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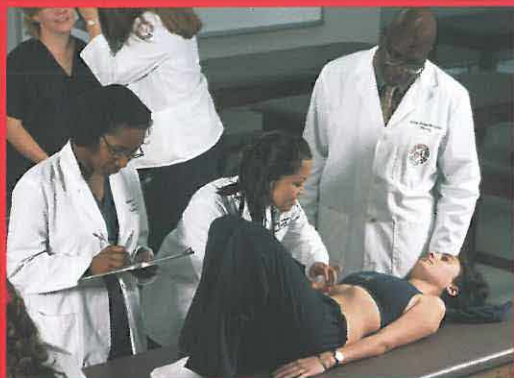
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# nova southeastern university

Nova Southeastern University, synonymous with dynamic innovation and intellectual challenge, is the largest independent not-for-profit university in the southeast, and with an enrollment of approximately 21,000 students, is the 12th largest in the United States. Situated on a beautiful 300-acre campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the university is experiencing a sustained period of academic growth, fiscal strength, and commitment to the challenges of the 21st century.

In this environment of expansion and stability, the university is capitalizing on its strengths in such areas as academic innovation, comprehensive clinical training, and flexible educational delivery systems.

Founded in 1964 as Nova University, the institution merged with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences in 1994, creating Nova Southeastern University. To date, the institution has graduated more than 74,000 alumni. Fully accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the university awards associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees in a wide range of fields including the health professions, law, business, marine sciences, psychology, social sciences, computer and information sciences, and education.

The university's programs are administered through 15 academic centers that offer courses at the main campus and at field-based locations throughout Florida; across the nation; and at selected international sites in Europe, Canada, the Pacific Rim, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

With a budget of more than \$220 million per year and an upward trend in enrollment, the university will continue to maintain a solid record of academic and fiscal strength and excellence in teaching and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship.



## nsu mission statement

**Nova Southeastern University is a dynamic, not-for-profit independent institution dedicated to providing high-quality educational programs of distinction from preschool through the professional and doctoral levels, as well as service to the community. Nova Southeastern University prepares students for lifelong learning and leadership roles in business and the professions. It offers academic programs at times convenient to students, employing innovative delivery systems and rich learning resources on campus and at distant sites. The university fosters inquiry, research, and creative professional activity by uniting faculty and students in acquiring and applying knowledge in clinical, community, and professional settings.**



# health professions division

As a student in the Health Professions Division of Nova Southeastern University, you can anticipate a remarkable experience. You will train, study, interact, and share faculty and resources (either campus-based or online) with students from various backgrounds and disciplines. This interdisciplinary approach distinguishes the Health Professions Division as unique and will better prepare you to master your discipline with a sensitivity and understanding of the entire health care system.

The Health Professions Division, with a student body of more than 2,500, is home to six colleges. The College of Osteopathic Medicine, the first one in the southeastern United States, grants the doctor of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degree. The College of Osteopathic Medicine also awards the master of public health degree (M.P.H.). The College of Pharmacy offers the doctor of pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree to traditional, international, and postbaccalaureate students. The College of Optometry is the only institution in the state of Florida that awards the doctor of optometry (O.D.) degree as well as the master in clinical vision research (M.S.). The College of Allied Health and Nursing offers a bachelor of science in nursing, a dual-degree physician assistant program that awards the bachelor of science/master of medical science (B.S./M.M.S.) degrees, and a master of occupational therapy degree (M.O.T.), as well as the entry-level doctor of physical therapy (D.P.T.) degree. Doctoral programs are also offered in occupational therapy

(Ph.D./O.T., O.T.D.), physical therapy (Ph.D./P.T., D.P.T.), and audiology (Au.D.). In addition to these programs, the College of Allied Health and Nursing offers the master of medical science (M.M.S.), the bachelor of health science (B.H.Sc.), and doctor of health science (D.H.Sc.) degrees open to midlevel



clinicians and allied health professionals. The College of Medical Sciences grants the master of biomedical sciences (M.B.S.) degree. In the fall of 1997, the College of Dental Medicine admitted its charter class into the doctor of dental medicine (D.M.D.) program.

The Health Professions Division occupies a \$70 million complex, covering 21 acres of the university campus. The division includes eight buildings totaling more than 900,000 square feet of space for classrooms, laboratories, offices, the Health Professions Division Library, an outpatient health center, and a pharmaceutical care center. The adjacent 1,500-vehicle parking garage overlooks the Miami Dolphins Training Camp.

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## letter from the chancellor



If you wish to be a leader in the health professions, Nova Southeastern University can help you reach your potential.

The Health Professions Division is unique in that it has been developed as an interdisciplinary educational center from its inception. The division was founded on the concept that the interdisciplinary approach to education is beneficial to students of all professions, and by preparing students to work effectively with health care providers from different fields, barriers are broken and patient care is enhanced.

In less than two decades, NSU's Health Professions Division has developed into a multidisciplinary academic health center of international stature. Composed of the Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Dental Medicine, Optometry, Allied Health and Nursing, and Medical Sciences, the Health Professions Division has redoubled its commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship. Working together, our distinguished faculty members prepare students for an exciting career on tomorrow's dynamic health care team.

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Morton Terry, D.O., M.Sc., FACOI  
Chancellor





# physician assistants— extending the health care team

Back in the mid-1960s, physicians and educators recognized the need for a new medical professional who would team up with physicians. These professionals were called Physician Assistants (PAs).

