



Student Employment While in the Program Policy

Outside Activities and Work Schedules

The PA curriculum has been designed to be a full-time activity for the student. It consists of a very demanding course load. There may also be special seminars and guest lecturers, occasionally scheduled on short notice. We will often need to adjust the set schedule to accommodate our lecturers' professional needs. Students are expected to have the flexibility to adjust their schedule and be available during these times. Outside employment will not be accepted as an excuse for missing program activities.

PA students must not substitute for or function as instructional faculty in the Northwestern College PA program and are not required to work for the PA program. Students may not substitute for clinical or administrative staff during supervised clinical practice experiences.

In summary, the PA student should expect to be available for educational opportunities Monday through Friday, 7 am–9 pm. In rare instances, Saturday morning sessions may be scheduled. During clinical rotations, students are expected to be available to work the same hours as their preceptor. Individual rotations and sites will have varied schedule requirements.