PRE-MEDICINE WITH ANY MAJOR

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In making decisions about admissions, MD and DO schools consider a range of factors that may vary from one school to another. All prerequisite courses need to be completed with a grade of C or higher. Average GPA of successful applicants from St. Olaf to medical school is 3.8, with an average science GPA of 3.62.

The following timeline is an example of how a student might wish to schedule prerequisite courses. Timing of these courses may change due to major requirements, study abroad experiences, cohort coursework such as Enduring Questions or CH/BI, timing of the MCAT/application, and admissions guidelines at podiatry schools for example. In addition to these courses, each student will fit in any classes required by their major. All students are strongly encouraged to meet with Professor Crisp to plan pre-med courses. All students must also consult with their advisors regarding course selection.

Most medical schools require a year of college math, typically a semester of calculus and a semester of statistics. Some schools are particular about a full year of college-level calculus. Stats for Science (STAT 212) need not be taken during the first year. PSYCH 125 or SOAN 121 are excellent options for the first semester.

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
FYS 120 or WRIT 120 OR CONV PF	First-Year Seminar or ROGRAM	1.00
World Language		1.00
CHEM 122 or CHEM 125 OR CH/ BI 125	Introductory Chemistry or	1.00
MATH 119 or MATH 120 OR MATH 1	Calculus I with Review ¹ or 2	1.00
	Credits	4
Interim		
MATH 120 or OLE CORE OR ELECTIV	Calculus I or I	1.00
	Credits	1
Spring		
WRIT 120 or FYS 120 OR CONV PRO	Writing and Rhetoric or	1.00
World Language		1.00
CHEM 126 or CH/BI 227	Energies and Rates of Chemical Reactions or Integrated Chem/Bio III: Molecular and Cellular Biology	1.00
MATH 126 or MATH 120	Calculus II or Calculus I	1.00
	Credits	4
	Total Credits	9