

Applying to the Program

To apply to the Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate specialization, select the “Biomedical Science/PB-MS” program option on the online application at graduate.wfu.edu/admissions/BMSC.html.

The application start date is Aug. 1 and the deadline is Jan. 15 each year. We admit a limited number of students into the program.

Program Timeline

Timeline	Activity
Aug. 1–Jan. 15	Applications accepted
December–February	Review by admissions committee
February	Interviews
March–April	Offer letters sent
	Deadline for acceptance
June 1	Program begins with summer term
August – December	Fall term
January–May	Spring term

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Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate Specialization

WAKE FOREST GRADUATE SCHOOL
OF ARTS & SCIENCES

MS Program in Biomedical Sciences





Preparing You for a Career in Medical Science

Our Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate specialization is designed for people who would like to complete a master's degree program as preparation for medical school.

If you have already completed medical school prerequisites* and earned a baccalaureate degree, our program will enhance your current science knowledge with graduate-level medical science classes and MCAT preparation. It also will increase your competitiveness for health professional school admissions or other medical science careers.

Our students take a minimum of 30 to 36 semester-hour credits in the biomedical sciences. Courses are in disciplines including:

- Biochemistry
- Molecular cell biology
- Neuroscience
- Human physiology
- Human anatomy
- Microbiology
- Pharmacology
- Critical thinking skills
- Study skills

*Wake Forest School of Medicine prerequisites can be found at WakeHealth.edu/School/Admissions/. All medical schools prerequisites can be found at aamc.org/students/applying/requirements/msar/.

Courses are offered to enhance your professional school application. Scientific professionalism and responsible conduct of research courses are available as electives, along with electives of your choosing within the Graduate School curriculum.

Our curriculum is designed for one or two years of study based upon your personalized plan.

The program is located at the Bowman Gray Center for Medical Education in Wake Forest Innovation Quarter in downtown Winston-Salem. This is also home to Wake Forest School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences' Biomedical Sciences graduate programs. All courses are part of the Graduate School curriculum, and taught by research and clinical faculty of the School of Medicine.

The Admissions Process

Our program is open to all. We welcome applications from students with diverse backgrounds, including students from disadvantaged circumstances, first-generation college students and students from populations underrepresented in medicine.



Prerequisites

- Applicants must have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution in the United States prior to matriculation.
- Applicants must have successfully completed the generally accepted minimum premedical course preparation: eight semester hours each in general biology, general chemistry, organic chemistry, and physics.

Competitive applications

- Applications with an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above, science GPA of 2.7 or above.
- MCAT score of 23 or higher or GRE score (combined verbal/quantitative) of at least 1100 for tests taken prior to August 2011, and 300-302 for tests taken after Aug. 1, 2011. For applicants taking the newly formatted MCAT test (as of April 2015), a competitive score will be in the 40th percentile.
- The personal statement should describe your reasons for pursuing a career in medicine or an allied health profession, factors that contributed to this decision and how you intend to contribute to your desired profession.

Common Questions

- MCAT or GRE scores are required for students applying to the Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate specialization and must be made available for the final application review in February. The GRE test is valid for five years and must be reportable by ETS (Educational Testing Services) during the spring when offers of admission are made. The MCAT score should be from within five years of submitting the application for admission to the MS-PB program.
- AMCAS will not forward letters of recommendation. You may request that your Health Professions Advising Office send your recommendations directly, or if a service such as Interfolio is used, you may request that your recommendation letters be sent to the Graduate School office at bggrad@wakehealth.edu. Otherwise letters of recommendation may be submitted using the online application system.
- There is no in-state or out-of-state ratio for our program. Each application is reviewed holistically and acceptance is not subject to residency.

Program Costs*

Full-time Tuition (minimum 9 hours)	\$ 38,550
Student Health Insurance	\$ 287/month
Parking	\$ 15/month

Scholarships and financial assistance that can significantly reduce the cost of attendance may be available to domestic students.

* As of 2016–2017 academic year