

Patrick Keeton

Patrick Keeton, MSPAS, PA-C, serves as an Assistant Professor of Instruction in the Department of Physician Assistant Studies at the University of South Alabama. He teaches courses in Clinical Medicine, Pathophysiology, and physical exam/clinical techniques while advising PA students on their academic and professional development.

With nearly 25 years of experience in emergency medicine, Professor Keeton began his healthcare career as an Emergency Medical Technician before earning his Master of Surgical Physician Assistant Studies from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 2010 and his Bachelor of Science from the University of South Alabama in 2008. His extensive clinical background includes high-volume emergency departments, community trauma centers, and rural critical access hospitals.

Professor Keeton is currently pursuing a Doctor of Medical Science (DMSc) with a concentration in Medical Education through Arkansas Colleges of Health Education. His academic and research interests focus on interprofessional education and campus disaster response training. Beyond the classroom, Professor Keeton participates in global medical missions and is committed to preparing future physician assistants with the clinical confidence, adaptability, and compassionate mindset needed to serve their communities.