The Direct Entry Physician Assistant (P.A.) Studies Pathway at Le Moyne College offers the opportunity for early acceptance to exceptional high school students wishing to accelerate their academic and career paths to become physician assistants. Accepted applicants will complete a Bachelor of Science degree in biological sciences and a Master of Science degree in physician assistant studies at Le Moyne College. Students have the option of following a 3+2 accelerated pathway or a 4+2 pathway, which allows students to take advantage of a fourth year to participate in a study abroad semester, academic minors, collegiate sports or other academic and personal growth experiences. The direct entry pathway to the P.A. Studies Program is competitive. Space is limited and is available only to first-year students.

### Admission Process

**Application Deadline for the Direct Entry PA Pathway**

**Nov. 15**

(All required documents must be received by this date.)

**Required Interviews**

By invitation only.

- Invitations extended no later than Dec. 1
- Interviews begin the week of Dec. 7.
- Final decision regarding admission made by the Direct Entry PA Program Admission Committee

**Decision Notifications (post interview)**

starting Dec. 15

### Minimum Requirements for Admission

**Grade Point Average (GPA):**

92 or 3.7

As a test optional school, Le Moyne does not require SAT/ACT test scores for admission. However, if you wish, we will review them as part of our holistic assessment. Only test scores that benefit you will be factored into our decision making process.

**Required High School Courses**

- Applicants must graduate from an accredited high school and must complete a minimum of 16 academic units from the following:
  - **English:** 4
  - **Foreign Language:** 3
  - **Mathematics:** minimum of 3 Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry
  - **Natural Science:** minimum of 3 Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry
  - **Social Studies:** minimum of 3

50 total hours of shadowing or patient contact documented by a supervisor by time of matriculation into Le Moyne College

Previous direct patient care/volunteer experiences will be beneficial for applicants at the time of the interview.

### Direct Entry Pathway

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CONTINUANCE IN THE DIRECT ENTRY PATHWAY TO THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES PROGRAM

Students must attain or exceed an overall grade-point average of 3.4. Two successive semesters below 3.4 or a cumulative grade-point average below 3.4 will constitute grounds for dismissal from the program.

Academic Prerequisites
Participants must be enrolled in a Bachelor of Science program in biological sciences and must complete the required courses by Aug. 1 of their fourth year of enrollment at Le Moyne College.

Patient Contact Experience
Participants must complete a minimum of 750 direct patient contact hours prior to Aug. 15 of their fourth year of enrollment at Le Moyne College. The appropriate value of the 50 hours experienced prior to first semester studies will be included in the 750 hours that are required.

Moral and Ethical Fitness
During all phases of the program, a student must remain in good moral and ethical standing appropriate to the pursuit of a career as a physician assistant and eventual licensure. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the program.

After beginning study as a first-year student in the Direct Entry P.A. Pathway at Le Moyne College, students have a binding agreement with the institution and program and may not apply to other P.A. studies programs.