

UND Department of Physician Assistant Studies

Assessment of Program Goals

1. Provide a comprehensive academic and clinical educational experience for students and achieve first-time PANCE scores at or above the national average and aggregate scores at 100%.

a. Evaluation of student, preceptor, graduate, and employer survey data in competency areas of medical knowledge, patient care, interpersonal and communication skills, and professionalism (Classes of 2018-2022):

	Student Self Assessments		Preceptor Evaluation	Graduate Survey
	9-month	Graduation	Average	Assessed after 1 year
Medical Knowledge	3.14	3.99	4.17	4.25
Patient Care	3.24	4.19	4.28	4.28
Interpersonal & Communication Skills	4.00	4.66	4.68	4.21
Professionalism	4.25	4.70	4.66	4.45
Practice-Based Learning	n/a	n/a	n/a	4.18
Systems-Based Practice	n/a	n/a	n/a	4.25

b. Students have a comprehensive clinical experience as evidenced by individual and cumulative review of case and time log data to include patient types, setting types, and systems. This includes, but is not limited to: preventative, emergent, acute and chronic patient encounters; pediatric, adult and geriatric ages; outpatient, emergency department, inpatient and operating room settings.

c. Critical Step Exam Scores (Classes of 2018-2022):

- i. Comprehensive Objective Exam Score: 86.33%
- ii. PANCE Pass rate (1st time/aggregate Class): 91.5%/98.7%
 - Five-Year National First Time Taker Average: 94.2%

d. Graduation Rate (Classes of 2018-2022):

- i. Graduation Rate (past 5 years): 87.7%
- ii. Attrition Rate (past 5 years): 12.3%

2. Prepare graduates to be lifelong learners in clinical medicine.

- a. Scholarly Project (Classes of 2018-2022)
 - i. Completion (past 5 years): 100%
 - ii. Average Score (past 5 years): 94%
- b. Students gain a basic understanding of research methods and statistical analysis to improve comprehension of medical research studies and incorporate findings into clinical practice. Average scores from graduate survey data (Classes of 2018-2022): 3.88
- c. Student Attendance at the North Dakota Academy of Physician Assistant Conference
 - i. Each year students attend the North Dakota Academy of Physician Assistant Conference.
 - ii. Each year eight students of the graduating class are selected to present their scholarly project posters at the conference.

3. Prepare graduates to meet primary care workforce needs.

- a. 32-35 weeks of supervised clinical practice experiences in primary care settings
- b. 100% of students have rotations in rural or underserved clinical settings
- c. Graduates in the past 5 years practicing in primary care: 45.2%
- d. Graduates in the past 5 years practicing in rural areas: 44.5%
- e. Graduates in the past 5 years practicing in underserved areas: 41.9%

4. Develop a culture of community involvement by providing service opportunities

- a. 100% of students participate in community service opportunities in their home communities through the Professional Issues and Role Development courses.