



MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Tomorrow's HealthCare Team

Physician Assistant Program

Preceptor CHAT

Spring Edition 2021



Thank you for completing our annual

Preceptor Survey of PA Student Preparedness for Clinical Rotations

As COVID-19 vaccinations increase and we receive direction to reduce social distancing requirements on campus we will be returning to our usual in-person lectures and skills labs. The past year was an anomaly and we plan to continue training our students live and in person for all didactic and skills-based curricula.

Modification to a 24-month Program

June of 2021 marks the beginning of our 24-month program. We received approval from ARC-PA and our university administration to transition from 27 to 24 months. There will be no loss of didactic content. Students will now experience more simulated encounters earlier in their didactic year and complete the same seven core clinical rotations with only one elective rotation.

Rotations for the 2022-2023 clinical year will begin in May of 2022, therefore, we will be requesting your availability and scheduling students early this summer/fall of 2021.

Preceptor Compensation/Tax Incentive Program

We are actively working with the Arizona State Association of PA's (ASAPA) to draft legislation that will incentivize and reward clinicians (MD, DO, PA, NP) who precept our future healthcare providers. Compensation for your efforts is important to us....stay tuned!

End-of-Rotation Exam Topic Lists and Blueprints

If you're interested in what your students are being tested on for their end-of-rotation exams, visit the PAEA End-of-Rotation Exam: Content website.

<https://paeaonline.org/assessment/end-of-rotation/content>

Need to Contact Our Department?

If you have questions about our program or desire feedback regarding precepting our PA students, please reach out to us.

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Clinical Preceptors are Instructional Faculty

PA education is rigorous and condensed. Students have two phases of learning, the didactic and the clinical year. It is impossible to teach PA students all aspects of medicine before starting their clinical phase. Clinical rotations provide students opportunities for new and advanced learning, critical thinking, medical decision making, and application of skills in an environment that is safe, supervised, and educational.

As a clinical preceptor, you often volunteer your time, expertise, and facilities to provide students experience with real patients. The rewards for teaching are extensive though not always monetary.

We attempt to provide preceptor compensation as an incentive to host students. However, approval is required by your employer and must be a part of our affiliation agreement.

If there are other preceptor benefits you would like to receive, please contact us to discuss these in detail. We want to recognize your hard work and participation in educating our students, but are restricted by university, employer, and legal terms.