

SUPAP Program Competencies

Upon completion of the program, students will possess the necessary medical knowledge, interpersonal skills, clinical reasoning and problem-solving abilities, clinical and technical skills, professional behaviors, and society and population health awareness essential for entry into PA practice outlined in the competencies below:

Medical knowledge:

MK1. Apply core knowledge of biomedical and clinical sciences fundamental to patient care.

Interpersonal skills:

IS1. Exhibit effective communication skills with patients and/or those involved with their care.

IS2. Demonstrate empathy and compassion to effectively build trust and rapport with patients and/or those involved in their care.

Clinical and technical skills:

CTS1. Obtain an accurate and relevant medical history.

CTS2. Deliver aspects of a patient encounter through accurate written and verbal communication.

CTS3. Perform fundamental clinical and technical skills essential for entry into PA practice.

Professional Behaviors:

PB1. Demonstrate professional, ethical PA practice to ensure safe patient care.

Clinical Reasoning and Problem-Solving Abilities:

CRPS1. Synthesize information acquired through a patient encounter to develop appropriate differential diagnoses.

CRPS2: Develop diagnostic plans based on the differential diagnosis.

CRPS3: Formulate evidence-based treatment plans appropriate to the working diagnosis.

CRPS4: Determine appropriate disposition based on patient acuity, including necessary consults and referrals.

Society and Population Health:

SPH1. Recognize social determinants of health and how they affect patient-centered care.

SPH2. Utilize preventative care measures to promote health.