PreHealth Advising Program

- 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.
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
Welcome!

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

You can change the face of medicine.
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 that is appropriate. Ask 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 of the page 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 your advisor during Walk-In Hours.

Student/Applicant Pages

The PreHealth Advising Program website also has a password-protected section, the Student/Applicant Pages.
Come explore with us…
Your journey starts here!

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