

## **MY TIMELINE**

What Can I do in High School?

Take the **ACT** and **SAT** 

**The Common Application** 

Individual applications.

Be aware of transcripts and

transfer credit such as: Early

in extracurricular activities:

volunteering. Workshops,

Sports, jobs, clubs, organizations,

College, AP, IB, CLEP or Transfer

**Complete College Applications:** 

**CFNC** and

Credit.

Participate

summer camps

## What Can I do in College?

PA schools require you to have at least a Bachelor's Degree. You can transfer from a NC community college to public NC university and still go to PA school.

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PHYSICAN

ASSISTANT

Picking a major does not effect your acceptance into PA school as long as you have the general course requirements.

In order to have a competitive application to PA school, students **MUST** have direct hands-on patient care hours prior to applying. Search <u>HERE</u> for a list of acceptable direct patient care experience.

Other opportunities to distinguish your application include: Shadowing, volunteering, clinical experiences, research. What about PA School and Residency?

PA schools require you to take the <u>GRE</u> exam before applying to PA school.

<u>CASPA</u> is the application service for PA school.

Applications open about one year before entering PA school. The application process includes: applications and in-person interviews

PA school lasts two years. There is no residency requirement. There are eleven PA schools in North Carolina:

CampbellMDukeWalUNCHiWingateEasElonGardPeiffer

<u>Methodist</u> <u>Wake Forest</u> <u>High Point</u> <u>East Carolina</u> <u>Gardner Webb</u>

## **PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS...**

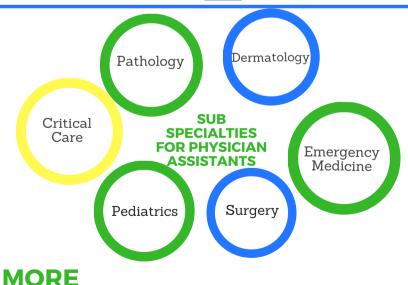
Advocate for patients in the health care system

Diagnosis & treat patients with minimal physician supervision

**Prescribe medications** 

Are needed in Western North Carolina

> Manage patient medications, order and interpret diagnostic tests, educate and counsel patients, research, AND MORE!



**INFORMATION?** 

US Bureau of Labor Statistics Application Fee Assistance PA Student Resources My Next Move—Physician Assistant What is a PA?



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