

Transfer Credit and Articulation Agreement Information

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies Program

The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program does not accept transfer credits or experiential learning credits. CLEP credit, AP credit and Pass/Fail credit cannot be counted toward prerequisite coursework either. The program does not allow for advanced standing, regardless of previous graduate work in healthcare. All incoming students must complete the entire curriculum.

The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program has no articulation agreements, see below for memo of understanding (MOU).

Master of Science in Anatomy Program

Students may request transfer credit for previous graduate work completed at other regionally accredited (or equivalent) educational institutions. Additional information is outlined within the [Academic Catalog](#).

The Master of Science in Anatomy Program has no articulation agreements.

Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences Program

Students may request transfer credit for previous graduate work completed at other regionally accredited (or equivalent) educational institutions. Additional information is outlined within the [Academic Catalog](#).

The Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences program has an articulation agreement with Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Additional information can be found at <https://www.dmu.edu/admission/university-partnerships/>.

The MSBS program has an articulation agreement with Mercy College. Additional information can be found at: <https://www.dmu.edu/admission/university-partnerships/>

Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences Program

Students wishing to be considered for transfer into the Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences program must meet specific criteria as outlined in the [Academic Catalog](#).

A student may request transfer credit for previous graduate work completed at other regionally

accredited (or equivalent) educational institutions. The request should be submitted in writing to the Program Director who will carefully review the content of previous completed credits and forward the request to the Biomedical Sciences Coordinating Committee. Requests for transfer of credits can only be accepted once a student has matriculated in the program. Approved transfer credits will be entered on the student's permanent record by the Office of the Registrar. No more than 18.0 credit hours of approved graduate work will be applied toward the 86 credit hours required for the degree.

The Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences program has no articulation agreements.

Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Program

Students wishing to be considered for transfer into the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program must meet specific criteria as outlined in the [Academic Catalog](#).

Students who have completed coursework in the Master of Health Care Administration, Master of Public Health, Master of Science in Anatomy, Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences program and are accepted into the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine or Doctor of Podiatric Medicine program may petition to receive advanced standing for courses completed in those programs. A maximum of 12.0 advanced standing credit hours can be requested. Courses must have been completed within the last two years and students must have earned a minimum of a "B" grade in order to be considered for advanced standing credit. Credit is awarded after consultation with the Course Director, program director, and the Dean. While attendance in a course may be waived, tuition will continue to be charged at the program's current flat rate based on full-time or part-time enrollment in any given term.

The Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program has no articulation agreements.

Master of Health Care Administration Program

Students may request to transfer up to 12 hours of graduate credit from a previously attended, regionally accredited institution. Students who seek to transfer credit from another institution to meet a degree requirement must complete a [transfer credit request form](#) and submit to the Program Director for approval. If approved, the Office of the Registrar will post to the student's academic transcript. It is the responsibility of the student to provide to the Office of the Registrar an official transcript from the accredited university or college showing the course number and title, grade earned, and graduate credit received.

Criteria for acceptable transfer credit as follows:

- The student must have earned a minimum grade of "B-"
- P/F courses are accepted only if the credit-granting institution substantiates in writing that the grade of P was equivalent to a grade of "B-" or higher.
- Courses in which the student earned a grade of "Credit" or "CR" are not transferable.
- The course must have been taken within four (4) years prior to acceptance.
- Credit from a college or university using quarter hours will be converted to semester hours. One quarter hour is equivalent to 0.67 semester hour. The quarter-credit course may be approved by the program to fulfill a course requirement however the conversion may affect the student fulfilling the required credits for graduation. Transfer credit courses will appear on the student's transcript with a grade of "TC". The credit is not calculated into the student's GPA but is calculated into total credits earned.

For transfer credit replacing a course taken but failed in the program, the original grade of "F" will remain on the transcript and will be calculated into the GPA.

A student who wishes to appeal this policy may do so through the Dean of the College of Health Sciences.

For students pursuing a dual degree of DPT/MHA, three (3) credit hours for MHA 650 “Basic Statistics and Research” may be transferred from the clinical didactic coursework (so long as a grade of B- or above was earned) toward the MHA degree.

The Master of Health Care Administration program has articulation agreements with Drake University Law School and Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Additional information can be found at <https://www.dmu.edu/admission/university-partnerships/>.

