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DIDACTIC YEAR (14 MONTHS)
» Large-group lectures (case studies, interactive clickers, and projects)
» Small-group labs working with other students and faculty to practice skills (clinical skills, procedures, history taking, and physical exam)
» Standardized patient encounters
» Virtual anatomy lab
» Supervised clinical practice experiences in Arizona or with a community health center partner; family medicine, community health, emergency medicine, hematology/oncology, medical examiner, general surgery, ears nose throat, dental clinic, Mesa Fire Department (emergency medical response)
» Work closely with preceptors and patients

CLINICAL YEAR (12 MONTHS)
» Eight six-week supervised clinical practice experiences at sites throughout Arizona or at a community health center partner located in various parts of the United States
» Clinical practice experience areas include family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, emergency medicine, women’s health, general surgery, behavioral health, and elective

PREREQUISITES
» General Chemistry (min. 4 semester credits)
» Organic Chemistry (min. 4 semester credits)
» Human Anatomy with lab* (min. 4 semester credits)
» Human Physiology with lab* (min. 4 semester credits)
» Microbiology* (min. 3 semester credits)
» Biochemistry (min. 3 semester credits)
» Upper division science (9 additional semester credits) (i.e. genetics, immunology, cell biology)
» Psychology (min. 6 semester credits)
» Statistics (min. 3 semester credits)
» English Composition (min. 3 semester credits)
» English Elective (min. 3 semester credits)
» Medical Terminology
» 1,000 hours of health care experience that involves patient contact
» GRE taken within five years
If you have taken a combined Anatomy and Physiology course, you must have two or more semesters (each with lab)
*Recommended that course be completed within five years of application

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98% Current National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants pass rate for the class of 2017

2018 ENTERING CLASS
2,669 Applications received
28 Average age
346 Applicants interviewed
3.54 Average GPA
70 Class size
3.49 Average science GPA

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER PARTNERS
Community health centers are the nation’s largest safety net providers of healthcare for the underserved. Select students may be assigned to complete their rotations at one of our community health center partners.

Albany Area Primary Health Care
Albany, Georgia

Family Healthcare Network
Visalia, California

Camarena Health
Madera, California

Community Health Centers of the Central Coast
San Luis Obispo, California

Morton Comprehensive Health Services
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Teche Action Clinic
Franklin, Louisiana

ACCREDITATION
A.T. Still University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, 230 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604-1294, phone: 800.621.7440, fax: 312.263.7492, email: info@hlcommission.org, ncahlc.org
The Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) has granted Accreditation-Continued status to the Physician Assistant Program sponsored by A.T. Still University Arizona School of Health Sciences. Accreditation-Continued is an accreditation status granted when a currently accredited program is in compliance with the ARC-PA Standards. Accreditation remains in effect until the program closes or withdraws from the accreditation process or until accreditation is withdrawn for failure to comply with the Standards. The approximate date for the next review of the program by the ARC-PA will be March 2024. This review date is contingent upon continued compliance with the Accreditation Standards and ARC-PA policy.
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» College Algebra or higher***

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31 Applications received
5 States represented
6 Class size
3.13 Average GPA
24 Average age
3.00 Average science GPA

RESEARCH
Graduate-level research and publication in the areas of anatomy, biochemistry, cell biology, histology, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, neuroscience, pharmacology, and physiology

AFFORDABLE
Extremely competitive tuition cost for entire program compared to other universities (2018 - $11,760)

1892
Established in 1892, ATSU-KCOM is the founding college of osteopathic medicine.

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