Today, nearly 51,000 individuals are eligible to practice as physician assistants in the United States. PAs practice medicine with physician supervision, providing patient care that otherwise would be performed by physicians. PAs take medical histories, perform physical examinations, order and interpret tests, diagnose and treat illnesses, perform medical/surgical procedures, assist in surgeries, and in most states, write prescriptions.

The PA profession is one of the fastest growing health care professions. The U.S. Department of Labor projects that the number of jobs for PAs will increase by 43 percent through the year 2010.

As governments grapple with the problems of providing quality medical care in a cost-effective manner, one solution is the team approach to health care—a team that includes physician assistants. It is the obligation of each Physician/PA team to ensure that the PA's scope of practice is identified; that delegation of medical tasks is appropriate to the PA's level of competence; that the relationship of, and access to, the supervising physician is defined; and that a process of performance evaluation is established. Adequate responsible supervision of the PA contributes to both high-quality patient care and professional growth.

## nsu physician assistant department mission statement

- to provide a primary care training program designed for, and dedicated to, producing competent physician assistants who will provide quality health care in rural, urban, underserved, and culturally diverse communities
- to increase the accessibility of quality health care in the primary care setting
- to prepare students for lifelong learning and leadership roles
- to promote the physician assistant profession



## letter from the dean



The health care marketplace is undergoing rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide the educational programs for future health care professionals.

Nova Southeastern University's College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing the highest quality of education to students in a variety of health care disciplines, including occupational therapy, physical therapy, and physician assistant studies, as well as audiology and the newly added nursing program. In addition, the college is committed to a life-long learning philosophy through the Master of Medical Science Program, the Ph.D. in physical therapy, and the O.T.D. and Ph.D. in occupational therapy, as well as the recent additions of the bachelor of health science (B.H.Sc.), doctor of health science (D.H.Sc.), and transitional doctor of physical therapy (T.-D.P.T.). These new degrees for practicing health care professionals are delivered through the use of innovative distance technology.

The Physician Assistant Department offers a program that can be completed in 27 months. The program has an emphasis on primary care, with students completing appropriate clinical rotations throughout the state of Florida. Upon successful completion of the program, students graduate with a dual degree bachelor of science in physician assistant studies and master of medical science (B.S./M.M.S.). Graduates are able to provide a number of health care services, allowing a greater number of patients access to care.

The College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing health care educational opportunities in formats that meet the needs of prospective students in the community and adequately prepare graduates to assume greater leadership roles in health care delivery systems.

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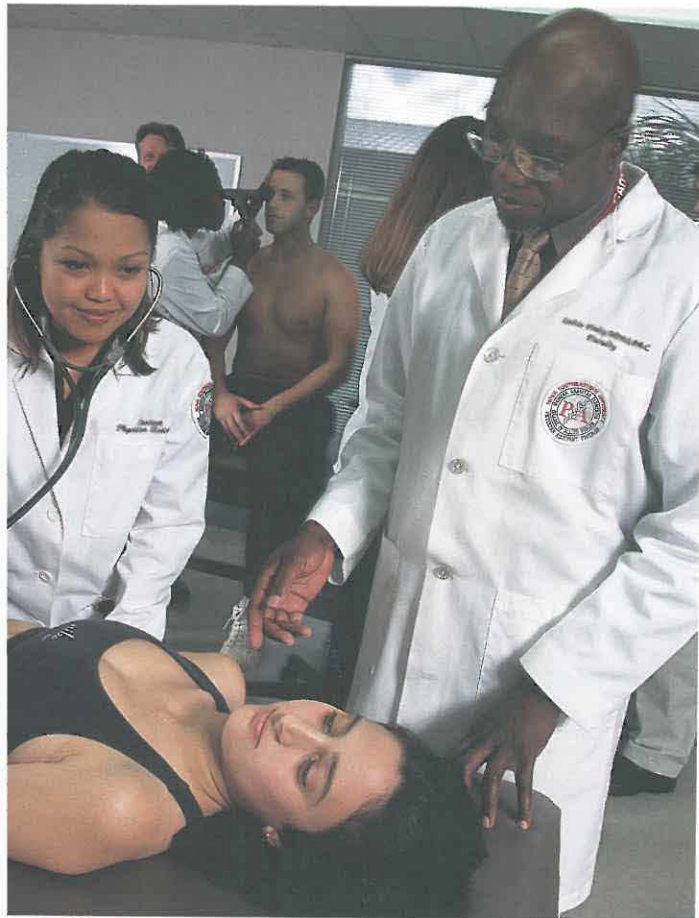
Richard E. Davis, PA-C, Ed.D.  
Dean, College of Allied Health and Nursing



# the physician assistant program

## Course of Study

The Physician Assistant Program curriculum is completed following a minimum of 90 semester hours of undergraduate coursework, of which 30 semester hours (or equivalent quarter hours) must be upper division.\* The comprehensive curriculum, completed in a consecutive manner, is oriented to primary care and prepares the student to practice in a wide variety of clinical settings.



The first 14 months of study consist of basic sciences and clinically related didactic courses. All courses are required and must be successfully completed before advancing to the clinical year. During this timeframe, students are generally in class from Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., although there are occasional evening and/or weekend hours.

Due to the highly integrated and compact curriculum, the department requires matriculants to complete the

entire program. However, individual requests for advanced placement, transfer of credit, or credit for experiential learning will be reviewed in line with the college requirements.

