Summer/Fall 2016 Pre-Health Advising

Course registration for summer and fall will begin on March 28th. Get Advised Early!

Reminders for Pre-Health Students:

- **Upper Classmen (Sophomores-Seniors):** Remember that pre-professional advising comes AFTER you meet with your major advisor. Go to your major advisor to have your advising PIN cleared.

- To schedule an appointment for pre-health advising, please visit: [http://appointment.as.ua.edu/](http://appointment.as.ua.edu/)

- Course registration time tables will be available on March 1st.

- **2017 Med/Dent/Opt Applicants:** By now you should have a plan for how you will prepare for your standardized exam (MCAT, DAT, OAT) and you should have a list of people who can potentially write a great letter of recommendation for you. If you are feeling lost about your next steps or have any concerns, check-in with your pre-health advisor EARLY to have your questions answered.

- First-Year A&S Students may attend Express Advising for quick advising & to have your advising PIN cleared. Dates and times listed on the following page.
Express Academic Advising for College of Arts & Sciences Students

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Don’t know who your academic advisor is? Or when to see your academic advisor? If you have declared a major, check your college’s website for more information about academic advising. Regardless of your major, all pre-health students are encouraged to schedule an appointment to meet with their pre-health advisor for pre-health advising once per semester. Visit http://appointment.as.ua.edu/ to schedule an appointment.

Students United with America’s Toothfairy
A New Pre-Health Student Organization

Students United with America’s Toothfairy (SUAT) reaches out to at-risk children in the Tuscaloosa area about oral health education and prevention. SUAT members fight against pediatric oral disease as oral health champions, mentors, and role models to younger children. Recently awarded with their first grant, SUAT is preparing to make a difference in the Tuscaloosa community. Pre-health students who are interested in serving their community, advocating for oral health, and working with diverse populations should e-mail uatoothfairy@gmail.com for more information on how to get involved.

Live What You Learn
Information Sessions Hosted by Experiential Learning Services

Interested in Undergraduate Research?

February 23rd at 12 noon in Woods 115

Opportunities in many fields are available for UA students to work with faculty on research projects. All majors are encouraged to consider this program to gain valuable experience.

Career Chats: Résumé & Skills Development

March 22nd at 4 p.m. in the Career Center

Translate your skills into a résumé that gets noticed!

Visit http://www.experientiallearning.as.ua.edu for more information and/or to inquire about group appointments.
Sophomore Workshop
Résumé & Core Competencies

The second session of the sophomore workshop series will cover how to prepare an academic résumé, shadowing, and core competencies. Pre-health sophomores are invited to attend on Wednesday, February 24th at 1:30 p.m. in 3700 Ferguson. Arrive early as seating is limited. The third and final sophomore workshop for the 2015-2016 academic year will be held in April. More information will be announced soon.

Fee Assistance for Application Expenses

Available Assistance Programs

Applying to health professions graduate programs can be expensive. Below are resources that provide assistance to students who meet certain criteria:

- **Pre-Medical Students**: For information about AAMC’s Fee Assistance Program, please visit: [https://students-residents.aamc.org/applying-medical-school/applying-medical-school-process/fee-assistance-program](https://students-residents.aamc.org/applying-medical-school/applying-medical-school-process/fee-assistance-program) for more information.

- **Pre-Optometry Students**: For information about OAT’s Partial Fee Waiver Information, please visit: [http://www.ada.org/en/oat](http://www.ada.org/en/oat)

- **Pre-Dental Students**: For information about ADEA’s Fee Assistance Program, please visit: [http://www.adea.org/dental_education_pathways/aadsas/Applicants/GeneralInstructions/Pages FeeAssistanceProgram.aspx](http://www.adea.org/dental_education_pathways/aadsas/Applicants/GeneralInstructions/Pages FeeAssistanceProgram.aspx)

*Additional resources may be available for other pre-health students. Please see your HP advisor for more details.

Attention Pre-Dental Students:

Sophomore Interviews

Dr. Steve Filler from the University of Alabama at Birmingham’s School of Dentistry will be conducting Sophomore Interviews on Tuesday, February 16th & Wednesday, February, 17th in 200 Clark Hall. Interviews are one-on-one, 30-minute sessions that allow you to get feedback and to ask questions related to dentistry school that you may have. Interviews will be conducted from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. on those two dates.

*Sign-up sheets available at the front desk of Clark Hall.
Announcements:

- Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine (ACOM) will host a winter open house on Saturday, February 6th from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Prospective students will have the opportunity to meet with ACOM faculty, current students, and admissions directors. This event is free of charge. Please see attached flyer for more information.
- MCAT registration for June—September 2016 test dates will be available on February 10th. Follow @AAMC_MCAT for updates & announcements.
- UA Career Center’s Health & Social Services Career Fair will be held on February 12th at 12 noon in the Ferguson Ballroom.
- AAMC will host a virtual medical school fair on February 4th. Interested pre-med students should visit: https://www.aamcmedschoolfair.com/ to register.
- StudySoup is currently accepting applications for paid spring internships. For more information, visit: https://studysoup.com/internship.
- The Honors College application for 2016-2017 Medicine and Community is now available. For more information, visit: http://honors.ua.edu/medicineandcommunity/

Dates to Remember:

- February 16th & 17th: Sophomore Interviews with Dr. Steve Filler, UAB School of Dentistry.
- February 24th: Sophomore Workshop: Résumé & Core Competencies at 1:30 p.m., 3700 Ferguson Center.
- March 1st: Application deadline for UAB School of Medicine’s Huntsville Rural Pre-Medical Internship.
- March 1st: Application deadline for A&S scholarship applications. Application can be found on your MyBama account. Students in other colleges should check for college-specific scholarships.
- March 11th - 18th: Classes dismissed for Spring Break.
- March 28th: Registration for summer & fall 2016 begins.
- March 30th: Last day to drop a course with a grade of W.
- March 30th: 2016 UA Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Conference.

Pre-Health Advisors Alpha Split:

Your Health Professions Advisor is able to discuss competitiveness for health professions graduate programs, co-curricular activities, standardized testing for graduate school, etc. Find your pre-health advisor by the first letter of your last name.

- Julia Agnew - Eve Machado - Latandra Smith - Marian Denham
  - julia.agnew@ua.edu  - eve.machado@ua.edu  - latandra.smith@ua.edu  - marian.denham@ua.edu
The website for ACOM’s Winter Open House is up and running! This event is free of charge and provides prospective students the opportunity to meet and greet with ACOM faculty, students and Admissions Directors. Open House will include a campus tour led by current ACOM Ambassadors, an Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM) demonstration and a Patient Simulation presentation. This is an event you do not want to miss!

Please visit http://www.acomedu.org/open-house to register.
Be part of a lifesaving journey.  
**Donate blood.**

University of Alabama  
Housing and Residential Life  
Blood Drive

**Wednesday, March 2\(^{nd}\)**  
12 noon to 5 pm

Burke Hall Game Room  
920 Hackberry Lane  
Tuscaloosa AL  35405

You may make an appointment online at redcrossblood.org or donate as a walk-in

Utilize RapidPass at redcrossblood.org/rapidpass  
Health history online

Download the Blood Donor App | redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS

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