

**Oregon State University  
College of Public Health and Human Sciences**

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PRE-REQ GUIDE**

It is important to understand that prerequisites to PA programs, which are typically at a master's level, vary widely. Although this is a list of common prerequisites, it is **not** complete. It is imperative that you research the schools you are interested in so that you take required courses for your program of choice.

General Biology	BI 221, 222, 223 (or equivalent)
Anatomy & Physiology	BI 231-233 + 241-243
Biochemistry	BI/BB 450 & 451
Genetics	BI 311
General Chemistry	CH 231-233 + CH 261-263
Organic Chemistry	CH 331, 332 (CH 337 varies by school)
Microbiology	MB 302 & 303
Psychology	PSY 350 & PSY 381
Statistics	ST 201 or 351 (351 preferred)
Writing	WR 121, plus second course

**Recommended courses**

Cell biology	BI 314
Medical Terminology	PHAR 210
Immunology	MB 416

**The average GPA varies widely, but the typical matriculant GPA range is 3.4–3.6.**