



## Physician Assistant Course Descriptions

### PHA-511 CLINICAL MEDICINE I (7 Credits)

PHA-511 Clinical Medicine I, 7 credits PHA-511 is the first in the series of Clinical Medicine courses. The Clinical Medicine series of 4 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of all of the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, which is a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter as well as the breakdown of clinical tasks that are expected of entry level PA graduates and evaluated on the PA National Certification Exam (PANCE). Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of diseases and disorders of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Ophthalmology/Otorhinolaryngology; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. Task areas that will be addressed in the Clinical Medicine series (as well as in other courses) include: History taking and performing physical examination; Using diagnostic and laboratory studies; Formulating most likely diagnosis; Managing patients; Health Maintenance, Patient Education, and Preventive measures; Clinical intervention; Pharmaceutical therapeutics; Applying basic scientific concepts, and Professional practice. Problem Based Learning will be utilized in the Clinical Medicine courses. Planned topics for PHA 511 include: dermatology, ophthalmology/otorhinolaryngology, pulmonology, infectious disease, and endocrinology. Prerequisite: Admission to PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### PHA-512 CLINICAL MEDICINE II (5 Credits)

PHA-512 Clinical Medicine II, 5 credits PHA-512 is the second in the series of Clinical Medicine courses. The Clinical Medicine series of 4 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of all of the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, which is a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter as well as the breakdown of clinical tasks that are expected of entry level PA graduates and evaluated on the PA National Certification Exam (PANCE). Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of diseases and disorders of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Ophthalmology/Otorhinolaryngology; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. Task areas that will be addressed in the Clinical Medicine series (as well as in other courses) include: History taking and performing physical examination; Using diagnostic and laboratory studies; Formulating most likely diagnosis; Managing patients; Health Maintenance, Patient Education, and Preventive measures; Clinical intervention; Pharmaceutical therapeutics; Applying basic scientific concepts, and Professional practice. Problem Based Learning will be utilized in the Clinical Medicine courses. Planned topics for PHA 512 include: GU/Renal, Women's health, Cardiology, and GI. Prerequisite: PHA 511, successful completion of spring semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA-511 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-513 CLINICAL MEDICINE III (7 Credits)**

PHA-513 Clinical Medicine III, 7 credits PHA-513 is the third in the series of Clinical Medicine courses. The Clinical Medicine series of 4 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of all of the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, which is a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter as well as the breakdown of clinical tasks that are expected of entry level PA graduates and evaluated on the PA National Certification Exam (PANCE). Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of diseases and disorders of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. Task areas that will be addressed in the Clinical Medicine series (as well as in other courses) include: History taking and performing physical examination; Using diagnostic and laboratory studies; Formulating most likely diagnosis; Managing patients; Health Maintenance, Patient Education, and Preventive measures; Clinical intervention; Pharmaceutical therapeutics; Applying basic scientific concepts, and Professional practice. Problem Based Learning will be utilized in the Clinical Medicine courses. Proposed topics for PHA 513: Behavioral health, neurology, orthopedics, hematology, oncology. Prerequisite: PHA-512, successful completion of summer semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA-512 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-514 CLINICAL MEDICINE IV (4 Credits)**

PHA-514 Clinical Medicine IV, 4 credits PHA-514 is the fourth in the series of Clinical Medicine courses. The Clinical Medicine series of 4 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of all of the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, which is a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter as well as the breakdown of clinical tasks that are expected of entry level PA graduates and evaluated on the PA National Certification Exam (PANCE). Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of diseases and disorders of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. Task areas that will be addressed in the Clinical Medicine series (as well as in other courses) include: History taking and performing physical examination; Using diagnostic and laboratory studies; Formulating most likely diagnosis; Managing patients; Health Maintenance, Patient Education, and Preventive measures; Clinical intervention; Pharmaceutical therapeutics; Applying basic scientific concepts, and Professional practice. PHA 514 will address patients in special populations and environments. These will include pediatric, geriatric, and emergency department patients. The course lasts 5 weeks and is concentrated. Prerequisite: PHA-513, successful completion of year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA 513 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

## **PHA-521 CLINICAL SCIENCE I (4 Credits)**

PHA-521 Clinical Science I, 4 credits PHA-521 is the first in the series of Clinical Science courses. The Clinical Science series of 3 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of the organ systems, diseases, and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 521 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Pharmacotherapeutics, and Patient Assessment series of courses. The course will include lectures, cases, laboratory sessions, anatomy models, prosections, and digital anatomy software. Areas of interest for PHA 521 are: dermatology, ophthalmology/otorhinolaryngology, pulmonary, infectious disease, and endocrine. Prerequisite: Admission to PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