The clinical year is devoted to thirteen months of clinical training with required clinical rotations in family medicine, emergency medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, surgery, and internal medicine. The students also complete three elective rotations, for a total of nine clinical rotations. The required subject rotations and two of the elective rotations are six weeks in length. The remaining elective rotation is four weeks in length.

Each required rotation has assigned readings and learning objectives. At the end of each required rotation, a written comprehensive subject examination is administered and must be passed. During rotations, students will be supervised by licensed practitioners and will actively participate in patient assessments, perform common laboratory procedures, interpret common diagnostic examinations, and help manage common medical problems. The work hours during clinical rotations are set by the preceptor and can include evening and weekend hours. Students are required to work a minimum of 40 hours per week; however, many rotation sites require students to work up to 100 hours per week.

Upon completion of the course of study, students will have earned a bachelor of science (B.S.) in the Physician Assistant Program and a master of medical science degree (M.M.S.).

The role of the physician assistant requires a high level of expertise and responsibility. The applicant must possess the ability and desire to complete a rigorous academic and clinical program and make a commitment to continued learning.

\*Upper division is defined as a course number beginning with a 3 or a 4.



# physician assistant program faculty

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The NSU Physician Assistant Department is accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission for Physician Assistants, Inc. (ARC-PA). The NSU Physician Assistant Department has enjoyed continuing accreditation since its inception. The department is a member of the Association of Physician Assistant Programs.

Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, Telephone number: 404-679-4501) to award associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees. ■ Nova Southeastern University admits students of any race, color, sex, age, nondisqualifying disability, religion or creed, or national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school, and does not discriminate in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.



# curriculum outline

## dual degree B.S./M.M.S. • physician assistant department

Start Date . . . . . June 2004

Length . . . . . 27 months

Degree . . . . . B.S./M.M.S.

Didactic . . . . . 14 months (Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.  
and occasional evenings/weekends)

Clinical . . . . . 13 months (Monday–Sunday, various hours, set by preceptor)

### first semester: summer I (june–august)

Course #	Course Title	Lecture	Lab	Credit Hours
ANA 5420	Anatomy	55	38	5
PHS 5400	Physiology	54	n/a	3
PAC 5400	Clinical Pathophysiology	64	n/a	3
PAC 5000	Physical Diagnosis I	42	20	3
PAC 5002	Medical Terminology	4	14	1
PCO 5300	Biomedical Principles	18	n/a	1
PAC 5001	Introduction to the PA Profession	16	n/a	1
PAC 5003	Fundamentals of Medical Radiology	18	n/a	1
TOTAL HOURS		271	72	18

### second semester: fall (september–december)

Course #	Course Title	Lecture	Lab	Credit Hours
MIC 5400	Microbiology	45	n/a	3
MMS 5404	Legal and Ethical Issues in Health Care	45	n/a	3
PAC 5100	Physical Diagnosis II	20	36	2
PCO 5400	Pharmacology I	38	n/a	2
PAC 5110	Clinical Medicine and Surgery I	112	n/a	6
PAC 5130	Clinical Laboratory Medicine I	20	4	1
MMS 5420	Epidemiology/Biostatistics in Health Care	45	n/a	3
TOTAL HOURS		325	40	20



### third semester: winter (january–may)

Course #	Course Title	Lecture	Lab	Credit Hours
PAC 5200	Physical Diagnosis III	60	40	5
PAC 5131	Clinical Laboratory Medicine II	32	n/a	2
PAC 5210	Clinical Medicine and Surgery II	120	n/a	8
PAC 5310	Clinical Medicine and Surgery III	112	n/a	7
PAC 5311	Clinical Psychiatry	45	n/a	3
PAC 5229	Electrocardiography	18	4	1
PCO 5410	Pharmacology II	72	n/a	4
MMS 5406	Cultural Issues in Health Care	45	n/a	2
MMS 5422	Research Methodology	45	n/a	3
TOTAL HOURS		549	44	35

### fourth semester: summer II (advanced didactic: june–july)

Course #	Course Title	Lecture	Lab	Credit Hours
MMS 5401	Rural and Underserved Medicine	15	n/a	1
MMS 5410	Complementary Medicine and Nutrition	30	n/a	2
MMS 5412	Publication Skills and Medical Research	24	45	3
MMS 5460	Life Support Procedures and Skills	24	40	3
PAC 5006	Health Care Delivery Systems	15	n/a	1
PAC 5129	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	22	n/a	1
PAC 5510	Clinical Procedures and Surgical Skills	44	24	3
TOTAL HOURS		174	109	14

### clinical curriculum: second year (august–august)

Course #	Course Title	Weeks/Contact Hours	Credit Hours
MMS 6401	Elective I	6 / 270	6
MMS 6402	Elective II	6 / 270	6
PAC 6308	Elective III	4 / 160	4
MMS 6500	Project	52 / 75	3
PAC 6100	Professional Issues	6 / 16	1
PAC 6304	Obstetrics/Gynecology	6 / 270	6
PAC 6311	Internal Medicine	6 / 270	6
PAC 6313	Surgery	6 / 300	6
PAC 6315	Emergency Medicine	6 / 270	6
PAC 6317	Pediatrics	6 / 270	6
PAC 6318	Family Medicine	6 / 250	6
TOTAL CONTACT HOURS (second year)		2,330	56

Curriculum is subject to change as directed by the department.