Graduate Certificate in Executive Healthcare Leadership

The Graduate Certificate in Executive Healthcare Leadership does not accept transfer credits and has no articulation agreements.

Master of Public Health Program

Students may request to transfer up to 12 hours of graduate credit from a previously attended, regionally accredited institution. Students who seek to transfer credit from another institution to meet a degree requirement must complete a [transfer credit request form](#) and submit to the Program Director for approval. If approved, the Office of the Registrar will post to the student’s academic transcript. It is the responsibility of the student to provide to the Office of the Registrar an official transcript from the accredited university or college showing the course number and title, grade earned, and graduate credit received.

Criteria for acceptable transfer credit as follows:

- The student must have earned a minimum grade of “B-”
- P/F courses are accepted only if the credit-granting institution substantiates in writing that the grade of P was equivalent to a grade of “B-” or higher.
- Courses in which the student earned a grade of “Credit” or “CR” are not transferable.
- The course must have been taken within four (4) years prior to acceptance.

Credit from a college or university using quarter hours will be converted to semester hours. One quarter hour is equivalent to 0.67 semester hour. The quarter-credit course may be approved by the program to fulfill a course requirement however the conversion may affect the student fulfilling the required credits for graduation. Transfer credit courses will appear on the student’s transcript with a grade of “TC”. The credit is not calculated into the student’s GPA but is calculated into total credits earned.

For transfer credit replacing a course taken but failed in the program, the original grade of “F” will remain on the transcript and will be calculated into the GPA.

A student who wishes to appeal this policy may do so through the Dean of the College of Health Sciences.

For students pursuing a dual degree, up to 12 credit hours may be transferred from the clinical didactic coursework (so long as a grade of B- or above was earned) toward the MPH degree.

1. Three (3) hours of credit for MPH 656 – Public Health Biology
2. Six (6) hours of elective credit (e.g., 1105 Behavioral Medicine, 2124 Infectious Disease / Public Health). This elective credit option is only available for students who enrolled in the

MPH degree prior to 2018.

3. Three (3) credit hours for MPH 658 Internship or MPH 659 and 660 Integrated Learning Experience I and II or MPH 661 Public Health Applied Practice Experience during a student's clinical rotations if approved by both the MPH Internship Coordinator and the appropriate clinical coordinator/chair/associate dean of the student's primary program. All requirements of the MPH internship must still be met and students must receive approval for registration during the regular MPH registration period.

DPT/MPH dual degree students will receive three (3) credit hours for MPH 650 "Basic Statistics and Research".

The Master of Public Health program has articulation agreements with Drake University Law School and Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Additional information can be found at <https://www.dmu.edu/admission/university-partnerships/>.

Graduate Certificate in Public Health

The Graduate Certificate in Public Health program does not accept transfer credits and has no articulation agreements.

Doctor of Podiatric Medicine Program

Students wishing to be considered for transfer into the DPM program from another podiatric program must meet specific criteria as outlined in the [Academic Catalog](#).

Students who have completed coursework in the Master of Health Care Administration, Master of Public Health, Master of Science in Anatomy, Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences program and are accepted into the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine or Doctor of Podiatric Medicine program may petition to receive advanced standing for courses completed in those programs. A maximum of 12.0 advanced standing credit hours can be requested. Courses must have been completed within the last two years and students must have earned a minimum of a "B" grade in order to be considered for advanced standing credit. Credit is awarded after consultation with the Course Director, program director, and the Dean. While attendance in a course may be waived, tuition will continue to be charged at the program's current flat rate based on full-time or part-time enrollment in any given term.

The Doctor of Podiatric Medicine program has no articulation agreements.

Doctor of Physical Therapy Program

The Doctor of Physical Therapy program does not accept transfer credits and has no articulation agreements.

Memo of Understanding (MOU)

The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program has a memo of understanding (MOU) with South Dakota State University, SDSU, for admission purposes only. Due to diminished opportunities for medical training in the United States and a chronic shortage of providers and those providing care for underserved populations and medical missions, SDSU and DMU have created a program by which qualified students are offered an Interview Day at DMU in the Physician Assistant

Program by following a distinct academic protocol and by demonstrating high achievement

