GETTING STARTED

Create a Medical Applicant Portal (MAP) via myNortheastern. MAP is an online resource for students and alumni to identify themselves as Pre-Med and stay informed of important dates and events. It also serves as a portfolio to help prepare students for the application process.

Our website houses a great deal of pertinent information and resources for your perusal: undergraduate.northeastern.edu/prehealth

REQUIRED COURSEWORK

Requisite courses are school specific. For detailed course requirements, please review:
- Medical School Admissions Requirements
- Osteopathic School Explorer (Choose DO Explorer)

Common courses include:
- Two semesters of Biology with labs
- Two semesters of General Chemistry with labs
- Two semesters of Organic Chemistry with labs
- Two semesters of Physics with labs
- Genetics & Molecular Biology with lab
- Biochemistry with lab
- Two semesters of Math (Calculus & Statistics)
- Two semesters of English Composition/Writing Intensive courses
- Two semesters of behavioral sciences (Psychology & Sociology) for MCAT preparation

AP credit often may not satisfy prerequisite course requirements. In this case, students should complete upper-level coursework to satisfy the requirement. Please refer to program websites for more detail on their AP credit policy.

EXPERIENTIAL PREPARATION

Community Engagement: Volunteer in your local or global community. Service experiences do not need to be within the field of healthcare, but should follow your interests and demonstrate a passion for helping those in need. Explore your campus community - join organizations that tap into your own passions and interests, such as AMSA or Pre-SOMA. Demonstrate your ability to lead. Connect with faculty and build up your professional network at Northeastern and beyond.

Research: To be an effective healthcare practitioner you must understand how treatments, drugs and therapies move from discovery and development to the bedside. Having a solid understanding of the research process allows for an informed interpretation of hypotheses, results, and translation to practice.

Clinical: Experiences within the field of healthcare are an important way to demonstrate ongoing interest in the profession and gain exposure to a diverse array of specialties. Experiences should include direct interaction with practitioners and patients, but need not be an an advanced level, such as shadowing or clinical co-op positions.

THE COMMITTEE LETTER

A committee letter is a composite letter packet consisting of a cover sheet, PreHealth committee evaluation, three faculty evaluations, a clinical evaluation, and up to two additional, optional evaluations. These letters are sent to the American Medical College Application Service upon completion. The PreHealth evaluation is a competency-based summary of a student's clinical, community engagement, and research experiences as well as academic performance during their time at Northeastern. To receive a committee letter, students must meet certain deadlines and requirements during their application year.

ENTRANCE EXAM

Pre-Med students will sit for the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT). It is recommended that four to six months are dedicated to study before taking the exam.

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