

Carlow University
Department of Physician Assistant Studies
Program Policies

Policy Title: Advanced Placement Policy

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I. Purpose

The curriculum of the PA Program is designed to address the academic standards set forth by ARC-PA in a systematic manner. Each course adds to the horizontal and vertical integration of knowledge, attitudes and skills to achieve the intended outcomes set forth in the Program Learning Outcomes. As such, no advanced placement will be granted to students. All students must successfully complete all curricular components of the entire program in the allotted time in order to be granted a degree.

Program policy applies to all students regardless of location.

II. Policy Statement

Introduction

- I. Advanced Placement is defined by ARC-PA as a waiver of required coursework included in the PA curriculum for applicants to the program and/or a waiver of required coursework included in the PA curriculum/or currently enrolled students in the program which results in the student advancing in the curriculum without completing required curriculum components at the sponsoring institution.
- II. The curriculum of the Carlow University PA Program is designed in order to address the academic standards set forth by ARC-PA in a systematic manner. For information integration, it is vital that all students complete all curricular aspects of the PA Program.
- III. It is the policy of the PA Program at Carlow University that no advanced placement will be granted to any applicant or student in the program. All students must successfully complete all curricular components of the Program in order to graduate and be granted a degree by Carlow University. There will be no exceptions.

Orientation to Policy

- I. This policy is posted on the Program website and is included in the Student Manual. Reference to this policy can also be found in Policy PA 101 Admissions Policy. Individuals will be oriented to this policy during the admissions process.
- II. Faculty will be oriented to this policy via the Faculty Manual.

Compliance

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- I. The Program Director is responsible for monitoring compliance with the policy.
- II. This policy will be reviewed annually by the PA program faculty (per Program Assessment Plan) to assure it continues to reflect the current University and program policy.