PRE-PROFESSIONAL STUDIES AT CMU

Preparing for a Career in **MEDICINE**

Please note the following policy for international students wishing to study Medicine in Canada: "The University of Manitoba Max Rady College of Medicine restricts enrolment in the MD Program to Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents of Canada. No applications are accepted from international students." Click HERE to learn more.

Completing a Bachelor of Arts at Canadian Mennonite University (CMU) could prepare you to meet the entrance requirements for a graduate program in Medicine. This page explains what you must do if you wish to continue studies at the University of Manitoba to earn the Doctor of Medicine. If you intend to continue studies at some other university, similar possibilities exist. It is important, however, that you inquire about admission and program requirements at the university you are considering and that you work with the Coordinator of Student Advising at CMU to construct a program of studies at CMU that will achieve your objectives.

If you intend to earn the Doctor of Medicine at the University of Manitoba, it is possible for you to complete a baccalaureate degree at CMU and enter the Doctor of Medicine Program at the University of Manitoba without adding to the time it would take if you were to go directly to the University of Manitoba.

To become eligible for admission to the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba, you must present a three- or four-year Bachelor's degree with a *minimum* AGPA of 3.3. However, admission is highly competitive, and you will most likely need a much higher than 3.3 AGPA to compete successfully.

Each applicant needs to write the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) for admission into the Doctor of Medicine program. Though students are no longer required to complete Physics and Organic Chemistry courses for admission, it is recommended that "students consider taking courses in the following disciplines: biology, chemistry, organic chemistry, physics, psychology, sociology, biochemistry, and research methods" (note copied from UofM's website HERE). Students must write the MCAT no later than early September of the year *before* the year in which they hope to be admitted. Click HERE to learn more about MCAT preparation and writing the MCTA exam.

Applicants must also write the CASPer (Computer-based Assessment for Sampling Personal characteristics) test. Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more.

Example of a qualifying year at CMU:

| <u>First Semester</u> | Second Semester |
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| One of the following: | One of the following: |
| BTS-1110 Biblical Literature & Themes OR BTS-1120 Encountering the Bible OR BTS-1130 Introducing Jesus: An Overview of the Christian Bible | BTS-2000 Intro to Christianity OR BTS-2420 Exploring Christian Spirituality OR BTS-2550 History of Christianity OR BTS-2720 Theologies of the Global South OR BTS-2750 Intro to Christian Ethics |
| BIOL-1310 Cells and Energy | BIOL-1320 Diversity of Life |
| CHEM-1010 Structure and Modeling in Chemistry | CHEM-1020 Physical Chemistry |
| Humanities or social science elective | Humanities or social science elective |
| MATH-1010 Calculus I | Elective |

During the second and third years you would complete the physics, organic chemistry, and biochemistry courses.

High School pre-requisites: Biology 40S, Chemistry 40S, Math 40S (pre-calculus) and Physics 40S. English 40S is recommended.

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