



# MERCYHURST

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## Assistant Professor of Physician Assistant Studies

### POSITION SUMMARY

The Mercyhurst University Department of Physician Assistant Studies invites applications for a full-time, 12-month principal faculty position. As principal faculty the position requires the individual to work closely with senior faculty to ensure the program meets and exceeds the Accreditation Standards set forth by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) while preparing physician assistant students to be leaders in the profession, proficient in meeting the challenges of healthcare, and provide compassionate, quality care to the diverse communities in which they serve.

The principal faculty position provides the opportunity to be involved primarily in the clinical education phase of the program but support the didactic education phase with teaching in areas of clinical and/or professional expertise. The candidate will also participate in on-going program assessment and evaluation, advising, and departmental committee work. For clinically practicing applicants the position allows for four days to work within the Department of Physician Assistant Studies and one day per week for clinical practice or professional advancement.

### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Key job elements for the clinical education phase of the program include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting the Clinical Director with oversight of all aspects of clinical education.
- Coordinating and monitoring clinical rotation sites and schedules.
- Recruitment, development and retention of clinical sites and preceptors.
- Establishing affiliation agreements with new clinical sites.
- Development, implementation, and assessment of academic performance evaluations within the clinical phase.
- Participate in all call back days for clinical students.

The position will also be responsible for providing instruction in the didactic phase of the program. The successful applicant will support the Mercy mission. Scholarship and service to the university, community, and profession is expected.

## **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE**

- Graduation from an accredited physician assistant program or medical school.
- Master's degree at minimum for PA or MD or DO for physician.
- NCCPA certification or certified by an ABMS or AOA approved specialty board.
- Experience in physician assistant or medical education preferred.
- Experience as a practicing physician assistant or physician preferred.
- Excels in networking and negotiating and demonstrates professional communication both oral and written.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Hiring is contingent on successful background check and required clearances.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled or until date indicated above. Applicants should submit via email a (1) letter of interest including a brief description of teaching/precepting experience, (2) curriculum vitae, and (3) list of three references to Human Resources at [hrinfo@mercyhurst.edu](mailto:hrinfo@mercyhurst.edu) or mail to

Human Resources  
Mercyhurst University  
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**Candidates must be currently eligible to work in the United States.**