

Pre-Medical, Pre-Osteopathic, Pre-Dental, Pre-Veterinary, and Pre-Podiatric Programs

In most cases, successful applicants to medical, osteopathic, dental, and podiatric schools have completed a B.A. or B.S. degree. The baccalaureate degree major may be in any field of study. Four courses in chemistry, three in biology, two in physics, two in mathematics and two in English are required by most medical, osteopathic, podiatric, and dental schools. The requirement for a large number of science courses probably explains the fact that, at Siena Heights University, most successful applicants to these professional schools hold baccalaureate degree majors in biology.

Admission to professional programs in the various areas of health services is highly competitive. Hence, the student whose goal is a career in the health professions is advised:

1. To develop a good grade point average beginning with his/her first semester in college.
2. To obtain work or volunteer experience related to his/her career goal.
3. To participate in some extra-curricular activities to develop leadership potential and to broaden his/her spheres of interest.
4. To plan carefully to meet the financial requirements of extensive training.
5. Most Siena Heights University students planning to attend medical or veterinary school normally major in Biology. Students should consult with a science advisor during the first year.