



# Physician Assistant Studies Program

## Mission, Vision and Goals

### Spring 2019

## **Mission**

Our PA Program educates and empowers resilient graduates to practice collaborative, evidence-based medicine in the ever-changing and diverse health care environment.

## **Vision**

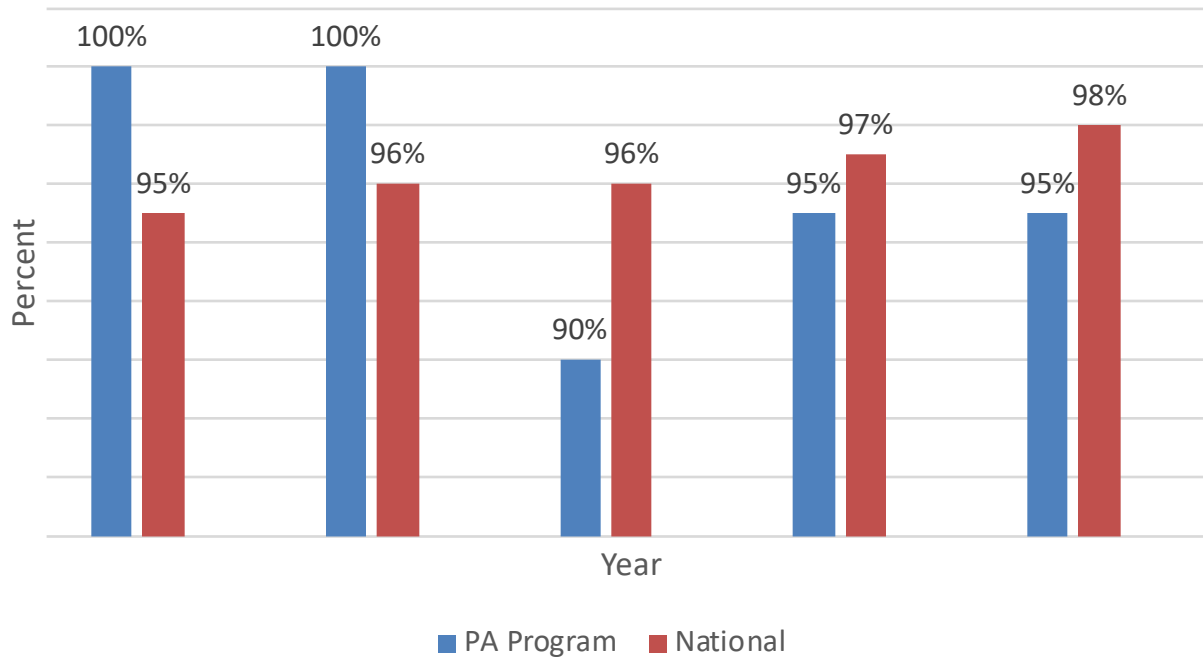
Our PA Program is renowned for unparalleled legacy and excellence in PA education and leadership in developing innovative approaches to interprofessional practice.

# Goals and Outcomes

- Goal 1: The program will maintain a PANCE pass rate of above 95% with each graduating class.
- Progress and Successes
  - PANCE pass rate for first time takers for 2018 was 95%
  - Average PANCE pass rate for the past 5 years for first time takers is 96%

# Goal 1 Outcomes

PA Program PANCE Scores Compared to National PANCE Scores for First Time Takers 2014-2018



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- Goal 2: The program will achieve re-accreditation by ARC-PA in 2023 and will maintain this accreditation in subsequent years.
- Progress and Successes
  - Convened faculty and staff retreat to review 4<sup>th</sup> edition of ARC-PA Standards to assess continued compliance
  - Established a Standards Review Committee
  - Assigned faculty and staff to track on-going status and compliance

# Goals and Outcomes

- Goal 3: The program will enhance and strengthen the admissions process to create a diverse student population that is more reflective of the community we serve by the 2021-2022 admissions cycle.
- Progress and Successes
  - Convened Admissions Committee to identify areas for changes in the admissions process
  - Researching approach to develop a holistic admissions process

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- Goal 4: The program will increase the opportunities for our students to experience interprofessional, collaborative experiences by the end of the 2020 academic year.
- Progress and Successes
  - Established an Interprofessional Education Committee

# Goal 4 Outcomes (Cont'd)

- Progress and Successes (Cont'd)
  - Students and faculty participated in the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) Towson University Open School Chapter learning events
  - Year 2 students participated in geriatric assessment interprofessional training (GAIT)
  - Conducted PA Program and Paramedic Program obstetrical simulation with over 65 students working together on normal deliveries and obstetrical emergencies



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- Goal 5: The program will maintain its graduation rate of 95%.
- Progress and Successes
  - Graduation rates have been 95% to 97.7% over the past 3 years

Year	Number of Graduating Students	Number of Students in the Class	Graduation Percentage
2016	35	36	97%
2017	41	43	95%
2018	43	44	97.7%