

ARC-PA Student Attrition TEMPLATE

Wichita State University Physician Associate (PA) Program

	Graduated Classes		
	Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Maximum entering class size (as approved by ARC-PA)	48	48	48
Entering class size	49	52	51
Graduates	44	49	43
*Attrition rate	10.2%	5.8%	15.7%
**Graduation rate	89.9%	94.2%	84.3%

*Attrition rate calculation: Number of students who attrited from cohort divided by the entering class size

**Graduation rate: Number of cohort graduates divided by the entering class size

Comments: Entering class size represents newly admitted students plus any decelerated students from the previous cohort. Student attrition occurs when a student enters the Program but does not graduate within that same cohort. Student attrition can result from poor academic performance, medical leave of absence, voluntary withdrawal, deceleration (moved to a later cohort), or dismissal. The WSU PA 3-year mean graduation rate for 2022-2024 (89.4%) is similar to the national mean graduation rate reported in the 34th – 36th Annual Report from PAEA (93%). When factoring in students returning to the Program after medical leave of absence or deceleration, the 3-year mean graduation rate for 2021-2023 is 95%. Noting the recent increase in student attrition for the Class of 2024, the Program is in the process of developing a multifactorial improvement plan.