

## **Tools & Supplies List with Estimated Costs**

**Physician Assistant Studies** 

## **School of Nursing and Health Sciences**

PAC 101 570-327-4779

First Year (Didactic Phase)	
Textbooks (Required)*	\$1,500
Laptop Computer (Required)	\$1,000-
<ul> <li>See link for recommended configuration/specifications:</li> </ul>	\$1,500
https://mypct.pct.edu/Schools/NursingAndHealthSciences/Shared%20Documents/PA-	
<u>Laptop-Requirements.pdf</u>	
White Lab Coats (Required)* Must purchase from The College Store	\$70
<ul> <li>1 short white lab coat with PCT PA patch &amp; embroidery for community events</li> </ul>	
• 1 long white lab coat (with or without embroidery, no patch required) for cadaver lab	
PCT PA Navy Blue Surgical Scrubs (Required)* Must purchase from The College Store	\$36/each
PCT PA Navy Blue Polo Shirts (Required)* Must purchase from The College Store	\$30/each
Analog watch with second hand (Required)*	\$40
Medical Kit, includes the following required items:	\$664
Nylon Medical Equipment Bag	
<ul> <li>Welch Allyn 71-SS2CXX 3.5V Classic Diagnostic Set w/ NiCad Power Handle</li> </ul>	
3M Littman Cardiology IV Stethoscope	
Adult Blood Pressure Cuff*	
• Set of Tuning Forks (128 Hz & 512 Hz)*	
Reflex Hammer*	
Bandage Scissors*	
Pocket Snellen Eye Chart*	
Pen Light with Pupil Gauge*	
• Flexible Measuring Tape*	
6-inch Protractor Goniometer*	
• Monofilament*	
Pregnancy Wheel*	
• Safety Glasses*	
Medical Kit can be purchased as a single package and shipped directly to the PA Program office	
via The Medical Store for \$664. Students are not required to use this vendor, but they must	
purchase all items listed.	
SimSuture Learning System (Required): <a href="https://sim-vivo.com/simsuture.html">https://sim-vivo.com/simsuture.html</a>	\$60
AHA Basic Life Support (BLS) Healthcare Provider Certification (Required)	\$100
<ul> <li>Must have a hands-on/in-person component.</li> </ul>	
Can be purchased from vendor of your choice.	
Pennsylvania State Criminal Clearance (Required): <a href="https://epatch.pa.gov">https://epatch.pa.gov</a>	\$22
Pennsylvania Child Abuse Clearance (Required):	\$13
https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home	
FBI Fingerprinting (Required): <a href="https://uenroll.identogo.com/">https://uenroll.identogo.com/</a>	\$26

PA Program Fee**, covers the following:	\$1,550
2-Year AAPA Student Membership	
• 2-Year PSPA Student Membership	
ACLS & PALS Certifications	
Online Student Learning Resources	
<ul> <li>PAEA assessments (Student Exam Box<sup>TM</sup> + additional PACKRAT)</li> </ul>	
Health Insurance (Required)	Varies
Physical Exam, Immunizations/Titers, Two-step PPD, Annual Influenza Vaccination, COVID	Varies
Vaccination, and Drug Testing (Required)	
<ul> <li>Can be obtained from College Health Services or personal primary care provider.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Drug testing must be completed at College Health Services.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Must use Penn College <u>NHS Immunization/Physical Exam Form</u>.</li> </ul>	
On-campus housing (Optional)	\$4,602-
<ul> <li>Varies based on dorm style and number of roommates.</li> </ul>	\$5,156
<ul> <li><a href="https://www.pct.edu/campus-life/campus-housing/on-campus-housing-costs">https://www.pct.edu/campus-life/campus-housing/on-campus-housing-costs</a></li> </ul>	
Full College Dining Plan (Optional)	\$2,152
Based on 14 meals/week plan.	
• <a href="https://www.pct.edu/student-life/dining/dining-plans">https://www.pct.edu/student-life/dining/dining-plans</a>	

