

## **COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

## **MASTER'S DEGREE - PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES**

## **Application and Interview Process (Accreditation Standards A3.13 and A3.14):**

Indiana State University is a participant in CASPA (Centralized Application Service for PAs). To apply to our program, you must complete a CASPA application. The CASPA application cycle runs from April to November 1st.

Priority in application review and invitation for interview will be given to those applicants who have completed their CASPA. Admission to the ISU PA program is competitive. Each year, the program receives approximately 350 verified applications. The number of applicants interviewed varies each year, and thirty students are admitted in January.

Interviews are typically conducted in person. However, unexpected circumstances may result in online interviews as needed. An interview day consists of a 20–30-minute interview with members of the PA Admissions Committee, along with tours of the ISU campus and other facilities that will be used by PA students.

Applicant scoring is based on a rubric scale that includes cumulative undergraduate GPA, cumulative undergraduate science GPA, military experience, being an ISU graduate, Indiana residency, interest in rural health, letters of reference, community service experience, leadership experience, and clarity of goals in relation to the PA profession. An interview tool of approximately nine questions is also evaluated and included in the final admission decision.

Each application is evaluated on its own merits. ISU is committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse and well-rounded group of students who represent all facets of society.