

**Exam Master PA-CAT  
Candidate Survey**

Date/Time	Name	Did you use the included study resources? If so, how long did you use the included study resources?	When did you take the PA-CAT exam?	Enter your written feedback in the text box below to have your name entered into a raffle for a \$75 Visa Gift Card.
1/2/24 13:05:05	L.L.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	I took the PA-CAT because I thought i would do better on that exam than the GRE. I was correct. I like the fact that the study materials are included in the price of the exam. I prefer it over the GRE because it is content that I should've learned in school.
1/2/24 13:06:37	O.B.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	Overall, great experience. I took the PACAT for application to a few different PA school. I used the free resources after making a PACAT exam appointment. The exam itself followed closely with the practice exams/material.
1/2/24 13:06:49	A.M.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	This test was very difficult, but partially because it took me 2 months to locate the study material provided.
1/2/24 13:07:43	N.M.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	It was very good. I studied for three weeks and got a 477. The material was very focused, and if I had more time I would have no doubt I would've scored higher. For me to be able to get a 477 with only three weeks of studying outside of work and family time shows how good the material was. I was right around the middle of the curve, and very pleased with the structure of the material and my preparation with my short timeline.
1/2/24 13:07:45	V.O.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	Exam master was the perfect resource for the Pa-cat. The exam was fairly similar, however it felt very long so i felt exam fatigue towards the end of it.
1/2/24 13:07:50	M.S.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Overall a good test. I believe it is a good measure of how much a pre-PA student knows about those topics. The free study resources are very useful for the actual test. I would say that after talking to some other test takers, everyone had a different exam that focused heavily on one subject. Some had biology heavy exam, others genetics and some chemistry. I am not sure if that is the actual case, but it is something I have heard.
1/2/24 13:08:22	M.M.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I decided to take the PA-CAT because it is one of the requirements for the PA program I was applying to. The study resources included with the PA-CAT exam were the only resources I used and they prepared me well for the exam, especially the videos and the practice exams. While I was taking the exam I felt prepared and believe these resources are tailored for the exam and for future success in PA school. Other benefits to taking the PA-CAT exam is getting more knowledge to prepare you for PA school, I actually found it extremely helpful as I had a surprise mini quiz on my interview day, and was able to answer due to what I had just learned from my Exam Master resources.
1/2/24 13:09:00	G.T.	I did not use the included	1 - 2 years	The exam included a lot of things that were not taught in undergraduate and I thought I wouldn't learn until I got to PA school. I thought that wasn't completely fair however the rest of the exam was fair.
1/2/24 13:10:07	J.D.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I took the exam with intent to apply to IPAP. I tried utilizing the study resources, however a few pre-prepared "mock" test question banks would've been helpful to know what kind of questions to prepare for. The material was thorough, but a little unorganized in terms of creating a personalized study plan. I will admit the test, having also taken the MCAT long ago, is a better test than the MCAT in that it seemed very straightforward, and had questions that not only required rote memory, but also application of the material.
1/2/24 13:14:47	S.W.	6 - 12 months	Didn't take the PA-CAT exam	I've really enjoyed the study resources so far! I have found them helpful and will continue to use them.
1/2/24 13:15:26	I.S.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	I took the PA-CAT because it was a requirement for the IPAP which is a military program. I also like that I could demonstrate practical knowledge through the exam and not just classroom lessons.
1/2/24 13:25:08	A.G.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	Overall as an assessment exam, it was mostly fair. I wish there was a textbook to supplement the online study resources for more practice and reviewing. I felt that some anatomy questions on the exam were beyond the current scope of knowledge for general students

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1/2/24 13:27:30 P.M.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	The test is a little too ambiguous. I feel like there should be more real life questions compared to things we learned in undergraduate. The length is fine and the subjects are great. The questions could be rewritten better. I took the exam to be more competitive in the programs I applied to. Although, I am terrible at test taking.
