# **Cover Sheet: Request 10582**

# PAS5003C MEDICAL COMMUNICATIONS

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Description	Communication skills in medical history-taking; complete medical history; problem-
	oriented medical record.

# Actions

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# Responses

Current PrefixPAS
Course Level5
Number 003
Lab Code C
Course Title Medical communications for PA's
Effective Term Summer
Effective Year 2016
Requested Action Other (selecting this option opens additional form fields below)
Change Course Prefix?No

Change Course Level?No

Change Course Number?No

**Change Lab Code?**No

**Change Course Title?**No

**Change Transcript Title?**No

**Change Credit Hours?**No

**Change Variable Credit?**No

Change S/U Only?Yes S/U Only StatusChange to S/U Only Change Contact Type?No

**Change Rotating Topic Designation?**No

**Change Repeatable Credit?**No

Change Course Description?No

**Change Prerequisites?**No

# Change Co-requisites?No

**Rationale**The UF School of Physician Assistant Studies, after a self-study analysis of the curriculum, is requesting conversion to a Pass/Fail (S/U) curriculum of the didactic year (first year). Currently UFSPAS uses a grading scale (A-E) to evaluate and monitor students' progress through both years of their education. The clinical year (second year) of training will continue using a grading scale for the core clinical rotations to allow students to achieve a ranking should they further their education.

The following reasons provide the rationale for moving towards a Pass/Fail (S/U) curriculum during the didactic year of education:

- 1. Allows students to become self-directed learners (intrinsic motivation)
- 2. Decreases/eliminates competition between students
- 3. Promotes more collaborative learning
- 4. Positively enhances students sense of well-being
- 5. Aligns us with the College of Medicine (COM) who has successfully adopted a Pass/Fail curriculum.
- 6. Fosters development of competency based evaluation
- 7. Decreases faculty/student tensions of assigning "fair" grades

Please look favorably on this request

#### PAS 5003C: Medical Communications [CA]

- http://apps.aa.ufl.edu/Approval/Requests/Info/10582
- Change S/U Only: Yes
- o **S/U Only Status:** Change to S/U Only
- Rationale: The UF School of Physician Assistant Studies, after a self-study analysis of the curriculum, is requesting conversion to a Pass/Fail (S/U) curriculum of the didactic year (first year).
- Each course to be designated as a Pass/Fail (S/U) option will still maintain their current numerical grading rubric for exams and minimal overall numerical percentage to pass (70%). Numerical percentages will be maintained within the program grade book and student records to continue with monitoring academic progress. The use of the S/U option will be used for reporting on their University transcript.
- The final grade for this course will be derived from 3 areas:

Quizzes (20%) – 4 quizzes (5% each and 20% of final grade)

#### **Laboratory Distribution (40%) -**

Interview #1 and HPI #1 - The oral presentation and written report will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis (any component that results in an initial failure will require remediation at the laboratory instructor's discretion and direction).

Interview #2 and HPI #2 -- The interview as well as oral presentation will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis and the written report will receive a numerical grade (10%). Interview #3 and HPI #3 - The interview will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis and the oral presentation (presenting only the HPI) as well as a full written report (including the CC, HPI, PMH, FH, SH, ROS) will receive numerical grades (Oral = 10% and Written Report = 20%).

Interview #4 (Patient Perception Questionnaire = PPQ) — Although the interview will receive a numerical grade based on the student's professionalism that is evaluated by the standardized patient at the Harrell Center, it will receive an overall grade of Pass/Fail.

### **Final Examination (40%)**

A final grade of 70% or higher is required to pass this course.