## **Physician Assistant/Physician Associate**

This is an **example** 4-year plan for a health science major who aspires to go into a Physician Assistant/Physician Associate graduate program. This example includes a neuroscience minor. There are many equally appropriate variations. This is just one example. **Bolded classes are sequential and need to be taken in a particular order. Other classes can be easily interchanged in different terms.** Yellow highlighted classes are those that satisfy common prerequisites for PA school admission. However, every graduate program sets their own admission requirements, and it is the student's responsibility to know specific admission prerequisite courses. Green highlighted courses are specific to the **neuroscience minor.** 

Many PA programs require students to take the GRE prior to application. Some schools may require other standardized tests (or none at all.) <u>https://www.ets.org/gre/test-takers/general-test/prepare/test-structure.html</u>

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Comments
1	BSHS 110 Intro to Healthcare *fall or spring 1 <sup>st</sup> yr*	BSHS 110 Intro to HC *fall or spring 1 <sup>st</sup> yr*	At least 20 hours
	CH 105 Gen Chem 1	CH 106 Gen Chem 2	shadowing outside
	MA 162 or AR 210 Statistics	BI 210 Genetics	classroom also
	FYS 101 First Year Seminar 1	FYS 102 First Year Seminar 2	required
	PCA or other core class	SW 250 Intro to Psychology	
	BSHS 100 Explore*Prepare*Succeed (EPS) 1	TI or other core class	
		BSHS 105 EPS 2	
2	BI 220 Cell Bio	BI 325 Microbio	Also gain HC
	CH 351 Organic Chemistry 1	CH 352 Organic Chemistry 2	experience outside
	BSHS 225 Interprofessional Health Education	BSHS 290 Public Health	classroom
	BSHS 230 Health System and Policy	BSHS 215 Medical Terminology	
	GHS core class 1	GHS core class 2	
	WB or other core class	BSHS 205 EPS 4	
	BSHS 200 EPS 3		
3	BSHS 334 Anatomy & Physiology 1 w/lab	BSHS 335 Anatomy & Physiology 2 w/lab	Start applying to
	BSHS 360 Healthcare Ethics	BSHS 340 Healthcare Communication	grad schools
	PS 370 Biological Basis of Behavior **	BSHS 350 Health Disparities	summer after junior
	BSHS 310 Nutrition for Healthcare	CH 361 Intro to Biochemistry	year
	Professionals*	PL 346 Philosophy of Mind *	
	BSHS 300 EPS 5	BSHS 305 EPS 6	
4	BSHS 430 Healthcare Quality & Improvement	BSHS 460 Evidence Based Healthcare	
	BSHS 450 Healthcare Biostats	BSHS 470 Intro to Pharmacology	
	NS 460 Cellular and Molecular Neurobiology*	PS 413 Neuroscience of Drugs*	
	BSHS 301 Internship *	BSHS Elective if needed	
	BSHS 400 EPS 7	BSHS 405 EPS 8	
		Most have at least 200 hours of HC	
		experience outside of classroom	
		completed prior to graduation	

\*May be interchanged with any BSHS elective or course for different minor

\*\* This option was chosen due to neuroscience minor, the requirement for the major is any 2 psych/soc courses. Some PA programs have specific psych course requirements. There are usually several other options here.