University of Alabama at Birmingham
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March 2018
The commission accepted the report (Exceeding Class Size). No further information requested. Program reminded approved maximum entering class size is 80.

The commission accepted the report (appointment of interim program director). No further information requested.

September 2016 (July meeting)
The commission did not accept the report and does not approve the increase to a maximum class size of 90 within the Physician Assistant program beyond the cohort that already has been accepted to begin the program in August 2016.

Program Change: The commission reviewed materials regarding the dual degree program (Coordinated Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies and Master of Public Health). The commission acknowledged the report. No further information requested.

May 2016
Program’s next validation review changed to March 2024 due to change in accreditation process.

March 2016
The commission reviewed the February 18, 2016 report relative to the approved class size increase. The commission rescinded the program’s approval for its next incremental increase in class size. The program approved maximum entering class size is not to exceed 80 students in 2016. Additional report due August 1, 2016 (program personnel, budget, supervised clinical practice experiences [SCPEs] and decision-making process related to class size increase).

March 2015
The commission acknowledged the report (website update). No further information requested.

September 2014
Program Change: Increase class size; The program is approved for a maximum number of 90 students (incremental increase: 70 students in year one, 80 students in year two and finally 90 in year three).


March 2014

September 2013
Program Change: Increase class size; The program is approved for up to 60 students. No further information requested.
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March 2011
Program Change: Increase the maximum aggregate student enrollment to 165. The commission accepted the response. No further information requested.

March 2010
The commission accepted the report. No further information requested.

March 2009
Accreditation-Continued; Next Comprehensive Evaluation: March 2014. The program is approved for up to 96 students. Report due January 8, 2010 (standards C2.01b1 and C2.01b4; 3rd edition).

March 2007

September 2004
The commission acknowledged the report. No further information requested.

March 2004

September 2003
Report Due (Personnel Change): Permanent program director to start on July 1, 2003.

March 2003
Personnel Change: Interim program director appointed July 2002. Program actively recruiting two additional faculty and a program director.

September 2002
Program Correspondence: The program requested and was granted postponing the site evaluation from January 2003 to January 2004.

March 2001
Program Change: Plan develop an entry level emergency medicine track within the program, with a separate admissions process. The commission does not acknowledge and will not approve the program change.

September 2000
The commission accepted the report. No further information requested. Program’s request to increase its class size by 25 percent was approved.
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March 2000