# admission requirements

Prospective students are selected by the Committee on Admissions (COA), which considers the overall qualities of the applicant. Areas of consideration include interpersonal skills, personal motivation, knowledge and understanding of the PA profession, academic performance and level of achievement, life experiences, quality and length of prior health care experience, and recommendations/evaluations. Personal interviews are offered to the most qualified applicants to assess interpersonal and communication skills, maturity, altruistic attitude, and commitment to a PA career.

**1.** Prior to matriculation, applicants must have completed a minimum of 90 semester hours (or equivalent quarter hours) of specified coursework from a regionally accredited college or university. Of these 90 semester hours, 30 semester hours (or equivalent quarter hours) must be upper division courses (typically defined as a course number beginning with a 3 or a 4). Upper division courses can be courses from any department other than physical education. These courses are of the applicant's choosing; however, upper division science courses are recommended. The department requires the students to earn a grade of C or better in each of the upper division courses.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 on a four-point grading scale. Successful applicants in the past have typically had cumulative grade point averages in the range of 3.0 to 3.3 and higher.

**2.** The college requires the students to earn a grade of C or better in each of the following required courses:

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
• College algebra (or higher) . . . . .	3
• English composition . . . . .	3
• English literature . . . . .	3
• Humanities/arts . . . . .	3
• Social sciences . . . . .	9

• General biology (or zoology) including laboratory . . . . .	4
• Microbiology including laboratory . . .	4
• General chemistry (I and II) including laboratory . . . . .	8
• Human anatomy and human physiology . . . . .	6
• Biochemistry or organic chemistry . . .	3
• Electives . . . . .	44

Applicants are encouraged to complete their elective coursework in the areas of behavioral, physical, and social sciences or the humanities. Upon review of a student's record, the Committee on Admissions may require additional coursework and testing as a condition of acceptance.

Recommended courses:

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
• Biochemistry or organic chemistry laboratory . . . . .	1
• Anatomy laboratory . . . . .	1
• Physiology laboratory . . . . .	1
• Medical terminology . . . . .	1

**3.** Graduates of foreign institutions where English is not the primary language of instruction must present transcripts showing at least 18 semester hours (or equivalent quarter hours) of study from a regionally accredited college or university in the United States.

Of these 18 semester hours:

- 3 semester hours must be in English composition (courses do not include ESOL)
- 3 semester hours must be in English literature (courses do not include ESOL)
- 3 semester hours must be in public speaking (courses do not include ESOL)

The remaining nine semester hours can be any course of the applicant's choosing (excluding physical education).



**4.** All applicants are required to submit official scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) general test to the EPS, attention Physician Assistant Admissions. NSU's school code is 5522. The GRE must have been taken within the past five years and must be taken early enough for official scores to be received in the admissions office by the supplemental application due date of February 15. Applications will not be considered complete without GRE scores.

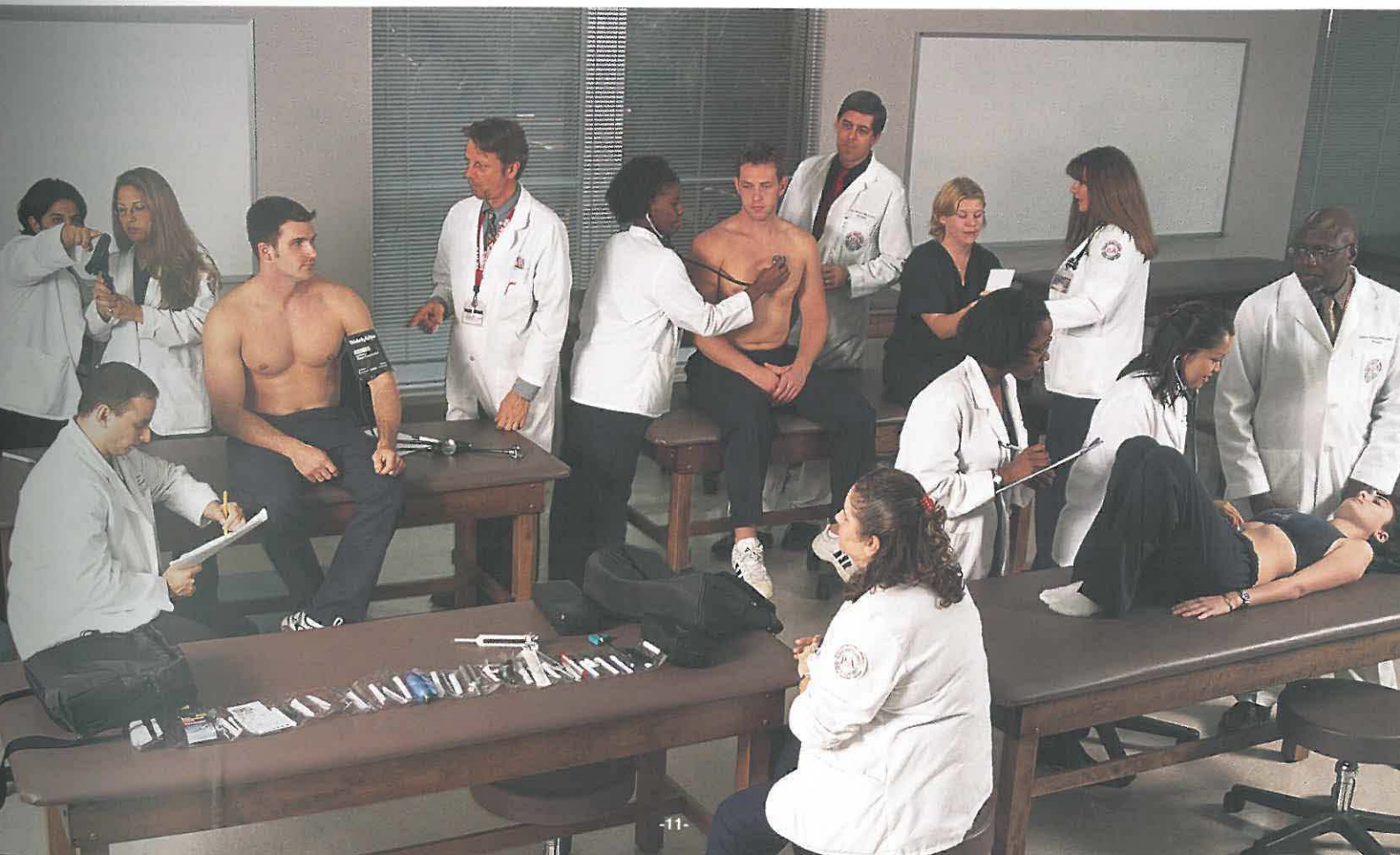
Testing information for the GRE may be obtained from <http://www.gre.org> or by telephoning (609) 921-9000.