1/2/24 13:30:33 R.Z.	6 - 12 months	Less than 6 months ago	It was a very thought out exam however the information on the website about how much of what subjects is covered is not consistent with the actual test. For example, chemistry and was a big portion of the test according to the website however majority of the test was microbiology, anatomy, and biology. The online resources were informative however very hard to pay attention to as they are very hard to understand. maybe use a different narrator with a voice that is not monotone and using different wording to make the content more easily understandable.
1/2/24 13:33:24 P.R.	6 - 12 months	6 - 12 months	Great exam. PA schools should have a standardized test for admissions purposes. This exam is a great tool to implement. I used Exam Master study resources as well as third party question banks. The exam is an accurate representation of what we are expected to know at this stage of application process (bio, chem, biochem, stat).
1/2/24 13:38:43 T.R.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Why did you decide to take the PA-CAT exam? I took the PACAT because my number 1 school heavily recommended it. I wanted the best possible chance of getting in, so I took this test. Luckily, I got in! How did the study resources included with the PA-CAT exam help you prepare? They were okay. I used 2 study methods to prepare and that was it. I used rosh review questions, which I would do about 20 at a time of and take basic notes on whatever questions I got wrong. For the included study methods, I took notes over the video sections like I was watching a regular lecture. I will say, I didnt like the questions that were included. Its worthwhile to mention that I scored in the top 10th percentile on less than 4 months of studying, most of which i was working full time during. The included section exams were WAYYYY too into detail for what a student at this level should know. At most these students have taken A&P1/2 and have worked a job or 2 in healthcare. Not exactly experts and the section exam questions were way too hard. I would get like 30% if I didnt look at my notes while taking it. Are there any other benefits or experiences related to the PA-CAT exam that you'd like to share? I would like to say that outside of the classroom I made myself an excellent PA candidate. I am heavily interested in healthcare and the fact that my daily life reflects that helped me do well. I got a question on the exam correct that I remember because a med student from a coffee shop sent me some material after I asked for help on a rosh question. That being said, the exam is at a sweet spot where its difficult, but not too difficult as long as you've set up your life to include learning about healthcare OUTSIDE of the classroom. At an undergraduate level, the exam is difficult.
1/2/24 13:40:26 J.A.	< 6 months	2 - 3 years	The test provided information that is relevant to PA with application of scientific materials.
1/2/24 13:52:21 J.B.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Overall the virtual PA-CAT login process was very simple and made the testing process smoother than expected. The tutorials helped as well and I would definitely test again with exam master if needed.
1/2/24 14:07:55 N.P.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I did decide to take PACAT to increase my chances in getting in a PA program and to test myself if I am ready for that program. The study materials were very helpful and prepared me very well for the test. I would recommend it to everyone who will apply for PA program.
1/2/24 14:33:32 N.L.	6 - 12 months	Less than 6 months ago	Overall a good exam, study materials are OK. Wish were able to know how much we should focus on specific topics
1/2/24 14:38:30 J.V.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	Exam was good, After applying to PA school a second time with scores over the 75th percentile I was able to get into PA school and am currently in my second semester
1/2/24 14:55:10 J.K.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	The PA-CAT is difficult but fair. The only section that really stumped me is the biochemistry section, but I didn't take a biochemistry course before taking the exam. The study material provided by Exam Master was an excellent resource.

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1/2/24 15:22:31 T.P.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	The PA-CAT was challenging but a fair assessment of core material covered in the prerequisite courses for PA programs. I felt this exam was a much better predictor of how I will perform in my classes during my didactic year of school. I actually enjoyed studying the material because it was directly related to what I will encounter in my future studies!
1/2/24 16:25:49 A.G.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	The resources were very helpful, they were all I used. I watched every video and didn't practice exams which were super helpful. I chose to take the PA-CAT because it is more focused on the knowledge you need for PA school.
1/2/24 16:27:16 A.W.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I don't think it's a good metric for PA student potential.
