

Duquesne University Physician Assistant Program is seeking Physicians to serve as clinical preceptors for Physician Assistant students.

Becoming a Duquesne University Physician Assistant student clinical educator is a vital investment in the future of our local health care system. Healthcare industry organizations and medical associations consistently predict the demand for primary care providers will outpace the numbers entering the healthcare workforce in the coming years. Physicians are an integral part of the solution to this dilemma by preparing medical students and physician assistants for practice. Some of the benefits of being a clinical preceptor include:

Professional appointment at a prestigious academic institution.

Access to faculty resources and campus services.

A sense of giving back to the profession and local medical workforce.

Satisfaction in being a role model for students.

Category II CME credit for teaching PA students.

Possibility to assess students' abilities and identify those who you may want to hire in the future.

If you or a colleague is interested in finding out more about this exciting opportunity please contact Dana Motika, Clinical Coordinator, at 412-396-4244, or Bridget Calhoun, Program Director, at 412-396-5917.

Why become a clinical preceptor?

Becoming a Duquesne University Physician Assistant student clinical educator is a vital investment in the future of the health care system in the US and abroad. Healthcare industry organizations and Medical associations consistently predict that the demand for primary care providers will outpace the numbers entering the healthcare workforce in the coming years. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of PAs is expected to grow through the year 2012 and beyond.



Changes in the health care marketplace reflect a growing reliance on PAs as a vital part of the health care team. One way to assure an adequate supply of physician assistants is to take an active role in the education programs that prepare individuals for that role.

Physician assistants (PAs) are licensed health care professionals educated to practice medicine with the **supervision** of physicians. In all states, physicians may delegate to PA's medical duties that are permitted by law, within the physician's scope of practice and the PA's training and experience. PA's extend the ability of physicians to provide medical services and quality, cost effective medical care in communities across the country.

The Top 10 Reasons to Become a Clinical Preceptor

1. Increased enjoyment in clinical practice.
2. Sense of giving back to the profession.
3. Decreased sense of professional isolation.
4. Satisfaction in being a role model for students.
5. Opportunity for Faculty appointment in some programs.
6. Access to academic institutional resources.
7. Opportunity for additional CME offerings through the academic institution.
8. CME credit for teaching.
9. Opportunity to educate future PA's to carry on the traditions of caring.
10. Witnessing the enthusiasm and joy of learning by students Priceless

Adapted from the PAEA Faculty Development Institute list of reasons to become a clinical preceptor

Benefits of a Duquesne University Adjunct Clinical Faculty Designation

Professional appointment at a prestigious academic institution

Access to faculty resources and campus services, such as:

- Library and reference services
- Power center exercise facility
- Discounted bookstore purchases

Fellowship and engagement with other faculty



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DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

Department of Physician Assistant



Clinical Adjunct Faculty

Helping build a strong and skillful medical workforce for the future

A Program of Excellence

The Duquesne University PA Program was the nation's first entry-level Master's degree program admitting it's first professional phase students in May 1992. With over 350 successful graduates, Duquesne University is recognized for educating highly qualified clinical practitioners which is directly evidenced by the graduates' outstanding performance on the Physician Assistant National Certification Examination.

Highly qualified faculty
State-of-the-art training facilities
Strong didactic and clinical curricula based on the "Medical Model"

Students complete 10 semesters of rigorous didactic instruction in the basic sciences, clinical sciences and liberal arts before moving on to complete 8, six week clinical rotations in the graduate year. Following successful completion of the rotations and an Evidence Based Medicine research project, students are awarded a Masters of Physician Assistant and are eligible to sit for the national Boards.

The Duquesne Tradition:
Education for the mind, heart and spirit



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