PATHWAYS | Pre-Physician Assistant (PA) Concentration* & Pre-Physical Therapy (PT) Concentration*

*These are not majors. You must pick from one of the following:
- Bachelor of Science in Organismal Biology - Integrative Option
- Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences
- Bachelor of Science in Microbiology
- Bachelor of Science in Chemistry
- Bachelor of Science in Physics

COURSE SELECTION

Freshman
- Gateway courses: BIOL 1020/1021, BIOL 1030/1031, CHEM 1030/1031, CHEM 1040/1041, MATH 1610, SCMH 1890
- Continue core requirements and foundational science courses
- Gateway Courses: BIOL 3000, CHEM 2070/2071, PHYS 1500, PHYS 1510, PSYC 2010
- CHEM 2080/2081 (if BMSC major)

Sophomore
- Gateway Courses: BIOL 2500, BIOL 2510, BIOL 3200, PSYC 3120, PSYC Elective, STAT 2510
- Meet with your Academic Advisor to select courses that fulfill graduation requirements and prepare you for programs

Junior
- Gateway Courses: BIOL 3110, BIOL 3120, CHEM 3220, MATH 2010, PSYC 3120, PHYS 2070, PHYS 2071
- Meet with an academic advisor to choose courses required or recommended by programs
- Explore career options (auburn.edu/career)

Senior
- Meet with an academic advisor to choose courses required or recommended by programs
- Explore career options (auburn.edu/career)

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Meet with an academic advisor to choose courses required or recommended by programs
- Explore career options (auburn.edu/career)

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- If interested in PA shadow physicians and physician assistants engaged in general and specialty practice. If PT, shadow physical therapists in private clinics and in-patient facilities such as hospitals.
- Volunteer at indigent-care clinics and nursing homes

- Investigate summer internships (auburn.edu/career) and Study Abroad programs (auburn.edu/studyabroad)
- Take GRE practice tests and continue shadowing
- Schedule a mock interview during fall semester

- Continue undergraduate research (auburn.edu/undgress)
- Complete the application process about one year prior to projected enrollment

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GET INVOLVED

- Become an associate member of Alpha Epsilon Delta, join the listserv, attend meetings and participate in its community service activities (auburn.edu/aed)
- If interested in PT, join the Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy Club (PTOTC)

- Continue participation in AED or PTOTC-sponsored community service and leadership opportunities as well as attend meetings. If an active member of AED, apply for national membership
- Continue involvement with AED or PTOTC by attending meetings and other Pre-PA and Pre-PT sponsored activities and by serving as an elected or appointed officer
- Pursue leadership roles in student organizations in which you participate including AED or PTOTC.

College of Sciences & Mathematics

*Pre-PA Concentration*
- Entry Level Salary Range: $49.6K - $92.5K
- Minimum Education: M.S.

*Pre-PT Concentration*
- Entry Level Salary Range: $49.6K - $92.5K
- Minimum Education: D.P.T.

*Pre-OT Concentration*
- Entry Level Salary Range: $49.6K - $92.5K
- Minimum Education: M.S./Ph.D.

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Physicians Assistants (PAs) and Physical Therapists (PTs) are vital providers in the allied healthcare system. Increasingly, hospitals and clinics are hiring PAs to better serve their populations. PTs provide necessary support and care in long-term physical recovery and are in demand.