Pre-Physician Assistant Course Requirements

Please note that admission requirements to physician assistant school vary GREATLY between schools. Be aware of the courses required by the schools to which you will be applying.

Understand that the pre-physician assistant core requirements may be different than your chosen major requirements. It is required that you meet with advisors from both your major area and the pre-professional program every semester.

Student Name: ___________________________  Student Major: ___________________________
Student ID #: ___________________________  Cumulative GPA: __________________________

Math:
MATH 1314 (College Alg)
MATH 1342 (Statistics)
OR
PSYC 2317 (Psyc Stats)

Chemistry:
CHEM 1311/1111 (Chem I)
CHEM 1312/1112 (Chem II)
CHEM 3311/3111 (O Chem I)
CHEM 3312/3112 (O Chem II)
(At least 1 semester recommended by all schools; UTSA req 2 semesters.)
*CHEM 3415 (Gen BioChem)
OR
*CHEM 4411 (BioChem)
(required by UTSA; rec by UTSW; UTPA requires this or 3311/3111)

Biology:
BIOL 2401 (A & P I)
BIOL 2402 (A & P II)
BIOL 2420 (Intro Micro)
*BIOI 1406 (Gen Biol I)
(required by UTMB, UTSA, UTPA and Texas Tech)
*BIOI 1407 (Gen Biol II)
(required by UTMB, UTSA, UTPA and Texas Tech)
*BIOI 3470 (Genetics)
(required by UTMB, UTSA, UTSW, UTPA, and Texas Tech)
*BIOI 4405 (Immunology)
(UTMB requires this; UNT requires this or BIOI 3470; recommended by UTSW)
*BIOI 4470 (Cell Biology)
(rec by UTSW)
*BIOI 1102 (Med Term)
(required by Texas Tech; recommended by UTSW and UTPA)

English:
ENGL 1301 (Comp I)
ENGL 1302 (Comp II)

General Education:
PSYC 2301 (Gen Psyc)
(required by most schools)
SOCI 1301 (Gen Soci)
COMM 1315
*COSC 1371
(required by Texas Tech)
*FCSC 1322 (Nutrition)
(required by Texas Tech)
*PSYC elective
(required by Texas Tech and Baylor)

* Most PA schools encourage students to take foreign language courses (particularly Spanish) and upper-level science courses as additional recommendations. In addition, admissions committees look for students to prove academic rigor, superior work ethic, altruism, and a strong desire to become a PA.