

The Rowan-Virtua SOM PA Program is not yet accredited (D1.02b)

The Rowan-Virtua School of Osteopathic Medicine PA Program has applied for Accreditation-Provisional from the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA). The Rowan-Virtua School of Osteopathic Medicine anticipates matriculating its first class in August 2026, pending achieving Accreditation-Provisional status at the March 2026 agenda, ARC-PA meeting. Accreditation-Provisional is an accreditation status granted when the plans and resource allocation, if fully implemented as planned, or a proposed program that has not yet enrolled students appear to demonstrate the program's ability to meet the ARC-PA Standards or when a program holding accreditation-provisional status appears to demonstrate continued progress in complying with the Standards as it prepares for the graduation of the first class (cohort) of students.

You can learn more by visiting the [ARC-PA website](#).

Implications of Non-Accreditation (D1.02c)

The Rowan-Virtua SOM PA Program is currently a developing program seeking provisional accreditation from the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for Physician Assistant Education (ARC-PA).

As such, applicants and prospective students should be aware of the following implications if the program is not granted accreditation:

- Students cannot matriculate into a program that is not accredited by the ARC-PA.
- CASPA application fees are non-refundable.
- The Rowan-Virtua SOM PA Program application fee is non-refundable.
- Seat deposits will be refunded in the event that accreditation is not granted.
- Admission offers are contingent upon the program achieving provisional accreditation.
- Enrollment will not proceed unless accreditation is received.
- The program does not guarantee placement into other PA programs should accreditation not be granted.

The program is committed to transparency and will continue to provide timely updates as the accreditation process progresses.