



Charles R. Drew University of Medicine & Science
College of Science & Health
Physician Assistant Program

Student Work Policy

Due to the academic rigor and commitment required for successful completion of the program, students are strongly discouraged from working or employment while enrolled in the PA program. Students intending to undertake employment while enrolled are required to meet with and receive prior written documentation from the Program Director. Employment while enrolled in the program without prior documentation is considered unprofessional behavior and will be referred to the Student Support and Progression Committee (SSPC) for disciplinary action, which may result in warning, probation, or dismissal from the program. Despite documentation from the PA Program Director acknowledging employment while in the program, students are expected to attend all scheduled classes and fulfill all stated activities of the program. Students may not switch classes, labs, special assignments, or clinical rotations to accommodate their work schedule. If a student's academic, clinical performance, or professionalism behavior falls below the minimum program standard, the Program Director may recommend that the student terminate employment within a specified time frame. This recommendation will be made in writing and placed in the student's file. Students will not be required nor permitted to work for the Charles R. Drew University Physician Assistant Program (ARC-PA A3.04). Additionally, students may not function as an instructor, administrative staff, or clinical staff in the PA program or clinical sites (ARC-PA A3.05).

Students who fail to comply with the Student Work Policy will be referred to SSPC for disciplinary action, which may result in warning, probation, or dismissal.