

# PRE-MEDICAL AND PRE-HEALTH

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## Pre-Health at the School of Professional and Continuing Studies

The Fordham Post-Baccalaureate Pre-Med/Pre-Health Program (PBPH) is for college graduates interested in a career in the health professions and who need prerequisite science courses. The program offers the pre-health curriculum in the evening during the academic year and summer sessions to prepare students for application to medical, dental, physician assistant, veterinary, nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, accelerated nursing, or anesthesiology assistant programs.

This program is flexible and intended to meet the demands of adult students and career changers. Entry terms are fall, spring, and summer. The minimum GPA requirement is a 3.0 from undergraduate programs.

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### Unique Features

- Flexibility: students are able to start in any semester and take the program at their own pace.
- Evening program: we target career changers and working professionals. Courses are offered in the evening and on weekends.
- Financial Aid: Fordham is one of the few programs that provides eligibility for subsidized or unsubsidized Stafford loans of up to \$12,500 for one year for post-baccalaureate students (subject to individual student approval).
- Personal advising: one-on-one advising is a key part of the program. We work with you on your program plan, academic progress, and the committee process if applicable.
- The Fordham brand and a rigorous curriculum.
- Small class sizes provide an opportunity to meet fellow students and get to know your professors.
- Availability of required courses (no wait lists).
- The Fordham and post-bac student community: you are a member of the Fordham University and post-bac student communities. You have access to all resources at Fordham. The post-bac community is supportive and progressive.

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### Post-Bac Committee on Health Professions (CHP)

The Fordham Post-Baccalaureate Program Committee on Health Professions (CHP) process is a comprehensive one which provides candidates with several workshops and support to prepare them for the medical school application process. The CHP process includes a committee interview and committee letter.

In order to apply for the CHP process, students must meet the following criteria:

- Minimum 3.2 GPA.
- Minimum 150 hours of health-related work and/or volunteer experience.
- Minimum 30 credits of coursework taken in the Fordham post-baccalaureate program or the PCS undergraduate program only. Additionally, students must have attended classes in the Fordham post-bac program for at least 2 semesters (not including summer sessions) prior to applying to the CHP process.
- Completion and submission of CHP process application.

Students may apply for the CHP process up to one application cycle after leaving the Fordham post-baccalaureate program.

Students completing or who have completed a Fordham College undergraduate degree or post-baccalaureate work at another program are not eligible for the Fordham post-bac CHP process.

All courses in the basic curriculum must be completed prior to, or concurrent with the professional school admissions test, and no later than the end of the first summer session of the application year in which the committee evaluation is sought. The committee evaluation letter is based on a student's academic portfolio which includes the following: coursework; transcripts; personal statement; self-assessment and biographical information on personal history, including volunteer and/or internship experience and research experience; faculty recommendations; and a personal interview with members of the committee.

### For more information

Visit the Post-Baccalaureate Pre-Medical/Pre-Health Program web page.

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