



Pre-Health Professions

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SPOTLIGHT: Physical Therapist

Learn more about a healthcare profession.

Education Required

All accredited Physical Therapy programs are now doctorate programs and are approximately three years post-undergraduate degree. The majority of the curriculum is classroom learning but there is also a clinical component.

Prior to applying to PT school, students complete the following requirements for physical therapy schools:

- 2 semesters of General Biology with lab: BIOL 107 & 108
- 2 semesters of General Chemistry with lab: CHEM 130 & 131
- 2 semesters of Anatomy & Physiology with lab: [BIOL 302 or BIOL 365/365L] & [BIOL 315 or 325]
- 2 semesters of General Physics with lab: PHYS 185 & 186 or PHYS 195 & 196
- 1-2 semesters of Psychology: PSYC 166 , another Psychology course

Note: some schools have additional requirements and/or strong recommendations for courses. For instance, some schools require a second semester of psychology. You will want to research the schools you are interested in and find out each school's specific requirements.

Day-to-Day

Physical Therapists (PT) diagnose and treat patients who have difficulty with normal movement or function because of a health-related issue. PTs work with other healthcare professionals to provide treatment to a variety of patients and age-groups.

Truman's Agreements with PT Schools:

- Arizona School of Health Sciences (A.T. Still University): 7 reserved spots for qualified Truman Health Science or Exercise Science majors
- Creighton University: priority consideration for admission for qualified Truman students
- Rockhurst University: up to 2 automatically accepted qualified Truman Health Science or Exercise Science majors
- Washington University: up to 3 automatically accepted qualified Truman Health Science or Exercise Science majors

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EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

[ALL]

November 5th-9th
Health Professions Week is a week-long series of interactive activities for students interested in the health professions. This is a **FREE & ONLINE** event. Click [here](#) for more information & to register.

Know about more events or resources that would be useful for pre-health students? Email me at bharden@truman.edu!

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Test Prep: INDV 320

INDV 320: Health Professions School Success Seminar

Targeting students who plan to take the MCAT or other health profession admission exam this spring or summer 2019. Designed to: support students in developing an effective plan of study for the test, assess and develop effective learning techniques, promote strong test-taking strategies, and review key concepts, particularly in biology, chemistry and physics. *Note: A full-length practice exam will be a required component of this course -- scheduling TBA. Please email instructor if you have questions regarding this.

Section 1: 1st Block

- January 14-March 6
- CRN 2568
- Monday & Wednesday 11:30-12:50pm
- 20 seats available
- Register as you normally do for all courses.

Section 2: 2nd Block

- March 7-May 10
- CRN 2569
- Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-2:50pm
- 20 seats available
- Must get an override for this section. Email bharden@truman.edu

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RESOURCES & SUPPORT

Truman has a pre-health professions page with lots of great resources, such as overviews of the different pre-health paths, ideas on shadowing/volunteering/research in Kirksville, archives of all the weekly newsletters, and details about our agreements with health professions schools! Click [HERE](#) to visit the page.



Truman has a table with great information about pre-health professions, schools, admission tests, and more. Test prep materials are also available for checkout. The table is located in the Kirk Building, outside of the freshmen academic advising office (Kirk Building 107).

We have an MCAT/Health Admissions Test Prep Course. The course is currently titled INDV 320: MCAT/Med School Success Seminar, and it is open to all students who will be taking an admission test for a health professions school (MCAT, DAT, OAT, etc.) in the next six months to a year. If you have questions regarding this course, contact Brittany Harden.



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Click [HERE](#) to make an appointment

If you are in your second year or later at Truman AND majoring in Biology, Chemistry, Exercise Science, Health Science, or Agricultural 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 majoring in anything other than the majors above:

You should meet with Brittany Harden to help guide your preparation for health professions school. You may call 660-785-7403 (Monday-Friday 8am-5pm) or click [HERE](#) to make an appointment.