- Prior health care experience is highly recommended and is considered for admission. Applicants must submit verifiable information about prior health care experience in order to be competitive for admission to the program.

**5.** All applicants must show evidence of computer skills through coursework or self-study prior to the end of the first term. Students may obtain instruction through the NSU Student Microcomputer Laboratory or other training facilities.

All students are required to have a computer with the following minimum specifications:

- Pentium III, 800MHz minimum processor
- 256 MB RAM
- video capable of 800 x 600 screen display or better
- CD-ROM capability
- full duplex sound card and speakers
- 56.6 baud modem
- Internet connection with private Internet service provider (ISP) for access from home to the Internet
- Windows 2000/ME/XP or NT
- Microsoft Office 2000 with PowerPoint, Word, and Excel minimum
- surge suppressor electrical outlet
- suggested option: zip drive





# application procedure

The CASPA application may be submitted as early as April 15.

## 1. Apply to CASPA

The Physician Assistant Department participates in the Centralized Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA) for the receipt and processing of all applications. CASPA takes no part in the selection of students. CASPA application packets may be obtained and submitted

- online at [www.caspaonline.org](http://www.caspaonline.org)
- by writing: CASPA  
P.O. Box 70958  
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20813-0958
- by calling CASPA at (240) 497-1895

Questions regarding completion of the online application may be directed to CASPA's email address at [apply@caspaonline.org](mailto:apply@caspaonline.org) or by calling them. The CASPA application deadline, in order to be considered for admission in June, is December 31.

## 2. Send supporting documents to CASPA.

- a. All official college transcripts from all undergraduate, graduate, and professional institutions attended must be sent to CASPA directly from the institutions. If applicant attended or is a graduate of a foreign institution, all coursework from the foreign institution must be evaluated for U.S. institutional equivalence. The official evaluation must be sent directly from the evaluation service. For evaluations, please contact one of the following:

World Education Services  
P.O. Box 745  
Old Chelsea Station  
New York, New York 10113-0745  
(212) 966-6311  
Web site: [www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)

Josef Silny & Associates  
P.O. Box 248233  
Coral Gables, Florida 33124  
(305) 273-1616  
(305) 273-1338 (fax)  
Web site: [www.jsilny.com](http://www.jsilny.com)  
Email: [info@jsilny.com](mailto:info@jsilny.com)

Educational Credential Evaluators  
P.O. Box 514070  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470  
(414) 289-3400  
Web site: [www.ece.org](http://www.ece.org)

## b. Three letters of recommendation/evaluation:

One letter of recommendation/evaluation must be sent from an individual (other than a relative) such as an academic adviser, professor, coworker, or supervisor.

Two letters of recommendation/evaluation must be from a health care professional, one of which must be from a physician or a PA.

## 3. Send GRE scores to Nova Southeastern University PA Admissions Office.

Official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores must be submitted directly to Nova Southeastern University, Enrollment Processing Services (EPS), College of Allied Health and Nursing, Physician Assistant Department, Office of Admissions, 3301 College Avenue, P.O. Box 299000, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905. The NSU code number is 5522. Your GRE test scores must be less than five years old and must be taken early enough for official scores to be received by the supplemental application deadline of February 15.

## 4. Once the CASPA application has been received by Nova Southeastern University, a supplemental application will be mailed.

## 5. Send completed supplemental application to

**NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY**  
Enrollment Processing Services (EPS)  
College of Allied Health and Nursing  
3301 College Avenue  
P.O. Box 299000  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905  
Phone: (954) 262-1109  
Fax: (954) 262-2282



Your complete supplemental application must be received no later than February 15 in order to be considered for admission for the June entering class. Once we receive the GRE scores, the supplemental application, and the \$50 fee, your file will be reviewed by the admissions counselor.

The applicant will not be considered for a possible interview until the application from CASPA, the supplemental application (signed and dated), the \$50 nonrefundable application fee, and the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) test scores are received by the Nova Southeastern University Physician Assistant Office of Admissions.