1/2/24 16:39:06 S.D.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	I took the exam as a requirement for application to a PA program. The included study materials helped me a lot to prepare. I liked how the material was structured and also enjoyed the practice questions. Taking the PA-CAT helped me get ready for taking PA school exams as well.
1/2/24 17:28:39 E.S.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	the provided study resources didn't cover all the topics presented on the PACAT, so I do wish that more comprehensive study resources were available because I felt like I only was prepared for half ish of the material on the exam. Also, the exam itself was difficult to navigate.
1/2/24 17:36:57 J.C.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	I thought the exam was spot on! It reflected a majority of what I learned in undergrad. I am excited to see the PA-CAT as the standard for admissions in PA school.
1/2/24 18:57:05 S.C.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	I took the PA CAT as it was required for IPAP. The study material was decent however i do not believe i had enough time to properly prepare as i would have liked to.
1/2/24 19:16:52 C.A.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	The test malfunctioned in the middle but was quickly reconnected. It is in fact a long test with no access to water but overall measures a closer accuracy for students pursuing this field of medicine.
1/2/24 19:36:01 H.W.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	I took the PA-CAT exam because it was required to test the knowledge of our incoming cohort to our PA program. I studied very minimally for the examination, but I did look over the tools provided to have an understanding of expectations of the exam. I remember that chemistry was more in-depth than expected. I also remember being unfamiliar with conversions and certain formulas needed. It was interesting to see the scoring. It was confusing to understand how well I did at first.
1/2/24 23:10:29 J.S.	I did not use the includec	6 - 12 months	The PA-CAT was fair but I do not think it is a necessary completion requirement for admission to a program. The questions asked were either very broad basic science questions or complicated medical based questions in which no body is taught in the prerequisite courses required for PA program admissions. If the exam were to be used in more programs requirements I think that the medical based questions should be omitted due to the fact that it is not taught until PA school. In order for the test to utilized in a schools admission process it should be a requirement for ALL programs and have changes made. In the current state, it is unfair to have some programs require it and others not. Also, I think it should not be used after acceptance into a program for any reason; it had absolutely zero impact on my education since starting my program and is a poor use of money and resources for no beneficial purpose.
1/3/24 6:09:04 S.M.	I did not use the includec	1 - 2 years	I last minute decided to apply to PA school. One of the two local schools required the PA-CAT for admissions, I booked the soonest time and drove over an hour and a half to take the PA-CAT about 2-3 weeks after registering. The included study material seemed very appropriate and helpful for the content on the exam however I did not study at all due to the time crunch and last minute sign up.
1/3/24 9:39:13 J.T.	< 6 months	6 - 12 months	I took the PA-CAT because it best correlates to a high PANCE passing score moreso than other entrance exams, such as the GRE, does not focus on any applicable skills or information. The included study materials were my primary source of content review and test questions. It is the best review material I have ever used. It is perfectly concise yet comprehensive and the explanations given for the practice questions made all the difference. The only change I would make is I felt the content review could have been more thorough for the general chemistry portion as it lacked in info needed compared to other subjects.

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1/3/24 10:40:58 S.L.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Some PA schools have switched over to using the PA-CAT Exam instead of the GRE. The review courses that came together as a package, did help with the exam. Students who study for the PA-CAT in the future should use the review videos provided as the primary study tool. Then, they could use the practice exams on the site to practice other courses not included in the review videos---notably psychology and chemistry, which the exam does cover. Studying from the provided materials (instead of from your previous college classes) allow you to focus on the questions that the exam tests.
1/3/24 11:12:09 G.P.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	The PA-CAT was an extremely in depth exam. The material provided by Exam Master at the time (2022 summer) did not feel like it prepared me for all questions. One major road block I felt in my path was that the only way for me to study for PA-CAT was via the exam master resources AFTER paying for your seat. It wouldve been extremely helpful had physical study material been published (again, in summer 2022) and available via amazon, barnes and noble, etc. Though books could be purchased via the exam master AFTER purchasing a seat, not all individuals know of these resources and it wouldve been helpful to have had a guide during my undergrad learning to know what to focus on. To add, the online lecture videos were minimally helpful as there was no closed captions and the tutor lecturing would often speak on things not on the slides and in a monotone voice. I found it very hard to focus and follow along due to these poor and lacking features and took a hit to my score.
