



## Physician Assistant

**Degree Offered:** Bachelor of Natural Science - Health Science Concentration/Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (BS/MS)

The mission of the Daemen College Physician Assistant Program is to educate capable individuals to meet the challenges of providing quality health care services with the supervision of a licensed physician.

**Physician Assistants are nationally certified and state-licensed medical professionals.** PAs practice medicine on healthcare teams with physicians and other providers. They practice and prescribe medication in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the majority of the U.S. territories and the uniformed services

Within the physician-PA relationship, physician assistants exercise autonomy in medical decision making and provide a broad range of diagnostic and therapeutic services.

### Career Options:

Deliver medical services in doctor's offices, hospitals, urgent care centers, emergency departments, surgical centers, correctional facilities, and more in a variety of specialties including surgery, family practice, psychiatry, orthopedics, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, emergency medicine and others.

### Physician Assistant @ Daemen

- Daemen's program is one of only 210 (and growing rapidly) in the country to be accredited and one of a few that accepts first year students. If you enroll you won't have to reapply - your seat is reserved as long as you meet the academic requirements.
- Many of the lectures are given by board certified physicians.
- The rigor of our program is evident in our 98% first attempt pass rate on the NCCPA Certification Exam (the national average is 92-94%).
- You can pursue a variety of clinical experiences including partnerships with hundreds of sites in New York State.
- Clerkships are set up for students by Daemen's own clinical coordinator.

### *Where are recent graduates employed?*

- Roswell Park Cancer Institute
- Dent Neurological Institute
- Veterans Administration
- Northtown Orthopedics
- E.J. Noble Hospital

## Recent Graduates' Jobs:

Rochester General Hospital, St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center, Excelsior Orthopedics, Erie County Medical Center, Buffalo Medical Group, and a variety of other hospitals and private practices.

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Daemen student providing health-care to villages in the Dominican Republic.

Students can participate in a wide range of service learning opportunities, including an annual trip to the Dominican Republic providing health-care services to local villagers.

Students Without Borders (SWOB) has organized annual trips to the Dominican Republic since 2001. Typically, these January trips provide medical, dental, and humanitarian aid to the people in the surrounding villages of Progreso Dos in San Pedro de Marcoris. Students bring supplies donated by local physician and dentist offices to the clinic in the local village. Over 500 patients receive care during each of these mission trips. The care provided by students is directly supervised by physicians, physician assistants, and dentists.

If you love baseball, we also play a lot of it with the local children and visit the local Winter League team during our trip.

## The Physician Assistant Profession is Growing

The average annual salary for physician assistants is growing nationally. Clinical Advisor reports average income is \$105,013. The profession is growing in terms of practitioners, with an estimated 60% increase expected over the next decade. Of the approximate 108,000 PAs in the nation, 1 in 10 is licensed in New York.

## Experienced Faculty

Innovative, skilled and proficient faculty, many of whom are board certified and fellowship trained. Our faculty all continue to practice in various areas of medicine. A faculty member from Daemen has been a recipient of the New York State Society of Physician Assistants PA Educator of the Year award 6 times since 2005.

- All first year students can apply directly to the Admissions Department at Daemen College.

Successful applicants must demonstrate evidence of strong math and science preparation, knowledge of the profession, and superior interpersonal communication skills.

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