

## What Do I Need to be Working On?

**Instructions:** This is a good outline when creating a list of activities. Starting your list early will save you time later. Anything after HS is fair game. **Creating your outline from this list** doesn't replace speaking with a professional school advisor in the Career Center. Call 979.847.8938 to schedule an appointment with your pre-professional advisor.

Medical, Dental, Nursing, PA, and Pharmacy: Complete A-G

**Vet:** Complete B-G, your experience will be animal care hours and veterinary experience. All HS experiences count for Vet applicants <u>only</u>.

**OT and PT:** Complete A-G, your healthcare experience requires additional info (speak with your preprofessional advisor)

Law: Complete B-G

A. **HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE**: Shadowing, paid, volunteer, etc. specific to the health profession you are applying for.

## B. NON-HEALTHCARE RELATED COMMUNITY SERVICE: Individual or student org service

- C. **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**: Student orgs, outside activities, personal activities, etc.
- D. **LEADERSHIP**: Officer position(s) (elected or volunteer), supervisor roles, leadership conference, committee chair, etc.
- E. <u>HONORS/AWARDS</u>: Dean's Honor Roll and/or Distinguished Student, scholarships, honor societies, student awards, etc.
- F. **WORK**: (*pre-health note*: for most applications this section does not include paid healthcare experience.)
- G. **RESEARCH**: For credit, zero hour, UG/Grad, certificate, non-certificate, research assistant, etc.

Important OPSA links/resources	
Career Center-Professional School Advising (OPSA)	<u>tx.ag/opsa</u>
Listservs	<u>tx.ag/opsalistservs</u>
Calendar	<u>tx.ag/opsacalendar</u>
OPSA Handouts (Dental, Law, Med, Nursing, Occupational Therapy (OT), Pharmacy, Physician Assistant (PA), Physical Therapy (PT), Vet)	tx.ag/opsahandouts
OPSA Videos-Intro to advising, informationals, workshops & more	<u>tx.ag/opsavideos</u>
OPSA Volunteer Handout and TAMU service-learning and volunteer opportunity directory	tx.ag/opsavolunteer aggieserve.tamu.edu
Joint Admission Medical Program (JAMP)	tx.ag/JAMP
OPSA Student Organizations	tx.ag/opsastudentorgs
Workshops	tx.ag/opsaworkshops
Admissions Stats for Dent, Law, Med, Pharmacy, PA, PT & Vet	<u>tx.ag/opsastats</u> <u>tx.ag/AggieAdvantage</u>

## **Important Dates:**

- MSC Open House-Fall & Spring Semesters <u>mscopenhouse.tamu.edu</u>
- Law School Fair-Fall Semester tx.ag/lawcaravan
- Second Year Informational-Fall Semester <u>tx.ag/opsaworkshops</u>
- Health Professions Symposium-Spring Semester <u>tx.ag/healthsymposium</u>
- First Year Informational-Spring Semester <u>tx.ag/opsaworkshops</u>

<ul> <li>Grades come first.</li> <li>Major in what you like &amp; demonstrate academic excellence.</li> <li>Gap years are common. OPSA is here to help current and Former Students.</li> <li>Take Chemistry your first semester, and continue taking chemistry each fall/spring semester (<u>do not</u> break the sequence). <i>N/A for pre-nursing &amp; pre-OT</i></li> <li>Take two semester courses at same college/university.</li> <li>Taking two science courses per semester should be your goal.</li> <li>Don't accept AP credit without speaking with both your Academic &amp; PSA advisors.</li> <li>Build relationships with professors, healthcare professionals, mentors, supervisors, etc. throughout college because you will need letters of recommendations.</li> <li>Network with healthcare providers:         <ul> <li><u>tx.ag/FindanAggie</u></li> </ul> <ul> <li>Major in what you like &amp; demonstrate academic excellence.</li> <li>Gap years are common. PSA is here to help current and Former Students.</li> <li>Build relationships with professors, healthcare professionals, mentors, supervisors, etc. throughout college because you will need letters of recommendations.</li> <li>Network with healthcare providers:</li></ul></li></ul>
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