LINKS MAY BE USEFUL IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE PA PROFESSION:

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
WWW.AAPA.ORG

VIRGINIA ACADEMY OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
WWW.VAPA.ORG

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
WWW.PAEAOONLINE.ORG

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Physician Assistants are healthcare professionals licensed to practice medicine with physician supervision. PAs conduct physical exams, provide preventative care, diagnose and treat illnesses, assist in surgery and can write prescriptions in all states and territories.

PAs play an increasingly important role in the American healthcare system. The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the number of PA jobs will increase by 30% between 2014 and 2024, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Established in 1998, Eastern Virginia Medical School’s Master of Physician Assistant (MPA) Program prepares PAs to provide quality healthcare to diverse patient populations in various clinical settings, from primary care centers to specialized clinics and acute care hospitals.

Our dedicated faculty and professional curriculum foster the personal and professional development of our students, helping our graduates build exciting careers as leaders in clinical, academic, administrative and research environments.

ARC-PA ACCREDITATION STATUS

The Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) has granted Accreditation-Continued status to the Physician Assistant Program sponsored by Eastern Virginia Medical School. Accreditation-Continued is an accreditation status granted when a currently accredited program is in compliance with the ARC-PA Standards. Accreditation remains in effect until the program closes or withdraws from the accreditation process or until accreditation is withdrawn for failure to comply with the Standards. The approximate date for the next validation review of the program by the ARC-PA will be March 2026. The review date is contingent upon continued compliance with the Accreditation Standards and ARC-PA policy.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Our program is divided into two phases, spanning 28 consecutive months over seven semesters:

PHASE I (16 months/68.5 credits hours) is the didactic phase. Students work in classroom and laboratory settings to gain the necessary medical, scientific and health knowledge. They also develop their clinical skills through Eastern Virginia Medical School’s nationally renowned Sentara Center for Simulation and Immersive Learning, which uses standardized patients in a controlled environment to teach clinical history taking and physical exam skills.

PHASE II (12 months/35 credit hours) is the clinical phase. Students gain hands-on experience in clinical field experiences with supervised direct patient care in various medical and surgical disciplines, developing a greater knowledge of the role and functions of a physician assistant. Each student will complete 9 five-week clinical rotations in a variety of clinical areas.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Qualifying GPA (3.0 or better). We will use the better of the following three:
  - Actual undergraduate GPA
  - Completed graduate GPA
  - “Replacement GPA” (computed from the most recent 40 hours of coursework)
- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Bachelor’s Degree (completed by July 1st)
- Foreign degrees may be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Prerequisite Coursework (completed by March 1st)
- Completed CASPA Application
- Completed CASPer Test
- TOEFL score reported (for applicants who entered the U.S. after the age of 12)
- Understanding of and compliance with the Technical Standards for the PA Program

TO APPLY

Application to the MPA Program is accomplished through the Centralized Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA). Please visit our website for full instructions www.evms.edu/pa as well as CASPA online at https://portal.caspaonline.org.

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See the MPA Program Admissions Guidebook that is posted online at www.evms.edu/pa for complete information on applying to the program.