

# Pre-Medicine

## Typical pre-requisites for admission to medical school:

- One year of Biology and One quarter of Lab
- One year of General Chemistry and One quarter of Lab
- One year of Organic Chemistry and One quarter of Lab
- One year of General Physics including Lab
- One year of Calculus (10 or 20 series)
- One year of English Composition (MMW can satisfy)
- Humanities and Social Science courses (regional specialization or fine art can satisfy)
- One course each in: Genetics, Physiology, and Biochemistry

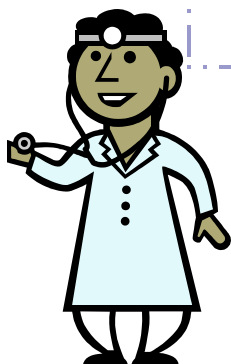


## REMEMBER....

- There is no required or preferred undergraduate major for students who wish to become physicians.
- Students interested in medicine should major in a field which engages them, in which they can perform well, and which might lead to an alternate career should they ultimately not continue their education in medicine.
- Students should seek activities they find interesting to enhance the development of interpersonal skills, study habits and time management skills. Examples could include: volunteering, interning, 197 & 199 electives (independent study/research opportunities), or working in the health care field.
- Admissions committees are interested in each applicant's **demonstrated** ability to communicate successfully with others, to think critically, to deal with complex information and situations and to be able to problem solve.
- Admissions committees are **most** interested in applicants who are self-learners, mature, interested in serving others, have common sense and the ability to persevere.

## 2005 Admission Trends

Average age of students starting medical school is 24  
Published median science GPA for California Medical schools is 3/6 - 3.8



## PRE-PROFESSIONAL ADVISING

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