

THE PRE-HEALTH PROGRAM AT DEPAUL



IS HEALTH CARE IN YOUR FUTURE?



There's an increasing shortage of all types of health care professionals—physicians, pharmacists, physical therapists, nurses, podiatric physicians and more, says the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Your career plans may include helping to meet that need—but first you need to make sure your undergraduate education is preparing you for highly selective graduate-level programs.

The College of Science and Health (CSH) offers a pre-health program available to any current DePaul student—regardless of major—who is interested in applying to graduate or professional health care programs, such as:

- Allopathic Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Dentistry
- Osteopathic Medicine
- Physical Therapy
- Physician's Assistant
- Podiatric Medicine
- Occupational Therapy
- Pathologists' Assistant
- Veterinary Medicine
- Chiropractic Medicine
- Optometry
- Nursing

You're on the right track.

The path to a graduate or professional degree in health care can seem daunting—you need an understanding of graduate admission requirements while working toward your bachelor's degree in order to position yourself as a strong candidate. It's a lot to consider and registering for the pre-health program will help you stay on track.

The pre-health program will provide you with:

- Advising from a pre-health advisor throughout your time as a student at DePaul University.
- Opportunities to learn more about undergraduate research initiatives and funding opportunities facilitated through the CSH Office of Advising and Student Services.
- Education and career planning resources to help you make sure that the career you envision is the right one for you.
- Invitations to pre-health events where you will network with other pre-health students and learn how to be a competitive graduate/professional school applicant.

These resume-building opportunities will help you stand out from the applicant pool.

Pre-Health Advising Committee (PAC)

After a pre-health student has successfully completed the General Chemistry (CHE 130-134 or equivalent) and General Biology (BIO 191-193 or equivalent) sequences with at least a C- in each course and a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA, they are eligible for Pre-Health Advising Committee (PAC) services. PAC services include:

- A dedicated faculty mentor who will assist you through the steps of applying to a professional school.
- Access to events specifically geared toward applying to professional programs.
- The opportunity to receive a pre-health advising committee letter of recommendation to professional schools of interest.

Find out more about pre-health at DePaul.

If you're interested in pursuing the pre-health program at DePaul, contact us to find out more.

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Get a jump on your professional education.

At DePaul, most pre-health students pursue an undergraduate program within a four year period. Some highly qualified pre-health students may apply for an accelerated degree option that allows the students to begin taking graduate courses at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science (RFUMS) during senior year.

Traditional bachelor's degree

The traditional path requires successful completion of a four-year degree at DePaul. During the summer before your senior year and with the help of your pre-health advisor and the PAC, you'll apply to the professional or graduate schools of your choice.

Accelerated degree options

The accelerated path requires you to attend DePaul for three years. Through The Alliance for Health Sciences, you'll have the opportunity to apply to Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science (RFUMS) after your second year. If accepted to RFUMS, you will simultaneously begin the first year of your professional program while finishing your remaining undergraduate degree requirements. The current programs available include: podiatric medicine, pharmacy, allopathic medicine, physician's assistant, physical therapy and pathologists' assistant.

Pathways Honors Program

The Pathways Honors Program is a rigorous and selective program offered in conjunction with Rosalind Franklin. Incoming first-year students are invited to apply to the Pathways Honors Program after their initial acceptance to DePaul.

In addition to receiving the same benefits as pre-health students, Pathways students also have access to mentoring from RFUMS faculty and staff, summer research projects, networking opportunities with RFUMS students and exclusive pre-professional workshops. Students also participate in a small learning community/cohort, co-taught courses with RFUMS and DePaul faculty, PAC services, priority course registration and special transcript notation.

QUESTIONS?



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