

# PRE-HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAM

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**College:** College of Science and Health

**Student Type:** Traditional Undergraduate

**Campus:** Both Lisle Campus and Mesa Campus

## Principles of Participation

Most healthcare professional schools do not require that you study a specific academic major. Many students choose Health Science or Biology because there is significant overlap of major courses and prerequisites. However, we recommend that if you have a passion in another area, you can and should major in that area. Graduates who do this find they can incorporate this area of passion into their professional life for a more satisfying career. In addition to your academic (major) advisor, all pre-health profession students should work with a pre-health advisor to guide you in choosing courses that are required for entry into the medical or other healthcare professional school of your choice. Your pre-health advisor will also work with you to ensure that your extracurricular activities are appropriate for successful admission to a healthcare professional program.

## Objectives

The Office of Pre-Health Professions Programs is responsible for supporting students interested in a health profession career. The office is the primary advising center within the University for the health professions and provides career information to students interested in medicine (allopathic and osteopathic), pharmacy, dentistry, optometry, podiatry, chiropractic, veterinary science, physician assistant, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. This office also coordinates health profession practica. Additional programs are available in Medical (Clinical) Laboratory Science, Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Nuclear Medicine Technology, and Radiation Therapy through the Bachelor of Arts in Biology program, and prepare students for progression into Rush University's MS in Respiratory Care.