



COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MASTER'S DEGREE - PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES

Application and Interview Process (Accreditation Standards A3.12 and A3.13):

Indiana State University participates in the Centralized Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA). Applicants must submit a completed CASPA application to be considered for admission. The CASPA application cycle opens in April and closes on November 1.

The Indiana State University Physician Assistant Program utilizes a rolling admissions process. Applications are reviewed as they become verified, and qualified applicants may be invited to interview throughout the admissions cycle. Admission to the program is competitive, with a cohort of 30 students matriculating each January.

Applications are evaluated using a holistic review process that evaluates multiple factors, including academic achievement, healthcare experience, community service, letters of recommendation, military service, Indiana residency, interest in rural/underserved healthcare, Indiana State University alumni status, and alignment with the mission and values of the program.

Each application is reviewed individually on its own merits. Indiana State University is committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse and well-rounded student body and seeks applicants whose experiences, backgrounds, and perspectives will contribute to the educational environment and the physician assistant profession.

Interviews are typically conducted in person; however, virtual interviews may be utilized when circumstances warrant. Interview day generally includes interactions with members of the Admissions Committee, opportunities to learn more about the program, and tours of campus and facilities used by PA students.

Applicants will also complete an interview assessment consisting of multiple questions. Performance on this assessment is considered part of the final admissions decision.

Following the interview process, applicants will be notified of their admissions decision, typically within two weeks after interviews are completed. Admissions decisions fall into one of the following categories:

- Offer of Admission
- Alternate List (Waitlist)
- Denial of Admission

Due to the volume of applications received, the Admissions Committee is unable to provide individualized feedback regarding application materials, admissions decisions, or interview performance.