1/3/24 14:26:07 N.D.	I did not use the included	6 - 12 months	I took the exam as part of a school's pilot program. I feel PA school is competitive enough and an exam is unnecessary at this point. If the availability of programs expand or the competitive nature of admissions decline, then such an exam may be beneficial.
1/3/24 14:27:23 M.H.	I did not use the included	Less than 6 months ago	Fair exam for PA admissions!
1/3/24 15:22:15 M.P.	6 - 12 months	1 - 2 years	The test bank was totally valuable to preparing for the PA-CAT. Test questions are mostly valid and up-to-date and a certain number of repetition gives you a good grasp of big concepts.
1/3/24 17:11:18 A.W.	I did not use the included	1 - 2 years	Having worked in the medical field for ten years now with the highest level of care provided being a critical care nurse during Covid in NYC and only being recognized as a Critical Care Flight Paramedic. In my opinion, the PACAT was a worthless exam that wastes everyones time and money as just another hoop to jump through before being able to apply to some programs. I'm sure there is some statcal data coming out of who does well on the test and who does well to graduate as a PA but this test as an entrance exam was absolutley worthless. I'm glad I never need to take it again and hope they stop trying to make it another exclusivity exam for individuals trying to join the ranks of PAs. If you do want an exam that's worth anything, just have students take aptitude and personality exams to see how they will actually be a good fit for the postion and let their work experience/ drive to do the job be the determining factor if they get in or not.
1/4/24 20:30:52 R.S.	< 6 months	Registered but haven't taken	Found the study material useful and easy to navigate. I am taking the PACAT as a requirement for the Interservice Physician Assistant Program
1/4/24 22:06:22 M.H.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	The PA-CAT gave me the opportunity to apply my knowledge from prerequisite courses for PA school in one exam. I personally enjoyed taking the exam as I love to study the anatomy and biology of the human body and I believe the exam demonstrates to schools that I will apply to within the next few months my abilities to do well in the program. I believe the PA cat is a good representation for prospect of schools to view me as a knowledgeable and competent future PA student.
1/5/24 9:59:12 S.C.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	This exam was a great and a great way to test knowledge on the specific subjects.
1/5/24 13:15:28 P.P.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I took the PA-CAT in order to qualify to apply to PA school at a number of institutions that requires it. I did not study sufficiently from the materials provided but my feedback for the video lectures provided is that they were not a good way to study as they took a long time to review, and additional resources were needed to grasp the information. I also found the study material website hard to navigate and understand. The practice exams I found were good and the fact that the questions had explanations for each answer was also really helpful.
1/5/24 15:09:45 R.L.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Took the exam for application the army PA program.they were helpful resources.

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1/5/24 16:32:30 E.S.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I took the PACAT exam as it was required by one of the graduate programs I applied to. The included study resources were very helpful and were the only direct study material that I used. While I did well on this exam, I don't think PA programs should require it because it is another financial hurdle for candidates to overcome on their applications. That being said it was a well-structured exam.
1/7/24 11:49:43 D.H.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I took the PA-CAT as it was required for several graduate schools I applied to. The materials included were definitely sufficient to prepare for the exam, but I ultimately regret not having used them more than I did. I especially liked that the videos had transcripts of the information on each slide so I could study with or without volume, in busy cafes, and elsewhere. Similarly, the anatomy sections were very throughout and mimicked the actual exam exactly.
