Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Baccalaureate Program Guide

GENERAL EDUCATION (IAI GECC, 31-32 credits)

The Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) requires 12 to 13 courses. Courses selected to meet IAI GECC requirements may also meet course requirements for a specific major. Degree requirements have been revised for new students for the fall 2016 term. The degree requirements as listed do not complete IAI GECC core requirements. An additional 3 credits of approved Humanities or Fine Arts and 3 credits of Social Sciences are needed to complete the core. These additional courses may be taken as electives or upon transfer to the four year institution.

IAI Communications: (3 courses)

_______ENG 101 or ENG 113 (C grade or higher)
_______ENG 102 (C grade or higher)
_______SPE 115 Speech

IAI Humanities and Fine Arts (2 courses)

At least one course must be an IAI Fine Arts elective and one course must be an IAI Humanities elective.

Fine Arts Elective

Humanities Elective

IAI Fine Arts Electives:
Art ...................... ART 111, 220, 221, 291
Literature .............. LIT 275
Music ................... MUS 105, 225
Theater ................. THE 113

IAI Humanities Electives:
Foreign Language ...... FRE 202, GER 202, SPN 202
History ................. HIS 101, 102, 213
Literature .............. LIT 211, 212, 231, 232, 235, 264, 280, 281, 284, 295
Philosophy ............. PHL 111, 121, 131, 200, 260

IAI Mathematics (1 course)

_______MAT 282 (3)

IAI Social and Behavioral Sciences (2 courses)

At least two different disciplines (course prefixes) must be represented.

_______PSY 132 (3)

Social Science Elective (3)

IAI Social and Behavioral Sciences Electives:
Anthropology ....... ANT 111, 202, 216, 240
Economics .......... ECO 201, 202
Geography ........... GEO 112
History ............... HIS 103, 104, 201, 202
Political Science ... PSC 131, 211, 212, 213, 289
Psychology .......... PSY 132, 200, 203, 262
Sociology ............. SOC 133, 215, 263, 264

IAI Physical/Life Sciences (2 courses)

One course must include a lab component.

_____BIO 101 (4)
_____CHM 151 (5)

Additional Associate in Science Degree requirements
(Courses should be applicable to your intended major)

MAT Elective-3 to 5
BIO 205 (4)

MAJOR AND GENERAL ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS

IAI GECC and major/elective credits must total a minimum of 62 hours for the degree. Students should select elective hours that will allow them to complete this 62 hour requirement. Pre-requisite courses may be required before taking these electives. Consult with the Course Catalog and your advisor.

_______HIT 217 (3)
_______BIO 206 (4)

Credits applicable to intended BS degree:

_______Elective

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ARTICULATION NOTES:
Consult with the transfer institution to assess if certain courses require a grade of “C” or higher, or if there is a minimum grade point average for admission to your declared major. Please select courses on this guide in accordance with the Articulation Notes for your transfer institution.

SIUC TRANSFER INFORMATION:

Applicants to the seven semester Master of Science Physician Assistant Studies (MSPA) program must hold a Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university.

--Only courses with grades of C or better will be accepted. The prerequisite course GPA, as calculated by SIU, must be at least a 3.2 (A=4.0).
--Take HIT 217 (AH 105), CHM 151 (CHEM 200, 201, 202), PSY 132, BIO 101, 205 and 206. Take MAT 282. Take additional credits (15-17) that are applicable to the intended Bachelor of Science major

--BLS certification in CPR for health care providers is required.

-- Applicants should have significant health care experiences, with preference given to candidates with at least 2000 of documented work. This experience should be in conjunction with shadowing a licensed, certified practicing Physician Assistant.

-- Applicants must submit test scores from either the GRE or MCAT.

-- Applicants need to be proficient in the use of computers and especially with software applications such as Microsoft Word.

-- The application process is open once a year and begins on April 22nd.

-- Those invited to join the PA program are required to pass a criminal background check through CertifiedBackground.com prior to matriculation.