## **PHA-522 CLINICAL SCIENCE II (3 Credits)**

PHA-522 Clinical Science II, 3 credits PHA-522 is the second in the series of Clinical Science courses. The Clinical Science series of 3 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of all of the anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of the organ systems, diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 522 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Pharmacotherapeutics, and Patient Assessment series of courses. The course will include lectures, cases, anatomy models, prosections, and digital anatomy software. Areas of interest in PHA 522 are: GU/renal, OB/GYN, Cardiology, and GI. Prerequisite: PHA-521 and successful completion of spring semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** TAKE PHA-521 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

## **PHA-523 CLINICAL SCIENCE III (4 Credits)**

PHA-523 Clinical Science III, 4 credits PHA-523 is the third in the series of Clinical Science courses. The Clinical Science series of 3 courses are designed for learners to acquire knowledge of all of the anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of the organ systems, diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 522 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Pharmacotherapeutics, and Patient Assessment series of courses. The course will include lectures, laboratory sessions, cases, anatomy models, prosections, and digital anatomy software. Topics of interest are: neurology, musculo-skeletal, hematology, and oncology. Prerequisite: PHA-522 and successful completion of summer semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** TAKE PHA-522 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-531 PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS I (3 Credits)**

PHA-531 Pharmacotherapeutics I, 3 credits PHA-531 is the first in the series of Pharmacotherapeutics courses. The Pharmacotherapeutics series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the pharmacologic basis and pharmacotherapeutic treatments for the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the pharmacotherapeutic treatment of conditions and diseases of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 531 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Science, and Patient Assessment series of courses. The course will include lectures, cases, and group exercises. Planned topics for PHA 531: Pharmacokinetics, Pharmacodynamics, Dermatology, Pulmonology, EENT, Infectious Diseases, and Endocrinology Prerequisite: Admission to PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-532 PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS II (2 Credits)**

PHA-532 Pharmacotherapeutics II, 2 credits PHA-532 is the second in the series of Pharmacotherapeutics courses. The Pharmacotherapeutics series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the pharmacologic basis and pharmacotherapeutic treatments for the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the pharmacotherapeutic treatment of conditions and diseases of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 532 will correspond with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Science, and Patient Assessment series of courses. The course will include lectures, cases, and group exercises. The knowledge acquired in this course will build upon the learning attained in the previous semester. Planned topics for PHA 532: Cardiology, OB/GYN, GU/Renal, and GI/Nutrition Prerequisite: PHA-531 and successful completion of spring semester of Year 1 of MS in PAS program.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA-531 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-533 PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS III (3 Credits)**

PHA-533 Pharmacotherapeutics III, 3 credits PHA-533 is the third in the series of Pharmacotherapeutics courses. The Pharmacotherapeutics series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the pharmacologic basis and pharmacotherapeutic treatments for the diseases and conditions in the NCCPA Blueprint, a comprehensive list of those diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the pharmacotherapeutic treatment of conditions and diseases of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 533 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Science, and Patient Assessment series of courses. The course will include lectures, cases, and group exercises. The knowledge acquired in this course will build upon the learning attained in the previous semester. Planned topics for PHA 533: Psychiatry/Behavioral health, Neurology, Musculo-skeletal, Hematology/Oncology, and Pediatrics/Geriatrics. Prerequisite: PHA-532 and successful completion of summer semester of Year 1 of MS in PAS.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA 532 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-541 PATIENT ASSESSMENT I (5 Credits)**

PHA-541 Patient Assessment I, 5 credits PHA-541 is the first in the series of Patient Assessment courses. The Patient Assessment series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of gathering a pertinent patient history, performing the correct physical exam, ordering and interpreting the correct diagnostic studies, developing a treatment plan, and educating patients and families about diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the assessment of patients with conditions and diseases of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 541 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Science, and Patient Assessment series of courses. Simulation with mannequins and live patients will be included. The course will include lectures, cases, clinical labs, and group exercises with emphasis on evidence-based practice. Topics for PHA 541 include: Medical interviewing; documentation of a clinical encounter; general survey and vital signs; skin, hair, and nails exam; eye exam; head, neck, ears, nose, throat, and lungs and thorax exam. Prerequisite: Admission to PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-542 PATIENT ASSESSMENT II (4 Credits)**

