

MARIST School of Science

Physician Assistant Program

ADMISSIONS POLICY

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Marist College Physician Assistant Program (MCPAP) revised its admissions criteria to reflect the current challenges of our applicants. These policy changes will remain in effect for applicants applying to our incoming June 2021 cohort (Summer 2021). As the educational landscape adapts to these challenges, the program will reassess the criteria for future application submissions.

PASS/FAIL

If applying for the Summer 2021 cohort, pre-requisite pass/fail course(s) completed during the Spring 2020 and/or Summer 2020 semesters will be evaluated on an individual basis. Pass/fail courses will not be calculated into the cumulative or science prerequisite GPAs and will be evaluated as stand-alone courses. If an applicant is not given an option to receive a letter grade for a prerequisite course during Spring 2020 or Summer 2020, written documentation from their institution will need to be provided and submitted to the Office of Graduate Admission. If an applicant has the option of earning a letter grade instead of a pass/fail or satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade, prerequisite coursework should be taken on a letter-grade basis.

ONLINE LABS

Online labs will be accepted for prerequisite coursework completed during the Spring 2020 and Summer 2020 semesters, please refer to the "PASS/FAIL" criteria for grading.

TOEFL iBT

In the event that your regional ETS (Educational Testing Service) testing center has temporarily closed, we will accept the TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition test score. If you have any questions, please contact ETS at www.ets.org.

DIRECT PATIENT CARE HOURS

The Physician Assistant Program will continue to require a minimum of 500 patient care hours.