

Pre-Medical and Pre-Dental

Students who plan to pursue medicine or dentistry as a profession should select a degree program that will adequately prepare them for entry into a professional school yet provide ample opportunity to pursue additional interests in varied academic disciplines. Most professional schools stress a four-year degree program as the best possible preparation. Students may select any major; however, they and their adviser must be sure that the major program selected includes those courses required by the medical or dental school and offers sufficient free electives to include 40 to 50 hours of science.

Students interested in attending medical or dental school usually major in biochemistry, biological sciences, or chemistry. Please see the Pre-medical/Pre-dental advisor in the Department of Biological Sciences for assistance in selecting the necessary course work, taking the MCAT or DCAT, or filing an application for admission to the medical or dental school.