

MEDICAL SCHOOLS PREREQUISITE COURSES TIME LINE

This time line includes the pre-medical course requirements for Texas and most U. S. medical schools. These courses are also preparatory for the MCAT.

Six semesters or longer, regardless of the student's age or year in college, are generally required to complete the pre-medical courses and extra-curricular activities.

Many students finish prerequisites in Year 4 or later and have a bridge year or years. This bridge from undergraduate to medical school is an opportunity to become more competitive for admission and better prepared for the rigors of professional education, training, and professional life.

For COURSE OPTIONS & DETAILS see the PREREQUISITE COURSES PDFs (for TMDAS, Baylor, and TCU) on the [PRE-MEDICAL PATHWAY page](#) under PREREQUISITES, TIME LINE & STATISTICS

5 – YEAR PLAN including BRIDGE YEAR

Many students spread their medical school prerequisites over 3-1/2 to 4 years and use the additional time as an opportunity to become more competitive and better prepared.

SEMESTER 1

CH 301
RHE 306
PSY 301

SEMESTER 2

CH 302
CH 204
BIO 311C

Summer

SEMESTER 3

CH 320M
BIO 311D
BIO 206L

SEMESTER 4

CH 320N
CH 220C
E 316L, M, N, or P

Summer

SEMESTER 5

BIO 325
Statistics
SOC 302

SEMESTER 6

BCH 369
BIO 3hrs

Summer

SEMESTER 7

PHY 317K
PHY 105M
Humanities 3 hrs

SEMESTER 8

PHY 317L
PHY 105N
MCAT Prep
MCAT in April or May

Summer

Apply early summer
Interviews start in August

BRIDGE YEAR OPTIONS

Additional required and/or recommended courses and activities to prepare for medical school and to strengthen competitiveness if it becomes necessary to reapply [See Note Below]

Work in health care setting

Work in non-health care setting while volunteering and shadowing medical professionals

A combination of the above