PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT EDUCATION

Leadership
  Department Chair
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Overview
The mission of the Saint Louis University physician assistant program is to educate men and women to become competent, compassionate physician assistants dedicated to excellence in health care and to the service of humanity.

Resources allow the PA program to draw on a vast network of experts in their respective fields for lectures and clinical experience.

The department strives to empower students as socially responsible learners to help assure high-quality care and advocacy for each patient whose life is touched by PA program students or graduates. In addition to their academic and clinical obligations, students are involved in community service, including the student-run free clinic (the Health Resource Center or HRC) and are encouraged to become involved in state/national PA activities.

Programs
• Physician Assistant, M.M.S. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/physician-assistant-education/medical-sciences-mms)

Policies
Withdrawal and Leave of Absence
Withdrawal from any course or modification of the curricular sequence of the PA Program is not permitted, except as part of an approved leave of absence. If for any reason a student needs to request a leave of absence, the student should schedule a meeting with the PA Program Director or another principal faculty member. The student will be guided through the University process for LOA and course withdrawal with help from program faculty and staff.

Despite potential reasons for leaving the program, most fees are non-refundable and tuition refunds often cannot be granted due to the timing and sequencing of our curriculum. If, however, a tuition refund is applicable, the student will be guided through this process as well. Information on withdrawal, tuition and fee refunds may be found at Student Financial Aid Services (http://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services).

Faculty
The principal faculty of the department of physician assistant education offer a breadth of background and experience in health care and education. In addition, more than 150 area physicians, PAs and other health professionals may lecture in the PA program, as well as basic science faculty from within the University.

Genevieve DelRosario, M.H.S., PA-C (https://www.slu.edu/doisy/faculty/delrosario-genevieve.php)
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