



Northeastern University

# PreHealth Advising Program

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- Academic Excellence
- Distinctive Experiences
- Dedication and Initiative

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# Who is the Program for?

All Northeastern students & alums  
considering careers in:

- Allopathic (MD) or Osteopathic (DO) Medicine
- Dentistry
- Optometry
- Podiatry
- Veterinary Medicine



# Can I be a pre-med major?

- NO!
- Why not?
- Because there's no such thing!
- Choice of major should be driven by interests and education goals.
- You can major in *any field* and go on to medical school.\*

\*Caveat for students majoring outside of the Life Sciences: you need to be even more organized!

# Are NU Students Successful?

Yes!

Our alums have gained admission to medical, dental, optometry, podiatry, and veterinary schools across the country.

# What Determines Success?

The Applicant's Record!

# Where Are Some NU Alums Now?

Albert Einstein College of Medicine  
Arizona College of Optometry  
AT Stills College of Osteo. Med.  
Boston University Sch. of Medicine  
Boston Univ. School of Dental Med.  
Cooper Medical Sch. of Rowan Univ.  
Dartmouth Medical School  
Des Moines Coll. of Podiatric Med.  
Geo. Washington Univ. Sch. Of Med.  
Georgia Hlth. Sci. Sch. of Dent. Med.  
Harvard Medical School  
Lake Erie Coll. of Osteopathic Med.  
New England College of Optometry  
New York Coll. of Osteopathic Med.  
New York Coll. of Podiatry  
New York Medical College

Philadelphia Coll. of Osteopathic Med  
Stony Brook Univ. Sch. of Medicine  
Tufts Univ. School of Medicine  
Tufts Univ. Sch. of Dental Medicine  
Univ. of Chicago Pritzker Sch. of Med.  
UMASS Medical School  
UMDNJ-Robt Wood Johnson  
Univ. of Michigan Sch. of Dental Med.  
Univ. of NE Coll of Osteopathic Med.  
Univ. of Wisconsin Sch. of Medicine  
Univ. of Vermont College of Medicine  
Univ. of Utah Sch. of Medicine  
Wake Forest College of Medicine  
Wayne State Univ. Sch. of Medicine  
Wm M. Scholl College of Podiatry



# What does it take?

- Academic Excellence
  - Rigorous program of study
  - Competitive GPA *and* admissions test scores
- Experience & Engagement
  - Research, Clinical, & Community Service
  - Personal relationships with mentors
- Personal Qualities
  - For example, dedication, leadership, maturity, empathy
- Preparation

The NU Advantage: Academics + Experiential Learning + Advising!



If you are considering medicine  
as a career choice,  
we ask you to:

Explore, Study, & Plan



# Explore

- Co-op
  - Local, National
  - International
- Research
  - Honors, directed study, courses, co-ops, volunteer, work-study
- Service-Learning
- Study Abroad
- Volunteering
- Shadowing





# STUDY

Requirements vary considerably, but often include the following\*:

- 2 years each of Biology and Chemistry
- 1 year of Physics
- 1 year of English (typically Literature + Writing)
- 1 year of Math (typically Calc and/or Stats)
- Many programs also include Social Science/ Humanities requirements

\* Caveat: the AP conundrum



# PLAN

Use our website and your MedAppTrak account

Attend meetings & workshops

Engage in student organizations: Pre-MD and DO clubs, Pre-dental, Minority PreHealth, Pre-vet + more

Meet with advisors including:

Academic (college) advisor, major advisor, co-op advisor, and PreHealth advisor



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## Welcome!

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The purpose of the University PreHealth Advising Program is to provide resources and advising to members of the Northeastern community (students and alums) in all NU colleges and all NU fields of study regarding professional school expectations, preparation requirements, and application processes.

Our mission is to both facilitate the success of NU applicants and be a trusted source of competent and caring health professionals. We work with students and alums considering careers in the areas of allopathic medicine (MD), osteopathic medicine, dentistry, optometry, podiatric medicine, or veterinary medicine.

The NU PreHealth website provides access to on-line resources, a calendar of workshops, presentations, and special events, as well as information about how to request individualized advising, and how to network with other PreHealth students, NU alums who are current medical students, and healthcare professionals.

[AspiringDocs.org](http://AspiringDocs.org)

**You can change  
the face of medicine.**





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### **WELCOME TO MEDAPPTRAK!**

MedAppTrak is a secure password-protected database for NU students and alums.

Use your MedAppTrak (MAT) account to plan, navigate and record your strategy for achieving your goals. Stay on track for applying to health professional schools in the field you have chosen, when the time comes. Contact your PreHealth Advisor to help you, too! *(Other than you, only NU Advisors may see the information you enter.)*

Before you begin, please click on the "MedAppTrak Overview" tab in the Main Menu located on the left side of the page. This tab will provide you with a plan to complete before you enter data.

### **Contact Us**

Please note the **Contact Us** tab in the MedAppTrak Main Menu. Use this tab to find out how to contact us during Walk-In Hours.

### **Student/Applicant Pages**

The PreHealth Advising Program website also has a password-protected section, the Student/Alum

*Come explore with us...  
Your journey starts here!*



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*Visit us at:* [www.northeastern.edu/prehealth](http://www.northeastern.edu/prehealth)