

## Program Overview

12 month duration

### Five Pillars:

- Didactics
- Clinicals
- Research & Scholarly Activity
- Monthly Group Lecture
- Teaching

## Department of Physician Assistant Studies

### About Us

Started in 1974 as one of the early PA programs in the nation. July 1st 2019 we became our own department within the College of Health Sciences at the University of Kentucky

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## PA Academic Residency Program

### UK Healthcare

- Acute Care Surgery & Trauma ..... 1 slot
- Critical Care ..... 2 slot
- Hospital Medicine ..... 2 slot
- Neurology ..... 2 slot

### Baptist Health in Lexington

- General Surgery ..... 2 slot

### Baptist Health in Louisville

- Cardiac Surgery ..... 1 slot
- General Surgery ..... 1 slot

### Baptist Health in Hardin

- Internal Medicine/Pediatrics ..... 1 slot

### St. Elizabeth Healthcare

- General Surgery ..... 2 slot

### St. Claire Healthcare in Morehead

- Hospital Medicine ..... 1 slot

### King's Daughters in Ashland

- Cardiology ..... 1 slot

## Post-Graduate Education

# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ACADEMIC RESIDENCY PROGRAM

*UK CHS Department of Physician  
Assistant Studies*

Healthcare in America is a multifaceted human endeavor delivered by a team of professionals. Physician Assistants have been a valuable member of this team since the 1970's. As the practice of medicine has evolved, so has the role of the Physician Assistant. Today, hospitals prefer to hire trained, job-ready PAs. In response to this need, the College of Health Sciences under the leadership of Dean Lephart initiated a post-graduate PA residency training program. Dr. Sibuh Saha, the Medical Director of the UK Physician Assistant Master's degree program, was asked by the Dean to lead the task of building a post graduate education program for the Department of PA Studies.



### Why PA Academic Residency Program?

- To educate and prepare PA graduates for transition into specialty practice
- Meeting the community needs for Advanced Care Providers (ACP)
- To prepare the individual to be a team player in a specialty-focused medical care in USA

### Benefits of Completing a Residency Program:

- Competitive Advantage in Employment
- Higher Competency in Specialized Practice
- Increased Confidence in Judgment and Technical Abilities

### Collaboration for Education

Our goal is to collaborate with hospitals across Kentucky to train PAs to meet the future need. We are considering developing residency programs in orthopedic surgery, family medicine, and other areas of medicine as needed.

Due to our success of the program, we have begun dialogues with other community hospitals who have expressed interest in participating in the program.

### Current PA Residents



*“Many employers prefer to hire residency-trained PAs.”*

