

# PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

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Any undergraduate student may declare a pre-professional program in dentistry, health sciences, medicine, or law at the time of application. Continuing students may declare a pre-professional program at any time with a total cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher and for pre-dentistry, health sciences and medicine with a Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Math (BCPM) GPA of 2.8 or higher as programmed and reported by PlanMyDegree (degree audit).

## Eligibility to Continue Regulations:

All undergraduate students with declared programs of pre-dentistry, health sciences, medicine, or law will be reviewed at the conclusion of each spring term to determine their eligibility to continue in the program for the next academic year and notified prior to the start of the upcoming fall term.

Undergraduate students with a total cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher and Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Math (BCPM) GPA of 2.8 or higher as programmed and reported by PlanMyDegree (degree audit), will be eligible to continue in pre-dentistry, health sciences, and medicine. Students with a total cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher will be eligible to continue in pre-law. Such students will be notified that they continue to meet eligibility criteria.

Students whose total cumulative GPA is between 2.500 and 2.799 and/or BCPM GPA falls between the same range for pre-dentistry, health sciences, or medicine, will be allowed to continue but will be notified their academic performance is significantly below nationally reported data for admission to professional programs based on their GPA and will be invited to schedule an appointment with the Pre-Professional Health and Law Advisor.

Students whose total cumulative GPA is lower than 2.5 and/or BCPM is below 2.5 for pre-dentistry, health sciences, or medicine prior to completing seventy five (75) credit hours, will be notified that they are on warning for their respectively declared pre-professional program. Students on warning will be directed to schedule an appointment with a pre-professional advisor for consultation on admission requirements and career plans and may be referred to their academic advisor or an Exploratory MAP advisor to discuss primary plan choices.

Students with seventy-five (75) or more completed credit hours at the time of review for eligibility whose total cumulative GPA is below 2.8 and whose Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Math (BCPM) GPA as programmed and reported by PlanMyDegree (degree audit) is below 2.8 for pre-dentistry, health sciences, or medicine, will be notified that they have failed to meet eligibility to continue in the respective pre-program, and a copy of the notification with a Declaration of Major form will be submitted to the UMKC Registrar's Office for the program to be removed from the students record.

Students notified of their ineligibility and whose pre-program was removed will not be eligible to re-declare the same program.

Students may appeal once to the Director of Undergraduate Academic Advising. Petitions will be reviewed in conjunction with the Pre-Professional Health and Law Advisor, the MAP Manager for the students primary major, and the Director of Undergraduate Academic Advising. Decisions of the Director will be final.

## Academic Advising for Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Health Sciences, Pre-Medicine, and Pre-Law

Undergraduate students are assigned an academic advisor through Roo Advising. In addition, students with declared programs of pre-dentistry, pre-health sciences, pre-medicine, and pre-law are assigned a Pre-Professional Health/Law Advisor. Programming to support students in their exploration and preparation for admission to professional health and law programs are regularly available and are advertised to students through RooGroups. Students preparing for professional programs are encourage to meet early and often with a Pre-Professional Health/Law Advisor. Appointments may be scheduled through UMKC Connect or by contacting Roo Advising at (816) 235-1148 or rooadvising@umkc.edu.