

Pre-Health Professions at Truman State University

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Featured Upcoming Events

UMKC Pharmacy on September 8th 12pm-1pm

Steve McDonald, Recruitment & Admissions Coordinator at UMKC Pharmacy, will be here to talk about their programs. They have Pharm. D. programs in Kansas City, Columbia, & Springfield. Building & room TBA.

ATSU Open House on September 9th 9am-1pm

ATSU is hosting an interactive open house on their Kirksville campus, including an admissions overview, lunch, and tours. All pre-health professions students are invited. Students must RSVP. Click [here](#) or contact ATSU Admissions at 660-626-2237.

DPT Education World Fair (online) on September 12th 9am-9pm

Pre-Physical Therapy students and those potentially interested in PT should consider attending this free event online. Admissions representatives from Physical Therapy schools will be present. For more information and to RSVP, click [here](#).

Important Dates & Deadlines

- **Friday, August 25th**—Free add/drop week ends at 11:59 pm.
- **Friday, October 27th**—The last day to drop a semester-long course (with a W on your transcript & a \$50 fee).



- * Pre-Chiropractic
- * Pre-Dental
- * Pre-Medical
- * Pre-Medical Technology
- * Pre-Occupational Therapy
- * Pre-Optometry
- * Pre-Pharmacy
- * Pre-Physical Therapy
- * Pre-Physician Assistant
- * Pre-Veterinary

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Timelines

At this point in the school year, most pre-health professions students should be...

First Year

- Focused on acclimating to college and adjusting to Truman's rigorous coursework
- Considering your study strategies and reflecting on how to become a successful student

Second Year

- Researching potential schools and programs. Some questions to research:
 - What are the program's pre-requisite requirements?
 - Does Truman have any special agreements with a program that you're interested in? Check out some of our agreements [here](#) and [here](#). If you have questions regarding these agreements, feel free to contact Brittany Harden, our Pre-Health Professions Coordinator.
 - What are the benefits of this program vs another one?
 - How much does this program cost? How will I pay for this program?
- Setting up a meeting with the pre-health advisor in your major (BIOL, CHEM, HS, ES) or with Brittany Harden, Pre-Health Coordinator (all other majors), to review your plan for graduation and plans for health professions school

Third Year

- Setting up a meeting with the pre-health advisor in your major (BIOL, CHEM, HS, ES) or with Brittany Harden, Pre-Health Coordinator (all other majors), to review your plan for graduation and plans for health professions school
- Narrowing down the list of schools you are interested in and setting up visits with those schools

Fourth Year

- Ensuring that your profile on the application service for your health professions area is complete and that all of your letters of recommendation and transcripts are submitted
- Setting up an appointment with the Career Center to do a mock interview in preparation for health professions interviews

For more information or questions regarding your specific pre-health profession timeline, contact [Brittany Harden](#) or the pre-health advisor in your major.

Did You Know?

We have overviews of all pre-health professions requirements & ideas on shadowing, volunteering, & research in Kirksville.

Visit <http://excellence.truman.edu/advising/pre-health-professions/> for more information!

We have a table with great information regarding pre-health professions, schools, admissions tests, and other pertinent information. We have test prep materials available for checkout.

The information table is located in the Kirk Building hallway, outside of the freshmen academic advising office (Kirk Building 107). To check out materials, contact [Brittany Harden](#) or make an appointment to meet with her.

We will have a table in the SUB on the first Thursday of each month from 10am-11am to answer any questions you might have.

The first one will be September 7th. Stop by and see Brittany!

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For more information:
[Pre-Health Professions at Truman](#)

Meet with a pre-health advisor or the pre-health coordinator:

If you are in your second year at Truman AND majoring in Biology, Chemistry, Exercise Science, or Health Science:

- You should meet with the designated pre-health advisor in your major. Depending on the department, some major advisors have a specific pre-health profession and some are versed in multiple pre-health professions.

If you are a first-year student OR a first-semester transfer OR are majoring in anything **other** than Biology, Chemistry, Exercise Science, or Health Science:

- You should meet with Brittany Harden to help guide your preparation for health professions school. You may call 660-785-7403 or stop by the advising reception desk in Kirk Building 107 (Monday-Friday 8-5pm) to make an appointment.