



Orthopedic Surgery Physician Assistant Fellowship

Location: The CORE Institute – Arizona | **Duration:** 12 months | **Start Date:** January 2026

Program Overview

The Orthopedic Surgery PA Fellowship at The CORE Institute is a full-time, 12-month advanced clinical training program designed for newly graduated or early-career Physician Assistants seeking specialized experience in orthopedic surgery. This post-graduate fellowship bridges the transition from PA school to clinical practice in a high-volume, high-acuity surgical setting.

Fellows will work closely with attending orthopedic surgeons, fellows, residents, and experienced advanced practice providers to develop advanced diagnostic, surgical, and patient management skills in both inpatient and outpatient settings.

Clinical Training

- Hands-on operative experience across subspecialties (e.g., trauma, sports medicine, joints, spine, hand, foot & ankle)
- First-assist in the OR, pre- and post-operative patient care
- Comprehensive outpatient clinical exposure, including fracture care, injections, and follow-up management
- Emergency department consultations and inpatient orthopedic management
- Participation in rounds, case discussions

Educational Components

- Didactic sessions and skills labs
- Access to orthopedic journal clubs and CME opportunities
- Quality improvement or research project during the fellowship year
- Certificate of completion awarded upon graduation
- Preparation for NCCPA CAQ

Eligibility Requirements

- Graduation from an ARC-PA accredited Physician Assistant Program
- NCCPA certification (or eligibility at time of application)
- PA licensure in the state of Arizona
- DEA license
- BLS and ACLS certifications
- Demonstrated interest in orthopedic surgery
- Strong interpersonal and teamwork skills

Compensation & Benefits

- Competitive stipend
- Full-time employee benefits including health, dental, vision, and malpractice coverage
- Paid time off and CME allowance

Application Requirements

- Current CV
- Personal statement detailing interest in orthopedic surgery and goals for fellowship training
- Three letters of recommendation (including one from a surgical or clinical preceptor)
- Official PA program transcript (if requested)
- Proof of NCCPA certification or eligible.

Submit all application materials via: fellowships@thecoreinstitute.com. For more information or questions about the fellowship, please contact: **Senior Fellowship Coordinator:** Susie Redell (susie.redell@thecoreinstitute.com)
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