## PERSONAL INTERVIEWS

Once your application is complete, the Committee on Admissions will decide whether or not your application is strong enough to warrant an invitation for a personal interview. Interviews are conducted on the Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, campus and are by invitation only. Interviews will be held during the months of September through May. An invitation to interview is not a guarantee of admission.

## APPLICATION WITHDRAWAL

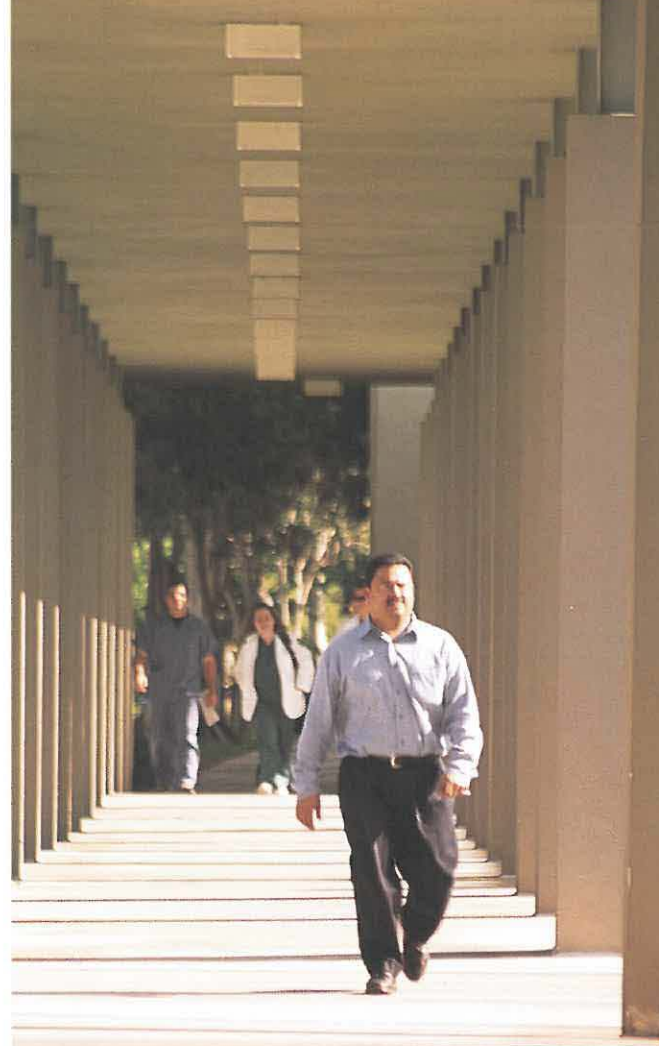
If, at any time, you wish to withdraw your application from consideration, please do so in writing. Please direct this correspondence to Nova Southeastern University's Physician Assistant Program Office of Admissions.

## CURRENT COLLEGE COURSEWORK

All prerequisite coursework must be completed by the end of May in order to be considered for the June entering class. If, at the time of application, coursework is in progress or anticipated, please identify these courses on the supplemental application.

## TRANSCRIPTS

All applicants who are accepted must submit official transcripts of all completed coursework to the NSU EPS Physician Assistant Admissions prior to matriculation. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that arrangements are made for these transcripts to be sent.



Students are provisionally admitted to a degree-seeking program based on a review of unofficial transcripts or other specific program admission requirements. However, this admission includes a condition that final and official transcripts, documents, and requirements must be received within 90 calendar days from matriculation. If these final and official transcripts, documents, and/or requirements are not received by that time, the student will not be allowed to continue class attendance. Financial aid will not be disbursed to a provisional/conditional student until he or she has been fully admitted as a regular student (all admissions requirements have been approved by the college/program admissions office). Students who have an unpaid balance 30 days from the start of the term will be assessed a \$50 fee.



## student housing

Located in close proximity to the Health Professions Division, Nova Southeastern University's on-campus residence halls offer one-bedroom (single) and two-bedroom (double) apartments and married housing. Numerous apartments, condominiums, and other rental facilities are also located near campus. Information concerning housing may be obtained by contacting

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Office of Residential Life and Housing  
3301 College Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796  
(954) 262-7052



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# additional sources of information

Disclaimer: Links to non-NSU Internet sites are provided for your convenience and do not constitute an endorsement.

- For information on a career as a physician assistant, contact:

American Academy of Physician Assistants  
Information Center  
950 North Washington Street  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314-1552  
[www.aapa.org](http://www.aapa.org)

- For a list of accredited programs and a catalog of individual physician assistant training programs, contact:

Association of Physician Assistant Programs  
950 North Washington Street  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314-1552  
[www.apap.org](http://www.apap.org)

- For eligibility requirements and a description of the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination, contact:

