

QUICK GUIDE: Common Pre-Health Pre-Requisites

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ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112) ✓ 1 year Calculus (MTH 180/181) Requirements of individual program may vary. Some programs may require or recommend Biochemistry with a lab (CH 460). Applicants must take either the MCAT or GRE. 	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 112) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ 1 semester Psychology (PSYC 101 or 222) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Some programs require or strongly recommend Exercise Physiology (EXSC 329), Biomechanics (EXSC 336), Nutrition (EXSC 301), Statistics (MTH 160 or 260), Medical Terminology (not offered at Puget Sound) and/or other courses. 	ATHLETIC TRAINING
DENTISTRY	 ✓ 3 semesters Biology (BIOL 111, 112 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111 & 112) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461) ✓ English (SSI 1/SSI 2 or ENGL course) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Some programs require Microbiology (BIOL 350), Genetics (BIOL 213), Statistics (MTH 160 or 260), Calculus (MTH 180 and/or MTH 181), Psychology, Sociology/Anthropology and other courses. A small number of programs recommend: Histology, Zoology, Immunology and/or Molecular Biology. 	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ Genetics (BIOL 213) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461) ✓ 1-2 semesters of Psychology (PSYC 101 and/or PSYC 222, varies by program) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Some programs may require or recommend Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251), and/or courses from Sociology & Anthropology. 	GENETIC COUNSELING
MEDICINE (Physician: MD or DO)	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ 1 semester Psychology (PSYC 101 or 222) ✓ 1 semester Sociology ✓ English (SSI 1/SSI 2 or ENGL course) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Some programs require Genetics (BIOL 213), Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221), Calculus (MTH 180/181), 2 semesters of Biochemistry, and/or other courses. 	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120, Some require CH 250/251) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ Microbiology (BIOL 350) ✓ Lifespan Psychology (PSYC 222) ✓ 1 semester Sociology ✓ Nutrition (EXSC 301) Individual programs may vary significantly in their requirements. Many programs require grades of B or higher in all pre-requisite courses. Some programs may require Interpersonal/Group Communication. 	NURSING
NUTRITION/ DIETETICS	 ✓ Nutrition (EXSC 301) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 semester Organic Chemistry (CH 250) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ 1 semester Psychology (PSYC 101 or 222) ✓ Microbiology (BIOL 350) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ Exercise Physiology (EXSC 329) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Some programs require Food Science & Management of Nutrition Services (neither offered at UPS), Ethics, Public Speaking, and Strength Training/Conditioning. 	 ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ 2 semesters Psychology (PSYC 220 & 221) ✓ 1 Additional 200+ level course in Psychology, Sociology or Anthropology (focus must be on individual and/or group interaction, culture or mental health) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) Requirements of individual programs vary and may also include BIOL 111/112, BIOL 350, CHEM 110/120, CHEM 250/251, PHYS 111/112, Medical Terminology* (not offered at Puget Sound), and/or English. *GLAM 120 fulfills the medical terminology requirement for the Puget Sound OTD Program. 	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

OPTOMETRY	<pre> ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112 or 121/122) ✓ Immunology (not offered at Puget Sound) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ 1 semester Calculus (MATH 180) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MATH 160 or 260) ✓ 1 semester Psychology (PSYC 101 or 222) ✓ English (SSI 1/SSI 2 or ENGL course) Requirements of individual programs may vary.</pre>	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ Microbiology (BIOL 350) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXSC 222/221) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 semester Organic Chemistry (CH 250) ✓ 1 semester Mathematics (college algebra or higher, Statistics—MTH 160 or MTH 260—may be recommended) ✓ English (SSI 1/SSI 2 or ENGL course) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Some programs may require or recommend Medical Terminology and Histology (neither offered at Puget 	PATHOLOGIST ASSISTANT
PHARMACY	<pre> ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (250/251) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112 or 121/122) ✓ 1 semester Calculus (MTH 180) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ Microbiology (BIOL 350) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461)* ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) *Some programs may require a full year of Biochemistry and/or one semester of Economics. Some programs may require only one semester of General Biology (BIOL 111 or 112) and/or only one semester of Physics (PH 111 or 121).</pre>	Sound), Biochemistry (BIOL 361) and/or Physics. ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111/112 or 111/212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112 or 121/122) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MATH 160) ✓ 2 semesters Psychology (PSYC 101 & 222) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Many programs require or strongly recommend Exercise Physiology (EXSC 329), Biomechanics (EXSC 336), Nutrition (EXSC 301), and/or other courses.	PHYSICAL THERAPY
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT (also known as Physician Associate)	 ✓ 3 semesters Biology (BIOL 111, 212 & 213) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (EXCS 222/221) ✓ Microbiology (BIOL 350) ✓ 1 semester Psychology (PSYC 101 or 222) Individual programs may vary significantly in their requirements. Some programs may require Medical Terminology (not offered at Puget Sound) and/or Biochemistry (BIOL 361). Many programs require grades of B or higher in all pre-requisite courses. 	<pre> ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111 & 212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112 or 121/122) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461) ✓ 1 semester Statistics (MTH 160 or 260) ✓ 1 semester Psychology (PSYC 101 or 222) ✓ 1 semester Sociology ✓ English (SSI 1/SSI 2 or ENGL course) Requirements of individual programs may vary. Anatomy & Physiology (EXSC 222/221) may be required.</pre>	PODIATRIC MEDICINE (PODIATRY)
PUBLIC HEALTH	Master of Public Health programs commonly do not have specific pre-requisite coursework as application requirements. Prospective MPH students can have a variety of undergraduate academic degrees, and may benefit from courses in human biology, statistics, and sociology. Students should check with any MPH programs to which they are interested in applying. Suggested courses applicable to public health may include: SOAN 360, SOAN 365, STHS 366, CONN 320, PSYC 345, BIOE 292/PHIL 292, BIOE 392, COMM 450 & IPE 331	 ✓ 1 year Biology (BIOL 111/212) ✓ 1 year General Chemistry (CH 110/120) ✓ 1 year Organic Chemistry (CH 250/251) ✓ Biochemistry (BIOL 361 or CH 460/461) ✓ 1 year Physics (PH 111/112 or 121/122) ✓ Microbiology (BIOL 350) ✓ Animal Nutrition and/or Animal Science (not offered at Puget Sound) ✓ English (SSI 1/SSI 2 or ENGL course) Most programs require: Calculus (MTH 180/181) and Statistics (MTH 160 or 260). Some programs require Public Speaking, Medical Terminology (not offered at Puget Sound), Genetics (BIOL 213), Animal Physiology (BIOL 334), Psychology and/or Sociology. 	VETERINARY MEDICINE