

HENRY E. RIGGS SCHOOL OF APPLIED LIFE SCIENCES

Postbaccalaureate Pre-PA Certificate

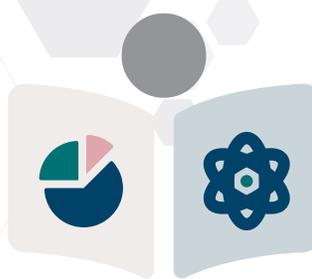
PPA

The **PPA program** is designed specifically for those looking to enhance their academic credentials to gain a competitive edge for admission into Physician Assistant programs. Students also have the opportunity to complete a master's degree during the glide year when applying to PA programs.



CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Students in the PPA program can earn up clinical hours in the fall, spring, and summer terms



CURRICULUM

KGI's curriculum consists of graduate-level courses within the applied life sciences, which combines courses in science and business



ADVISING SUPPORT

Highly individualized support is available to all students to help navigate the PA school admissions process

About the Program

The PPA program is highly customizable to meet the needs of each student. KGI's curriculum consists of graduate-level courses within the applied life sciences, which includes courses in science and business. There are additional upper-level undergraduate courses offered over the summer that are often required or highly recommended by many PA programs. Options include: human anatomy with lab, human physiology with lab, microbiology with lab, and biochemistry. Students are able to take the coursework they need along with the clinical and volunteer hours necessary to become competitive for admission to PA programs.



Co-curricular Learning Experiences

The following is a list of some of the activities and opportunities available to PPA students:

- Field trips to local and regional PA programs
- Meet with professionals from various medical specialties
- Simulated individual interviews, group interviews, and multi-mini interviews (MMI)
- Guest speakers from various PA programs
- GRE prep course
- Networking opportunities with KGI alumni
- Research opportunities
- Clinical and shadowing opportunities
- Various community service and student club activities
- Gain up to 1,000 patient and clinical-care hours

PPA Alumni Spotlight



KGI alumna Amanda Stephanie Rodriguez completed the PPA program in May of 2020.

After completing the PPA program, she continued to meet with KGI students to offer support and encouragement.

"It's been really nice to give back from my perspective because when I was in their position, I felt scared about the next step," Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez is attending the Physician Assistant Program at George Washington University School of Medicine on a merit-based scholarship.

How to Apply

Dates and Deadlines

Start Term: Fall

Application Deadline: December 15 (priority), rolling admissions thereafter

Application Requirements

An online application form is required that contains questions about your personal and educational background. Additional requirements can be submitted along with your online application or separately:

- Personal Statement
- Resume
- Letter of Recommendation
- Transcripts
- Standardized Test Scores (GRE or MCAT)
- English Language Proficiency (PTE, IELTS, iTEP)
- \$75 non-refundable application fee

Admission Interviews: A phone, Skype, or on-campus interview is a requirement for admission. The Office of Admissions schedules individual interviews after an application is complete.

Application Review: The Admissions Committee is made up of faculty and senior administrators who will thoroughly and conscientiously review each application.

Admitted Students: Admitted students are required to submit a \$400 non-refundable enrollment fee to hold their spot in the program.

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