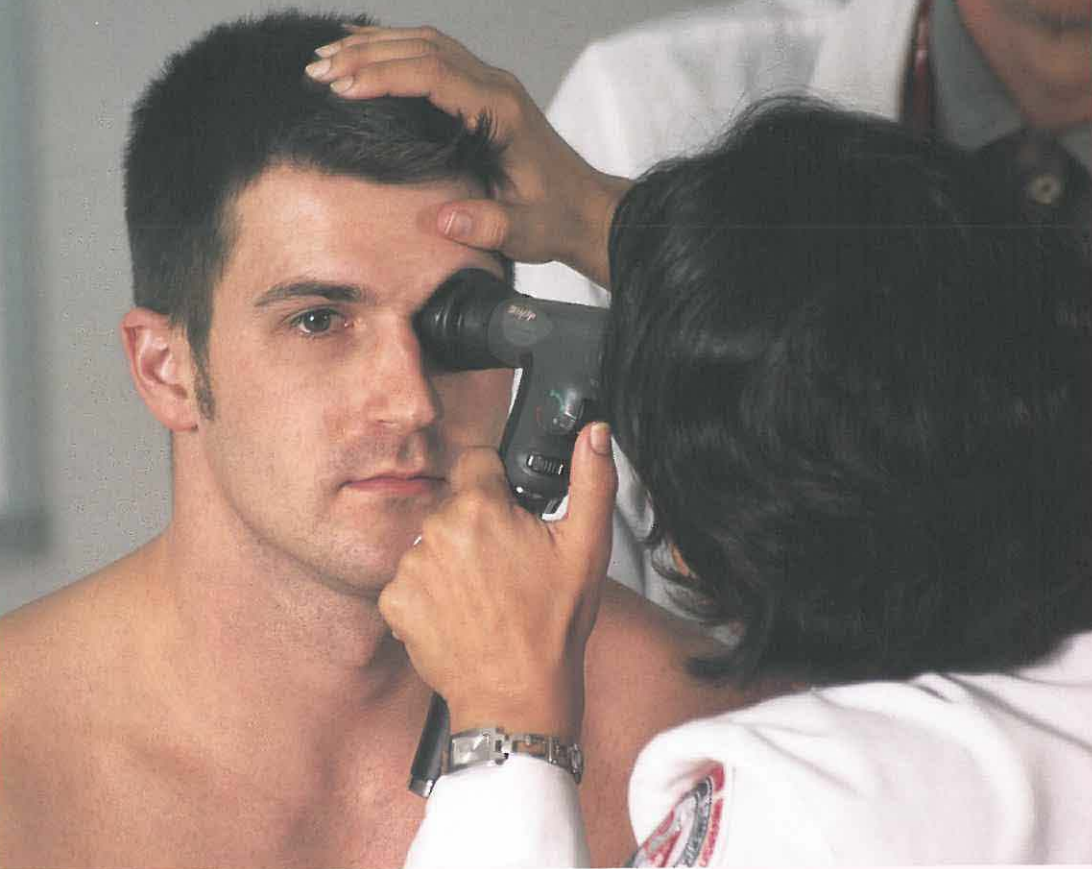
National Commission on Certification of  
Physician Assistants  
157 Technology Parkway, Suite 800  
Norcross, Georgia 30092-2913  
[www.nccpa.net](http://www.nccpa.net)

- For information on employment, employment projections, and compensation statistics, contact:

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics  
Postal Square Building  
2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE  
Washington, D.C. 20212-0001  
[stats.bls.gov](http://stats.bls.gov)







## tuition and fees

Tuition for 2004–2005 (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice): \$19,840 for Florida residents and \$20,590 for out-of-state students. A student activities fee of \$125 per year is required.

1. **Acceptance Fee—\$500.** This fee is required to reserve the accepted applicant's place in the entering first-year class, but is not refundable in the event of a withdrawal. It is payable within two weeks of an applicant's acceptance.
2. **Deposit—\$250.** This is due February 15, under the same terms as the Acceptance Fee.
3. **Preregistration Fee—\$250.** This is due April 15, under the same terms as the Acceptance Fee.
4. **University Technology Fee** is not to exceed \$100 when implemented.

The first semester's tuition and fees, less the \$1,000 previously paid, are due on or before registration day. Tuition for each subsequent semester is due on or before the appropriate registration day. Students will not be admitted until their financial obligations have been met. The financial ability of applicants to complete their training at the college is important because of the limited number of positions available in each class. Applicants should have specific plans for financing 27 months of professional education. This should include tuition, living expenses, books, equipment, and miscellaneous expenses.

Each student is required to carry adequate personal medical and hospital insurance. Students may avail themselves of the hospitalization insurance plan obtainable through the university.

## expenses and financial aid

Students should anticipate spending approximately \$19,000 per year for living expenses. In addition, students should anticipate spending \$5,000 for books and equipment during the 27-month program.

The primary financial responsibility for a student's education rests with the student and his or her family. Economic circumstances for some families may make it necessary for the student to obtain assistance from other sources.

The purpose of the Student Financial Assistance Program at NSU is to help as many qualified students as possible to complete their health professions education. Various loans, scholarships, and grants are available to qualified students to help ease the high cost of a health professions education. These financial assistance programs are described in a separate university publication, *The NSU Guide to Student Financial Assistance*. For a copy or information, contact:

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A limited number of part-time work assignments are available. However, due to the demands of the program curriculum, the program strongly discourages any outside employment.