Second Year (Clinical Phase)	
White Lab Coats (Required)* Must purchase from The College Store	\$70
• 1 short white lab coat with PCT PA patch & embroidery for clinical rotations	
• 1 long white lab coat (no patch or embroidery) for White Coat Ceremony	
AHA Basic Life Support (BLS) Healthcare Provider Certification (Required)	\$100
<ul> <li>Must have a hands-on/in-person component.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Can be purchased from vendor of your choice.</li> </ul>	
• Do not need to repeat if card from didactic year remains valid through entire clinical year.	
Physical Exam, Immunizations/Titers, Two-step PPD, Annual Influenza Vaccination, COVID	Varies
Vaccination, and Drug Testing (Required)	
<ul> <li>Can be obtained from College Health Services or personal primary care provider.</li> </ul>	
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PA Program Fee**, covers the following:	\$4,950
PANCE-Style Question Bank	
Clinical Site Registration Fee	
Clinical Rotation Fees	
Summer PANCE Board Review Course Through a National Third-Party Vendor	
Student Malpractice Insurance (Required)	\$150
<ul> <li>Students have traditionally used CM&amp;F but can purchase from any vendor.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Program will provide required liability limits prior to student purchase.</li> </ul>	
Health Insurance (Required)	Varies
Off-campus Room, Board, & Travel	Varies

- All housing, meal, and transportation costs associated with Clinical Year are student's responsibility.
- Costs vary by clinical rotation site. Historically, students have reported spending between \$1,000-\$1,500 per rotation on room, board, & travel.
- Student must have personal vehicle and will be required to complete daily travel to and from clinical rotation sites as well as return to campus for testing and program activities between each rotation.
- All students should anticipate some rotations occurring more than two hours away from campus.

## **Important Notes:**

Please note, all prices are only approximations and actual costs may vary.

A list of required textbooks will be distributed to students via email prior to the start of the semester. Students may purchase these books through The College Store or an outside vendor of their choice. Purchasing used books may help keep costs down. If purchased through The College Store, students may be able to utilize financial aid funds to cover part (or all) of their textbook expenses. Digital copies of some required textbooks may be available to Penn College PA students no cost via the College's subscription to <a href="AccessMedicine">AccessMedicine</a> through the Madigan Library. Traditionally, students have not been asked to purchase additional textbooks during Clinical Year, as the books purchased for Didactic Year will also be used throughout the Clinical Year. Should additional texts be required, students will be notified prior to the start of the respective semester.

All students will be required to have a personal laptop computer. The program does not require you to purchase a particular brand/model of laptop; however, the program has provided a list of highly recommended minimum specifications that students should consider when purchasing their laptop.

Successful completion of the program necessitates the purchase of specific medical equipment. The program has partnered with The Medical Store to provide some of the supplies as a bundled package at a discounted cost. Students are not required to purchase equipment from The Medical Store; however, students are required to purchase all items listed.

The program utilizes PAEA exam products to assess student learning and aid in curriculum improvement processes. The program will purchase a PAEA Student Exam Box<sup>TM</sup> on each student's behalf prior to the start of the Clinical Year and will purchase a remediation PACKRAT on an as-needed basis. PAEA Student Exam Box<sup>TM</sup> is non-transferable, and any unused exams purchased through this bundle remain the property of PAEA in the event of student withdrawal, dismissal, or successful completion of the PA program. For more information regarding the PAEA Student Exam Box<sup>TM</sup>, please see <a href="https://paeaonline.org/wp-content/uploads/imported-files/paea-assessment-student-exam-box-20200102.pdf">https://paeaonline.org/wp-content/uploads/imported-files/paea-assessment-student-exam-box-20200102.pdf</a>

List was revised April 2023 and is applicable to students entering the program August 2023.

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes items available for purchase through The College Store: <u>www.penncollegebooks.com</u>

<sup>\*\*</sup> Denotes costs included in PA Program Fees associated with specific courses occurring each semester. These program fees are listed as a separate item on the tuition bill and will be assessed as follows: \$125 Didactic Fall, \$360 Didactic Spring, \$1,065 Didactic Summer, \$1,950 Clinical Fall, \$1,500 Clinical Spring, and \$1,500 Clinical Summer.