

EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES OF THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM-PLEASANTVILLE

At the completion of the Pace University Pleasantville Physician Assistant Program, students are able to:

- PL01: Employ the ability to think critically and utilize clinical reasoning in providing patient-centered primary care throughout the lifespan.
- PL02: Explain the anatomical, physiological and psychosocial characteristics of normal and pathological human growth, development and aging across diverse populations.
- PL03: Demonstrate professionalism, honesty and integrity in all interactions with colleagues, patients and families.
- PL04: Employ interpersonal communication skills to develop therapeutic and culturally sensitive relationships with patients and their families to develop mutually agreed upon goals for care and provide patient education aimed at disease prevention.
- PL05: Demonstrate compassion and respect for all patients and their families by actively listening and communicating and in ways that adapt to their level of health literacy and comprehension.
- PL06: Conduct accurate patient histories and perform accurate physical exams appropriate to patient presentation, age and clinical setting, and organize, record and present the clinical data in a clear, concise manner.
- PL07: Demonstrate the ability to select appropriate, high value diagnostic studies and tests.
- PL08: Demonstrate the ability to perform and document diagnostic and therapeutic procedures.
- PL09: Formulate a prioritized differential diagnosis and integrate information from history, exam and diagnostic testing to create management and treatment plans based on respect for patient preferences, evidence based medicine and informed clinical judgement.
- PL010: Formulate relevant questions and utilize appropriate medical information resources to obtain accurate medical information.
- PL011: Demonstrate the ability to critically evaluate and interpret scientific and medical literature, utilize evidence-based medicine and apply practice guidelines in the prevention, evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of disease.
- PL012: Demonstrate the ability to collaborate, including respectful and effective communication, with all members of the interprofessional patient-care teams.
- PL013: Demonstrate the ability to use the electronic health record to document accurate information regarding care provided, for medical, legal, quality assurance and financial purposes and explain the role of practice-based data analysis in providing patient-centered care.
- PL014: Demonstrate an understanding of the complex health care delivery systems in underserved communities by supporting and advocating for relevant, cost-conscious, high-value patient care.
- PL015: Demonstrate professional leadership and community service in the care of diverse and underserved patients by assisting them in navigating the unique barriers they often face when accessing care.
- PL016: Demonstrate a commitment to ethical principles pertaining to decision making at the beginning and end of life, confidentiality of patient information, informed consent, conflicts of interest and business practices.
- PL017: Use acquired knowledge of skills to find gainful employment and adapt to evolving health care systems. PL018: Demonstrate readiness to pursue independent, lifelong learning through continuing education, professional development, scholarship and participation in professional organizations.
- PL019: Continually self-assess one's strengths and areas for improvement and pursue a plan for improvement, including accepting and integrating feedback received from patients and colleagues into clinical practice.
- PL020: Recognize and address personal biases, gaps in medical knowledge and physical limitations in self and others as well as identify and report disruptive or unprofessional behavior or distress in self or colleagues.