Professional School Advising

Post-Baccalaureate Programs

What is a post-baccalaureate program? The post-baccalaureate program offers students an opportunity to either to finish prerequisite courses or to improve their academic standing for a more competitive application. Some students may also take this opportunity to advance their career or prepare them for graduate or professional school.

Some programs will also offer internships and preceptorship experiences, preparation for admission tests, or volunteer hours.

There are several programs in the state of Texas and throughout the nation. The most common is an accelerated, one-year program, for students who have completed their undergraduate pre-med preparations and want to enhance their qualifications for entrance into medical or dental school.

Programs range from 12 – 24 months and are designed to prepare students for acceptance into medical and dental schools, but at a slightly less rigorous pace.

Selection Criteria: This varies for each program, but most require a 3.0 GPA and a 496 MCAT score (17 DAT). These programs are very selective, and many have class sizes of less than 50 students each year. Most programs require a bachelor's degree, but all require that you have demonstrated academic excellence, proof of care giving experience (such as volunteer work), and you'll need to provide letters of recommendation.

Financial aid: These schools do not provide financial aid scholarships, only federal loans. They are also very costly and that should be a factor in your decision to apply.

Note: **Successful completion** of a post-baccalaureate program does not guarantee admission into a medical or dental school.

Please see next page for a list of Texas post-baccalaureate programs and their requirements.

Post-baccalaureate Programs in Texas:

	Baylor COM	Baylor	Texas A&M University (BIMS)	Texas A&M University (COM)	Texas A&M University Dental	Texas Tech University HSC	University of Houston	University of Incarnate Word	University of North Texas HSC	University of Texas at Dallas
Certification Received	Certificate in BIMS and health equity	M.S. in Medical Science	M.S. in BIMS	M.S. in Medical Sciences	Acceptance into dental program	Certificate, then allows students to apply to the M.S in BIMS	M.S. in BIOL & BIMS grad certificate	M.S in BIMS	M.S in Medical Sciences	Certificate in BIMS
Location	Houston	Online	College Station	Bryan/ College Station	Dallas	El Paso	Houston	San Antonio	Ft. Worth	Richardson
Phone #	713.798.2418	254.710.35 05	979.845.6161	979.436.0311	214.828.83 32	915.215.8000	713.743.7311	210.289.6998	817.735.2789	972.883.67 67
Minimum GPA	3.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	N/A	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.75
Required Test	GRE or MCAT	Optional GRE or MCAT	N/A	N/A	DAT 15	MCAT	GRE or MCAT	GRE, DAT, PCAT or MCAT	MCAT, DAT, PCAT	N/A
Enrollment	40	75	30 - 50	~20	Up to 16	20		45-50		30
Time to Complete	1 year	1 year	18 months	18-24 months	1 year	2 years	1 year	1 year	1 year	1 year
Tuition for program	\$19,000	\$1,000 per credit hour	TAMU tuition calculator	TAMU tuition calculator	\$17,000	\$2,391.60 for residents or \$6,063.60 for non-residents	UH tuition calculator	UIW tuition calculator	HSC tuition calculator	UTD tuition calculator
How to Apply	BCM Portal		GraduateCAS	GraduateCAS	TAMHSC Portal	TTUHSC Portal	<u>UH Portal</u>	UIW Portal	UNT Portal	See website for info
Application Opens	February 1	October 18	Fall – Early Aug Spring – Early Jan	Early August	Contact school	Early Sept.	Mid Sept.	November	Summer	Mid Sept.
Application Closes	May 17		Fall – June 1 Spring – Nov 1	June 15	Early Feb	Late May	March 1	Rolling until filled	Varies Contact School	Feb. 14
Admission Notification	March - May		Varies – contact school	Rolling admission mid-April to mid-June	Late March	June	Rolling Admissions	Rolling Admissions	Rolling Admissions	Rolling Admissions
Application Fees	None	None	\$89	\$89	Contact school	\$45	\$50	\$50	\$185	\$50
LORs	HPAC or 2 LORs	2	3	2	2	2	3	3	2	0
Program Begins	Fall	Fall, Spring, Summer	Fall and Spring	Fall	Mid-late May	Fall	Summer	August	Varies. Contact School	Varies. Contact School

^{*}Successful completion of the program is required.

Please note: All information is subject to change at any time without notice. It is the responsibility of the applicant to remain up-to-date on all requirements.

For out of state medical programs:

For out of state dental programs:

https://www.aamc.org/

https://explorehealthcareers.org/

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