The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPA) will prepare students to become integral members of the healthcare team and practice in a number of clinical and administrative roles. Graduates from the innovative program will enter the workforce with a better understanding of personalized medicine and emerging technologies so they are fully prepared to advance healthcare through leadership and compassionate care. The program is anticipated to start in fall 2022 and be 27 months in length.

**About the Program**

**Innovative Learning**

The MSPA program will redefine traditional physician assistant (PA) education through the use of innovative teaching methods. Students will benefit from an active learning classroom model that emphasizes student engagement, critical thinking skills, and teamwork. Unlike the traditional approach, KGI students will also have access to early clinical experiences during the didactic phase. These early real patient interactions will strengthen interpersonal, technical, and clinical reasoning skills far before starting clinical rotations.

**Community Roots: Providing Compassionate Care to Diverse Populations**

Through countless volunteering opportunities, KGI MSPA students will be heavily involved in the care and education of the local community. These opportunities will provide students with a true understanding of the community’s healthcare needs. As a result of these crucial experiences, graduates will be prepared to provide compassionate care to patients of diverse ethnicity/race, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, age, and socioeconomic status. These experiences will also allow our graduates to recognize health disparities and work towards achieving health equity.

**Leadership and Entrepreneurship**

The healthcare landscape is rapidly changing, and you can be a key part of this change. KGI MSPA students will receive didactic instruction in leadership and entrepreneurship in order to prepare them to take on leadership roles, be involved in advocacy, solve real-world problems through innovation, and create their own career path.
Where can your MSPA degree take you?

The demand for PAs continues to grow and is expected to increase 31% by 2028. KGI MSPA program graduates will be qualified to serve in a wide range of exciting roles:

• Physician Assistant in a variety of fields including primary care, surgical specialties, and emergency medicine
• Healthcare Administrator
• Educator
• Clinical Researcher

Admissions Details

Dates and Deadlines
• Start Term: Fall 2022
• Application Opens: April 29, 2021
• Application Deadline: December 1, 2021

Admissions Requirements

The MSPA program accepts all applications via CASPA. Requirements for admission include:

• Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution
• Seven prerequisites (see below)
• Minimum cumulative and science GPA of 3.0
• Minimum of 1,000 hours of direct patient care experience
• Personal statement and supplemental application
• Letters of reference

A GRE score is not required for admission. Visit kgi.edu/mspa for full details.

Prerequisites

The following courses are required for admission:

• Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab (2 courses)
• Microbiology
• Additional Upper Level Biology or Health Science
• Chemistry with Lab
• Additional Chemistry
• Statistics

Visit kgi.edu/mspa for credit hour requirements.

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Accreditation Status

The KGI School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences has applied for Accreditation – Provisional from the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA). The School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences anticipates matriculating its first class in August 2022, pending achieving Accreditation – Provisional status at the March 2022 ARC-PA meeting.

Accreditation – Provisional is an accreditation status granted when the plans and resource allocation, if fully implemented as planned, of a proposed program that has not yet enrolled students appear to demonstrate the program’s ability to meet the ARC-PA Standards or when a program holding accreditation-provisional status appears to demonstrate continued progress in complying with the Standards as it prepares for the graduation of the first class (cohort) of students. In the event the program does not earn provisional-accreditation, students will not matriculate and admission deposits will be refunded. The KGI Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPA) Program is also pending approval from WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC).