

# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT (BS/MS) @ WAGNER

Wagner College is a competitive, four-year private college founded in 1883. The broad liberal arts curriculum is enhanced by a rich array of internship and other professional and cultural opportunities readily available in New York City.



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The PA major consists of the **two-year Pre-Physician Assistant Program followed by the three-year, professional Physician Assistant Program**. Successful completion leads to the BS/MS degrees in Physician Assistant Studies and eligibility to take the national certifying examination leading to the title of Certified Physician Assistant (PA-C). During the first two years at Wagner College, students take courses in the sciences, as well as the general education course requirements needed to proceed to the Physician Assistant Program. The mission of the three-year BS/MS Physician Assistant Program is to prepare professional academic clinicians, committed to healthcare and to providing quality care to all individuals.

## ADMISSIONS PROCESS

The PA Committee is looking for students with experience in the health field (shadowing, volunteering, working in a health care setting). Based on transcript evaluations (if a transfer/second-degree candidate), a student's experience in the healthcare field (shadowing, volunteering, working in a health care setting) and the interview, the PA Committee will then choose a select group of students to join the PA program. Since the PA program is a competitive program, there is an earlier application deadline as well as an interview process. **The deadline for students applying as first year student to the college is December first.** Once the candidate has been deemed academically qualified, an invitation to interview is extended. Students will be notified of their final admission decision after the interview process is completed.

## SAMPLE CLASSES

### *Endocrinology*

A survey of the various endocrine glands of the human body. Attention is given to the

secretion of hormones, their effects on target tissue metabolism, and resulting physiological effects. The relations between the endocrine and nervous systems are emphasized. Controls over higher-center hormone release and target secondary hormone secretion are discussed.

### *Emergency and Surgical Medicine*

The purposes of this course are to provide students with instruction regarding recognition and management of the surgical patient, as well as instruction regarding rapid and efficient management of the trauma or emergent patient. Students learn to design a personal method of rapid assessment and management for the critical patient in the emergency department setting. This course includes a radiology workshop to generate a basis for the recognition of and differentiation between the normal and abnormal radiographic findings.

## FIRST YEAR LEARNING COMMUNITY EXAMPLE

### *Robot: Minds, Machines and Human Beings*

This LC examines various

philosophical and biological approaches to our understanding of conscious life and its cultural impact. Topics discussed are the nature of the mind, the concept of a person, the relation of mind and body, the reduction of mind to brain, and whether a machine can think. Can robotic technology transform, or perhaps, replace human beings?

## INTERNSHIP EXAMPLES

Staten Island University Hospital  
Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center  
NYU Medical Center  
Johns Hopkins School of Medicine

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