PHA-542 Patient Assessment II, 4 credits PHA-542 is the second in the series of Patient Assessment courses. The Patient Assessment series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of gathering a pertinent patient history, performing the correct physical exam, ordering and interpreting the correct diagnostic studies, developing a treatment plan, and educating patients and families about diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the assessment of patients with conditions and diseases of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 542 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Science, and Patient Assessment series of courses. Simulation with mannequins and live patients will be included. The course will include lectures, cases, clinical labs, and group exercises with emphasis on evidence-based practice. Knowledge will build on that acquired in PHA 541 as well as other courses in the PA program. PHA 542 topics include: Medical interviewing; cardiac exam; abdominal exam; genito-urinary exam; and gynecologic exam Prerequisite: PHA-541 and successful completion of spring semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA 541 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-543 PATIENT ASSESSMENT III (5 Credits)**

PHA-543 Patient Assessment III, 5 credits PHA-543 is the third in the series of Patient Assessment courses. The Patient Assessment series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of gathering a pertinent patient history, performing the correct physical exam, ordering and interpreting the correct diagnostic studies, developing a treatment plan, and educating patients and families about diseases and disorders that PAs encounter in practice. Over the semesters of the Didactic Phase of the program, learners will acquire knowledge of the assessment of patients with conditions and diseases of the following systems: Cardiovascular; Dermatologic; Endocrine; Eyes, Ears, Nose, & Throat; Gastrointestinal system/nutrition; Genitourinary system; Hematologic system; Infectious diseases; Musculoskeletal system; Neurological system; Psychiatry/Behavioral Health; Pulmonary system; Renal system; and Reproductive system. The topics in PHA 543 will sync with the topics in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Science, and Patient Assessment series of courses. Simulation with mannequins and live patients will be included. The course will include lectures, cases, clinical labs, and group exercises with emphasis on evidence-based practice. Knowledge will build on that acquired in PHA 541 and 542 as well as other courses in the PA program. Topics for PHA 543 include: Medical interviewing; musculo-skeletal

exam; neurologic exam; pediatric exam; geriatric exam and hospital documentation. Prerequisite: PHA-542 and successful completion of summer semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** COMPLETE PHA 542 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-551 THE PA IN PRACTICE I (2 Credits)**

PHA-551 The PA in Practice I, 2 credits PHA-551 is the first in the series of the PA in Practice courses. There is an art to the practice PA in Practice series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the "soft" skills and non-clinical information required of a practicing PA. Topics in PHA 551 include (but not limited to): professionalism, the history of the PA profession, PA licensing and credentialing, PA utilization in the current health care workforce, current trends in PA education, laws and regulations of PA practice, political issues that affect PA practice, the physician-PA team, PA professional organizations, and PA program accreditation. Prerequisite: Admission to PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-552 THE PA IN PRACTICE II (2 Credits)**

PHA-552 The PA in Practice II, 2 credits PHA-552 is the second in the series of the PA in Practice courses. There is an art to the practice of medicine that goes beyond clinical acumen. The PA in Practice series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the "soft" skills and non-clinical information required of a practicing PA. Topics in PHA 552 include (but not limited to): Health policy; health care delivery systems; public health; the role of health care providers in prevention of disease and maintenance of population health; disease surveillance, reporting and intervention; patient safety; quality improvement; prevention of medical errors; and risk management. Prerequisite: PHA-551 and successful completion of spring semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** TAKE PHA-551 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-553 THE PA IN PRACTICE III (2 Credits)**

PHA-553 The PA in Practice III, 2 credits PHA-553 is the third in the series of the PA in Practice courses. There is an art to the practice of medicine that goes beyond clinical acumen. The PA in Practice series of 3 courses is designed for learners to acquire knowledge of the "soft" skills and non-clinical information required of a practicing PA. Topics in PHA 553 include (but not limited to): diversity in health care, inter-professional education; searching, interpreting and evaluating medical literature and how it is applied to individualized patient care; evidence-based practice; and reimbursement, documentation of care, coding and billing. Prerequisite: PHA-552 and successful completion of summer semester year 1 of PA Studies Program.

