

BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE PREREQUISITE COURSES

Required coursework must be applicable towards a traditional science degree and completed with a letter grade of C or higher.

The information in this table is based on the Baylor College of Medicine web page as of the date of this document and consultations between the UT Austin Health Professions Office and the Baylor College of Medicine Admissions Office.

Baylor does not accept Credit-by-Exam (such as AP and IB) for any of the prerequisites specified below.

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| Advanced Biology (3 - 4 hours) | Examples: BIO 325 or BIO 325H BIO 320 BIO 344 BIO 446L BIO 365S | Other relevant advanced biology courses are accepted. Lab is not required. |
| Organic Chemistry (6 - 8 hours) | CH 320M and CH 320N OR CH 328M and CH 328N | Lab is not required. |
| Biochemistry (3 - 4 hours) | BCH 369 OR BCH 339F | The older courses CH 369 and CH 339K also satisfy the biochem requirement. BCH 339F was numbered BIO 337 in Sprg and Summer 2014. |
| Physics | See Math section below. | |
| Math (3 - 4 hours) | Examples: SDS 302F SDS 320E STA 371G M 408N, S, K, L, C, or D PHY 317K, 302K | Biostatistics (SDS 320E) is preferred, but any course with quantitative math, such as statistics, calculus, or physics can be used to fulfill this requirement. A statistics course must be math-based to be accepted. |
| Expository Writing (3 - 4 hours) | Examples: RHE 306 RHE 309K UGS 302 or 303 with writing flag | Can be satisfied by any course with the writing flag including upper-division liberal arts and science courses, an Honors Thesis, or a major research paper. |
| Humanities and Social/Behavioral Sciences (12 hours) | Examples: PSY 301 SOC 302 E 316K ANT 301 PHL | Can be satisfied with courses in psychology, sociology, anthropology, foreign languages, ethics, philosophy, literature, music history, art history, upper division classical civilization, upper division history, upper division government, and theology. |
| Spanish is recommended | SPN | Foreign language hours can be counted toward the Humanities and Social/Behavioral Sciences requirement. |

FOR THE MOST CURRENT COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, SEE THEIR WEB SITE.

<https://www.bcm.edu/education/schools/medical-school/admissions/requirements>

Baylor College of Medicine does not require General Biology and General Chemistry. It is understood that students must have earned credit for these either in the classroom or by exam. Although these are not required by BCM, taking them in the college classroom gives you an opportunity to add strength to your Science and Overall GPAs and prepares you for success in advanced science courses at UT Austin.

BCM does not specifically require Physics; however, 3-4 hours of Physics can be applied to the Math requirement. Most medical schools do require Physics, and taking it in the college classroom helps in preparation for the MCAT and the development of analytical thinking and problem-solving skills.

To help students and academic advisors with registration/degree planning see [TIME LINE for PRE-MEDICAL COURSES](#) on the [PRE-MEDICAL PATHWAY page](#) under PREREQUISITES, TIME LINE & STATISTICS.

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