

Essay Assignment

Your assignment is to write an essay that is at least 3 pages long, typed, double spaced, and uses 12 point-size text. In the essay, you will

1. describe what PAs do and where they work;
2. tell how PAs have made and are making a difference in promoting good health and general well-being;
3. address what aspects of PAs' work seem most interesting to you and why; and
4. discuss the important role of PAs in health care and your interest in becoming a PA, if this profession appeals to you.

You are required to write an essay that

- includes at least 1 PA or PA program example for each of the 4 topic areas listed above, using information from the following pre-selected online sources: Visual elements—such as graphs, images, tables—that viewers can easily understand
 - *Physician Assistants: Collaboration and Care* (<https://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/pa-collaborationandcare>)
 - Physician Assistant History Society (<http://pahx.org/>)
 - "About PA Practice" webpage by AAPA (<https://www.aapa.org/practice-resources/about-pa-practice/>)
 - "Specialty Organizations" webpage by AAPA (https://www.aapa.org/about_aapa/constituent_organizations/specialty_organizations/)
- uses 2 additional sources (websites, pamphlets, articles, interviews, etc.)
- demonstrates all elements of clear and informative writing
- is without spelling and grammatical errors

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Before finalizing the assignment, a peer or your teacher will review your essay and provide feedback that you will use to polish your work. For this, you are to

- submit your essay at the beginning of the next class for the reviewer's feedback;
- clarify any questions on the feedback with your reviewer when your paper is returned; and
- revise the essay and hand in the final draft in the next class.