**Requisites:** TAKE PHA-552 - Must be completed prior to taking this course.

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-570 CLINICAL PROCEDURES (3 Credits)**

PHA-570 Clinical Procedures, 3 credits PHA-570 is a course concentrating on procedures that a practicing Physician Assistant can be expected to perform. The focus of the course will be related to understanding certain procedures as well as when certain procedures are applicable, their risk and benefits, and contraindications. The most common and most frequently encountered procedures will be reviewed with some procedures being demonstrated by students on practice trainers or other equipment. These procedures will also be discussed with corresponding disease/systems throughout the Clinical Medicine series. Planned topics for PHA 570 include but are not limited to: Peripheral intravenous line insertion, Urinalysis with microscopic, injections including: intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous; suturing (insertion and removal), incision and drainage, staples (insertion and removal), casting and splinting, gastric tube insertion, Foley catheter insertion, central venous catheter insertion, arterial catheter insertion, thoracentesis, paracentesis, intubation, local

anesthesia/digital blocks, and lumbar puncture. ACLS will also be conducted during this course. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the first 3 semesters of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-600 APPLIED PRACTICE (BEHAVIORAL HEALTH) (5 Credits)**

PHA-600 Applied Practice (Behavioral Health), 5 credits PHA-600 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning in a behavioral health clinic or an inpatient behavioral health unit. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-605 APPLIED PRACTICE (EMERGENCY) (5 Credits)**

PHA-605 Applied Practice (Emergency Medicine), 5 credits PHA 605 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning in an Emergency department. They will evaluate patients across the adult life span. Prerequisite: Completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-610 APPLIED PRACTICE (FAMILY MEDICINE) (5 Credits)**

PHA-610 Applied Practice (Family Medicine), 5 credits PHA-610 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning in a family medicine clinic/office. Students will evaluate patients across the total life span. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-615 APPLIED PRACTICE (GENERAL SURGERY) (5 Credits)**

PHA-615 Applied Practice (General Surgery), 5 credits PHA-615 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning on a general surgery service in a hospital and/or in a general surgeon's office. Students will most often evaluate adult and elderly patients. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-620 APPLIED PRACTICE (INTERNAL MEDICINE) (5 Credits)**

PHA-620 Applied Practice (Internal Medicine), 5 credits PHA-620 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning in an internal medicine office or the inpatient hospital medicine setting. They evaluate patients across the adult life span. Prerequisite: Completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-625 APPLIED PRACTICE (PEDIATRICS) (5 Credits)**

PHA-625 Applied Practice (Pediatrics), 5 credits PHA-625 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning in a pediatric office. They will evaluate pediatric patients to include newborns, infants, children, and adolescents. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-630 APPLIED PRACTICE (WOMEN'S HEALTH) (5 Credits)**

PHA-630 Applied Practice (Women's Health), 5 credits PHA-630 will be one of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be learning in a women's health clinic or an obstetrics inpatient unit. They will evaluate patients across the adult life span. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA Studies program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

### **PHA-635 APPLIED PRACTICE (ELECTIVE I) (5 Credits)**

PHA-635 Applied Practice (Elective I), 5 credits PHA-635 and 640 will be two of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be able to choose from a number of medical or surgical electives. They will evaluate patients across the life span and are planned to be scheduled at the end of the clinical phase. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate



## **PHA-640 APPLIED PRACTICE (ELECTIVE 2) (5 Credits)**

PHA-640 Applied Practice (Elective I), 5 credits PHA-635 and 640 will be two of nine 5 week clinical rotations that will start in the spring semester of the second year and continue into spring of the third year. These are Supervised Clinical Practice Experiences (SCPEs) that provide the opportunity to immerse the students into the clinical setting under the preceptorship of a clinician, most often a physician or PA. Students are expected to learn and perform tasks and procedures expected of a new graduate PA. In this SCPE the students will be able to choose from a number of medical or surgical electives. They will evaluate patients across the life span and are planned to be scheduled at the end of the clinical phase. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the didactic phase of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate

## **PHA-660 TRANSITION TO PRACTICE (3 Credits)**

PHA-660 TRANSITION TO PRACTICE, 3 credits PHA-660 is the final course in the PA program. It provides an opportunity for the student to begin the transition to entry-level PA practice. During this 5 week course, students will complete a research project and present it, prepare for the PA National Certification Exam (PANCE), hone job seeking skills, and perform community service. As a condition of graduation, students must pass a comprehensive written final exam and successfully complete a multi-station Observed Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) during the course. Prerequisite: Successful completion of the first six semesters of the PA program

**Requisites:** None

**Locations:** Assumption College Graduate