

Pre-Professional program planning services are offered by the Career Center and Academic Counseling offices.

UCLA CAREER CENTER

- What:**
- Pre-Professional Counseling, M-F, 10am-4pm (see career.ucla.edu for exceptions)
 - Test information for MCAT, LSAT, OAT, DAT, GMAT, GRE
 - Application information for AMCAS, LSDAS, AADSAS
 - Assistance with personal statements (Development and Review)
 - Letters of Reference Service, career.ucla.edu/LOR
 - Pre-Professional Workshops (Navigating the Application Process / Writing the Personal Statement)
 - Attend Pre-Professional JumpStart Conferences (Medicine, Law, Pharmacy, Psychology, etc.) career.ucla.edu/JumpStart
 - Pre-Health / Pre-Law Career information and timeline information
 - Pre-Health / Pre-Law internship information
 - Review Health related “Career Opportunities Lists” (Pre Health Gap Year, Clinical and Research Lists). Instructions to Locate Lists: career.ucla.edu/Files/OpportunityLists_AccessGuide_2011.pdf
 - Mock interviews for medical / professional school – register through BruinView™ at career.ucla.edu
 - Medical School Statistics for UCLA Graduates can be found at career.ucla.edu/MedSchoolStats
 - Pre-Health student groups affiliated with the UCLA Career Center can be found at career.ucla.edu/GradSchoolPreProfSvcs
 - Attend the Health School Information Fair, spring quarter, Ackerman Ballroom. More info at career.ucla.edu/FTE
- Where:** Strathmore Building, Second Floor, 501 Westwood Plaza: career.ucla.edu/HowToFindUs

ACADEMIC AND COURSE ENROLLMENT QUESTIONS ARE HANDLED BY ACADEMIC COUNSELING STAFF

COLLEGE COUNSELING

- What:** Course planning for first and second year students

- Where:**
- AAP Students: 1209 Campbell Hall
 - College Honors Students: A311 Murphy Hall
 - Athletes: Morgan Center
 - All other L&S Students: A316 Murphy Hall

DEPARTMENT COUNSELING

- What:**
- Course planning for third and fourth year students
 - Recommended academic plans for application and entrance exam preparation
 - Major and transfer requirements
 - Articulation, transfer evaluations, and substitutions

- Where:** Check www.registrar.ucla.edu/soc/counsel.htm for location and contact information regarding specific departments

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First Year

- Attend pre-professional workshops at the UCLA Career Center.
- Check your My.UCLA homepage at my.ucla.edu and career.ucla.edu for details.
- Meet with a career counselor to explore all options. Check the UCLA Career Center homepage career.ucla.edu for details.
- Meet with your college counselor or counseling assistant for program planning and course selection.
- Begin extracurricular activities and participate in pre-professional student organizations.
- Develop a pre-professional course of study.
- Consider summer internship, work, or volunteer experience. (Register with BruinView™ at career.ucla.edu/BruinView.)
- Open an LOR file in the Career Center at career.ucla.edu/LOR.
- Visit the AAP Mentoring Office. Attend workshops on pre-professional topics. 1202 Campbell Hall 310.794.4186, www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/aap

Second Year

- Continue with extracurricular activities, including leadership.
- Fine-tune your college schedule.
- Maintain a strong GPA. Start thinking about taking the appropriate entrance exams (MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, etc.).
- Visit Internship and International Opportunities (2nd Floor) in the Career Center for information on preprofessional internships.
- Make sure you sign up for access to BruinView™ at career.ucla.edu to get internship leads.
- Apply for special summer pre-professional or research programs.
- Complete a practice AMCAS (American Medical College Application Service) or other professional school application.
- Get to know your professors.
- Explore entry-level research opportunities; apply for research scholarships (visit the URC-Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences or the URC-Sciences). www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/ugresearch
URC-Sciences Email: urcsem@lifesci.ucla.edu URC-Humanities Arts and Social Sciences Email: URHASS@college.ucla.edu
- Visit the Center for Community Learning (A265 Murphy Hall) for information on service learning courses, community-based research, internships, the Civic Engagement Minor, and AmeriCorps scholarship programs, www.college.ucla.edu/up/ccl

Third Year

- Study and register for your entrance exam - consider taking a preparation course or a practice exam.
- Meet with a career counselor to review timeline to apply.
- Meet with your major advisor and college counselors to fine-tune the academic plan.
- Research your graduate programs of choice - check websites, look for special programs, talk to current students, and visit early.
- Request letters of recommendation.
- Develop your personal statement.
- Obtain transcripts to take care of any pending changes or notations.
- Start applications this summer.
- Sign up for a mock interview at the Career Center (go to BruinView™ at career.ucla.edu/BruinView).
- Apply for upper-division research scholarships. Visit www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/ugresearch
- Prepare proposal for Honors Thesis or Departmental Honors research experience.
- Enroll in an academic, credit-bearing internship through the Center for Community Learning, www.college.ucla.edu/up/ccl

Fourth Year

- Maintain strong GPA - schedule courses carefully to work with the interview process.
- Complete appropriate secondary/supplemental applications.
- Meet with college and major advisors to review graduation requirements.
- Send in acceptance offers or keep track of waiting list results.