1/7/24 19:19:56 M.V.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Many schools I applied to did not require any standardized test, but I took a Physician Assistant College Admission Test (PA-CAT) to test my readiness for the incoming PA program. I utilized comprehensive study resources derived from the PA-CAT exam, Rosh Review, and notes from my undergraduate studies. This served as a valuable refresher for my existing knowledge and heightened my awareness of challenging topics pertinent to the PA school curriculum.
1/8/24 12:44:44 P.R.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	The site provided all the necessary resources to successfully complete the PA-CAT. However, it's a lot of material so each person has to definitely do their part.
1/12/24 17:38:37 E.P.	< 6 months	1 - 2 years	I had a great experience as the given study material was a comprehensive review on the courses I have taken and in the actual test the material given was what I was tested on. I was even tested to use that knowledge to make decisions or use some critical thinking on some of the questions.
1/12/24 17:39:03 G.O.	I did not use the includec	1 - 2 years	1. I decided to take the PA-CAT because some of the PA schools I was applying to required the exam for admission. 2. Personally, I did not use any of the study materials for the exam. As someone who was still taking undergraduate courses, I felt that I already had an abundance of fresh knowledge. 3. I thought the PA-CAT was a lot more useful in determining a student's preparation for PA school than the GRE. I honestly enjoyed taking the exam.
1/12/24 17:42:30 J.C.	I purchased study resour	1 - 2 years	I took the exam because I felt that it was a much better reflection of my ability to succeed in PA school than the GRE. It was a great opportunity to show what I had learned in my prerequisite courses.
1/12/24 17:48:06 T.C.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	Great online resources with the practice tests. My one complaint is that the website stopped me from making microbiology tests which harmed my test score. Other than that, great resources.
1/12/24 19:06:12 S.K.	6 - 12 months	Registered but haven't taken	The website is a bit confusing in terms of registering for the exam versus signing to receive the study resources from exam master. There should be some clarity in instructions that could be provided by a demo video for individual's who are taking PA-CAT for the first time.
1/12/24 22:45:54 J.S.	6 - 12 months	Less than 6 months ago	The PA-CAT was definitely a tough test but the vision for the test is there. The PA-CAT had a lot of information that would be covered in PA School so it is a good test of knowledge prior to attending. By taking the test, I was able to gain insight on different types of questions I may be asked in PA school as well as the different topics covered.
1/13/24 13:04:31 R.B.	6 - 12 months	Registered but haven't taken	The study material is useful but incredibly dry. It is very difficult to watch every single study guide video when it feels like you're listening to a monotone machine explain complex concepts. I ended up spending 99% of my time studying using videos on youtube and text books.
1/13/24 22:59:02 K.B.	6 - 12 months	Registered but haven't taken	The study resources provided for free gives good insight on preparing a candidate and guiding them to what to expect as a prospective PA student applicant. The website is easy to navigate and leads the student on a step by step basis study guide divided by classes (courses) for a better understanding providing a flexible study at your own pace theme
1/14/24 5:51:12 D.R.	I purchased study resour	6 - 12 months	I enjoyed the PA-CAT. The subjects seemed more applicable to the Physician Assistant field, in which I am about to embark in.
1/14/24 14:50:56 N.W.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	The list of topics was the most helpful. Outside resources were most helpful in studying. Having multiple practice exams would be helpful.
1/15/24 21:02:19 J.T.	I did not use the includec	Less than 6 months ago	questions were too long

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1/17/24 0:42:49 J.A.	< 6 months	Less than 6 months ago	I like that the exam compared scores to people who took it around the same time as you. I'm glad there were study resources available.
1/17/24 8:43:47 S.R.	I did not use the included	6 - 12 months	I took the PA-CAT exam at the request of the school I had already been accepted to. I did not use the included study resources to prepare and did no preparation at all (at the request of my accepted school). I felt as though studying may have improved my score and if I was taking PA-CAT as a placement test I would've used study materials.
1/17/24 11:11:04 M.M.	6 - 12 months	Registered but haven't taken	This platform is very organized and has prepared me for the PA-CAT exam. I feel confident!