

Pre-Law Pre-Med/Pre-Health Pre-Science Pre-Engineering

The College of Arts & Sciences offers a number of programs to prepare students to pursue majors and careers in a variety of areas. Four of our most popular programs are Pre-Law, Pre-Med/Pre-Health, Pre-Science and Pre-Engineering.

These programs are not "majors", but rather are programs designed to prepare students for majors in specific fields of interest. We help students determine their desired path and meet any needed requirements to be admitted into their major of choice, or to prepare for admission into medical school, law school or other professional programs.

Pre-Law

The Pre-Law program prepares students for admission into a quality law school. Students will work with our Pre-Law Advisor and will select recommended courses that will help them prepare for the academic rigor of law school and the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). The program assists students in being well positioned to succeed in their legal education and career.

As the Pre-Law program is not a "major", Pre-Law students are encouraged to choose a major of interest that will help them develop their reading, writing, and analytical skills. Students may choose any major across the university when planning to pursue admittance to law school, however some of the most popular options include Political Science, Philosophy, and Crime & Justice Studies.

Pre-Law students may also consider the 3+3 Program with UMass School of Law, which provides a fast track to a law degree in six rather than seven years. The program leads to a bachelor's degree at UMassD and a Juris Doctor degree with UMass School of Law.

The contact information for our Pre-Law Advisor can be found here: <https://www.umassd.edu/pre-law/pre-law-advisor/>.

Pre-Science

The Pre-Science Program is designed for students who are not directly admitted into a science major, but whose goal is to pursue a career in the sciences. You'll take the courses you need in order to make a smooth transition into any of UMassD's biology or chemistry majors. Students in the Pre-Science Program are typically looking to declare a major in Biology (including Marine Biology), Chemistry or Bio-Chemistry.

In your first year, you will focus on essential courses that prepare you for a rigorous science curriculum. As you make progress toward your degree, please review the eligibility and curriculum requirements that will allow you to declare one of the science majors. These can be found here: <https://www.umassd.edu/cas/student-success/pre-science/>.

Pre-Health/Pre-Med

The Pre-Med/Pre-Health Program helps you develop the knowledge and skills necessary for future success in medical and health-related careers. These careers can include professions in chiropractic, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, podiatry, or veterinary science.

As the program is not a "major", Pre-Health/Pre-Med students are encouraged to choose a major of interest. The program's advisors will assist you in choosing a major that's right for you, and will recommend the science and math courses that will prepare you for admission to medical school and health-related professional programs. Some of the more popular majors for Pre-Health/Pre-Med students include Biology, Bioengineering, Biotechnology, Chemistry/ Biochemistry, Health and Society, Medical Laboratory Science, Nursing, and Psychology. Learn more here: <https://www.umassd.edu/premed/>.

Pre-Engineering

The Pre-Engineering Program is designed for students who are not directly admitted into the College of Engineering, but whose goal is to pursue a major and career in engineering. Students looking to enter an engineering program must satisfy the requirements listed here in order to enter the major of their choice: <https://www.umassd.edu/engineering/change-major/>. The Pre-Engineering Program in the College of Arts & Sciences assists students in working towards these requirements and in choosing a major that is most of interest to them.

If all the requirements for the desired engineering major are met prior to the completion of their third semester, Pre-Engineering students will be automatically placed into the program of their choice within the College of Engineering. If the requirements are not met, the student will need to declare a major outside of Engineering. Professional advisors can assist with this decision.

More information on the College of Engineering at UMassD can be found here: <https://www.umassd.edu/engineering/student-success/pre-engineering-track/>



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