## terry administration building

### FIRST FLOOR

- Student Affairs
- Admissions
- Financial Aid
- HPD Cafeteria

### SECOND FLOOR

- College of Allied Health and Nursing
  - Audiology Department
  - Health Sciences Department
  - Occupational Therapy Department
  - Physical Therapy Department
  - Physician Assistant Department

### THIRD FLOOR

- College of Medical Sciences
- College of Pharmacy

### FOURTH FLOOR

- College of Osteopathic Medicine
- College of Optometry

### FIFTH FLOOR

- HPD Administration
- Public Health Program
- Nursing Department
- Area Health Education Center

## assembly building

- Finkelstein Auditorium (125 seats)
- Jonas Auditorium (125 seats)
- Melnick Auditorium (125 seats)
- Resnick Auditorium (125 seats)
- Terry Auditorium (125 seat)
- Auditoria A, B, and C (125 seats each)
- Robert A. Steele Auditorium (500 seats)
- Hull Auditorium (250 seats)
- Seminar Rooms

## library/laboratory building

### FIRST FLOOR

- Drug Information Center
- "Harvey" Cardiac Patient Simulation Room
- HPD Library
- Student Computer Laboratory
- Patient Simulation Center

### SECOND FLOOR

- Occupational Therapy Laboratories
- Optometry Laboratories
- Physical Therapy Laboratory
- Student Lounge
- FOMA Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Laboratory

### THIRD FLOOR

- Basic Science Laboratories
- Gross Anatomy Laboratories
- Microscopy Laboratory
- Research Laboratories
- Moran Pharmacy Practice Laboratory
- Pharmacokinetics Laboratory
- Pharmaceuticals Laboratory

## pharmacy and pharmaceutical care center

## sanford I. ziff health care center

### FIRST FLOOR

- Family Medicine
- Occupational Therapy
- Pediatrics
- Dermatology
- Physical Therapy
- Radiology

### SECOND FLOOR

- Optometry Clinics
- Optometry Dispensary

### THIRD FLOOR

- Business Offices
- Specialty Clinics
  - Cardiology
  - Internal Medicine
  - Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
  - Pulmonary Medicine
- Emergency Medicine Training Center



## dental medicine building

### FIRST FLOOR

- Oral Medicine and Radiology Clinic
- Oral Surgery Clinic
- Student Dental Clinic
- Clinic Support Laboratory
- Predoctoral and Postgraduate Oral Surgery

### SECOND FLOOR

- Faculty Practice
- Simulation Lab
- Postgraduate Endodontics
- Postgraduate Orthodontics
- Postgraduate Pediatric Dentistry
- Postgraduate Periodontics
- Postgraduate Prosthodontics

### THIRD FLOOR

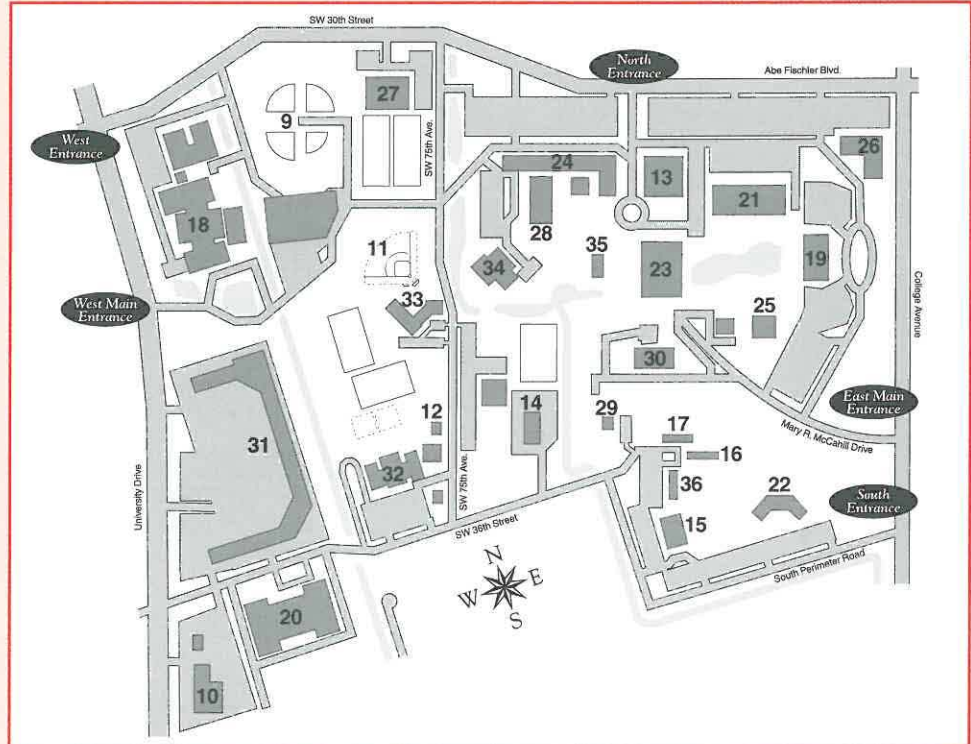
- Auditorium
- Seminar Rooms
- Central Sterilization Area
- Dispensing
- Faculty Offices
- Student Dental Supply Depot

## parking garage

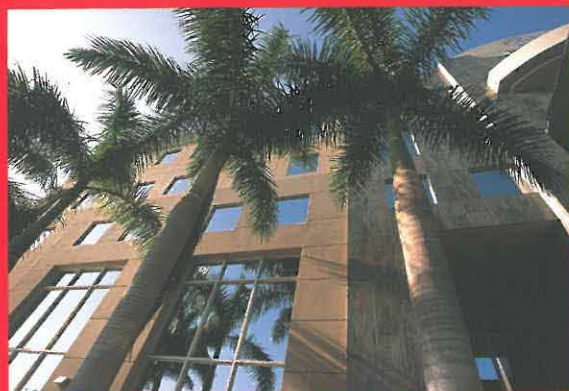
## hpd assembly building

- Auditorium
- Computer Science Laboratory
- Seminar Rooms
- Physical Assessment Laboratory
- Compliance Office

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