



NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Gregg Wadley College of Science and Health Professions

Guaranteed Interview Program Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding ("Agreement") establishes the Guaranteed Interview ("GI") Program between the Department of Health Professions and the Department of Biological Sciences at Northeastern State University (NSU) for the 2026-2027 academic year.

The Guaranteed Interview Program ensures that NSU students who meet the criteria outlined in this Agreement will be invited to interview with the Admissions Committee for potential admission to the NSU Physician Assistant (PA) Program.

Applicants in the GI Program will be evaluated using the same standards as traditional applicants, including assessment of academic preparedness, personal characteristics, and other relevant factors.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for the GI Program, applicants must:

- Be a permanent resident of the United States;
- Be on track to complete a baccalaureate degree in Cell and Molecular Biology before matriculation to the NSU PA Program (see Addendum 1 for sample sequence);
- Achieve a minimum **cumulative GPA of 3.75**;
- Achieve a minimum **science GPA of 3.5**;
- Any student with a grade **below a C will not be considered**
- Complete the following prerequisite coursework:

Prerequisite Course	NSU Course(s)
Microbiology with lab	BIOL 3224 Microbiology (L)
General Chemistry I with lab	CHEM 1123 and CHEM 1131 General Chemistry I (L)
General Chemistry II with lab	CHEM 1223 and CHEM 1231 General Chemistry II (L)
Organic Chemistry I with lab	CHEM 3123 and CHEM 3131 Organic Chemistry I (L)
College Algebra or higher	MATH 1513 or higher
Statistics	MATH 3513 Statistical Methods
Psychology	PSYC 1113 Introduction to Psychology
Psychology	PSYC 2023 Life-Span Development or PSYC 4153

	Abnormal Psychology
The following courses must be completed within seven years of the application deadline (no exceptions):	
Human Anatomy with lab	BIOL 2154 Human Anatomy (L)
Human Physiology with lab	BIOL 3314 Human Physiology (L)
Genetics	BIOL 3114 Genetics (L)
Biochemistry	CHEM 4214 Biochemistry

- Additional requirements:
 - Apply via CASPA
 - Submit a complete CASPA application by **October 1**
 - (while October 1 is the application deadline date, it may take CASPA a month or longer to verify your application so the program **highly encourages** applicants to have the application submitted prior to the application date);
 - Application is verified by CASPA by **October 20**;
 - Submit the program application fee by **October 20**;
 - Have a minimum of **200 hours in a healthcare setting** at the time of application;
 - Be a **first-time applicant** to the Guaranteed Interview Program
 - Apply to the guaranteed interview program via application link on website by **October 1**.

Agreement Provisions

- This Agreement guarantees an **interview** with the NSU PA Program for eligible students.
- This Agreement **does not guarantee admission** to the NSU PA Program.
- Following the interview, applicants will be notified of the Admissions Committee's decision (admission, waitlist, or denial) on or before February 28th, communicated by CASPA, a committee member, and/or the Program Director.
- If the qualified applicant is not accepted to the program by the matriculation date they will be invited to apply in a future cycle as a traditional applicant.

Applicants may apply to the GI Program during their final year at NSU or in the cycle immediately following graduation. Each applicant may participate in the GI Program for **only one** application cycle.

Agreement Review and Adjustments

The NSU PA Program reserves the right to review and propose changes to this Agreement as needed. For any given application cycle, academic plans may be adjusted on a case-by-case basis with the mutual agreement of both departments.



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Addendum 1
Cell and Molecular Biology, PA Program Guaranteed Interview Program

Semester One		Semester Two	
Course	Hrs.	Course	Hrs.
MATH 1513 College Algebra	3	CHEM 1123 General Chemistry I	3
BIOL 1013 Intro Biology I	3	CHEM 1131 General Chemistry I Lab	1
BIOL 1011 Intro Biology I Lab	1	BIOL 1023 Intro Biology II	3
ENGL 1113 Freshman Comp I	3	BIOL 1021 Intro Biology II Lab	1
Open Elective	3	ENGL 1213 Freshman Comp II	3
UNIV 1003 University Strategies	3	Communications	3
Semester Credit Hours:	16	Semester Credit Hours:	14

Semester Three		Semester Four	
Course	Hrs.	Course	Hrs.
CHEM 1223 General Chemistry II	3	BIOL 3124 Cell Biology	4
CHEM 1231 General Chemistry II Lab	1	BIOL 2154 Human Anatomy (L)	4
BIOL 3114 Genetics	4	CHEM 3123 Organic Chemistry I	3
POLS 1113 American Federal Government	3	CHEM 3131 Organic Chemistry I Lab	1
Professional and Self Development	3	MATH 3513 Statistical Methods	3
Open Elective	2		
Semester Credit Hours:	16	Semester Credit Hours:	15

Semester Five		Semester Six	
Course	Hrs.	Course	Hrs.
BIOL 3224 Microbiology **	4	BIOL 4103 Developmental Biology*	3
CHEM 3223 Organic Chemistry II	3	Research in Biology or Experimental Design*	2
CHEM 3231 Organic Chemistry II Lab	1	CHEM 4214 Biochemistry	4
BIOL 3314 Human Physiology	4	PSYC 2023 or PSYC 4153	3
PSYC 1113 Introduction to Psychology	3	HIST 1483 OR 1493 American History	3
Semester Credit Hours:	15	Semester Credit Hours:	15

Semester Seven		Semester Eight	
Course	Hrs.	Course	Hrs.
BIOL 4232 Molecular and Cellular Biology Lab	2	BIOL 4621 Senior Seminar	1
Open Elective	3	BIOL 4242 Trends and Issues in Molecular Biology *	2
BIOL 4543 Molecular Biology**	3	PHYS 1214 General Physics II	4
PHYS 1114 General Physics I	4	BIOL 4354 Immunology**	4
Humanities	3	Humanities	3
Semester Credit Hours:	15	Semester Credit Hours:	14

*Denotes Fall only class on BA, **Denotes Spring only class on BA