

except in cases such as accident or serious illness where the cause of withdrawal is due to circumstances beyond the student's control. If the student has completed a significant portion of the required course work, "Incomplete" grades are often assigned in such cases. Normally, withdrawal from courses during the final three weeks of instruction involves a total withdrawal from the university. Withdrawal from the university is not permitted during the final examination period.

PREPROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

Preprofessional programs are available for students who plan to transfer to other institutions for the completion of professional curricula in such fields as law, medicine, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, optometry, forestry, theology, librarianship, chiropractic, and osteopathic and podiatric medicine. Certain of these programs are described below. Students planning to complete a preprofessional program and degree at CSUF must complete a major offered at this university. They should include their preprofessional area plus their university major on all registration forms; for example, premedical-chemistry, premedical-biology, prelaw-history, prelaw-political science. There are no preprofessional majors *per se*. Instead, preprofessional students work toward various university degrees and while doing so, knit into their college programs courses required for entry into professional school. Careful program planning is important in order to select proper classes and complete requirements in a timely way. Regular advising is essential since professional schools change their requirements occasionally. Preprofessional students should contact their respective major and preprofessional advisors before enrolling in classes each semester to stay abreast of current developments.

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A current list of CSUF preprofessional advisors is available in the Office of Advising Services.

PREMEDICAL

A student interested in preparing for medical school should declare his or her intent at the time he or she applies for admission to CSUF. To do this, it is necessary that the student use a term such as premedical-sociology, premedical-zoology, premedical-chemistry or premedical-general on all application, admittance and registration papers. In case premedical-general is chosen, a specific subject major should be selected as soon as possible and not later than the sophomore year from the list of approved CSUF majors in the bulletin.

Requirements for admission to medical school vary considerably from one medical school to another and change from time to time, but a well-balanced liberal education is usually specified. Some aptitude and university training in science and English are essential in medicine. The minimum requirements in these subjects specified by most medical schools can be satisfied by the following: biology, 13 units; chemistry, 19 units; physics, 8 units; and English, 6 units. Calculus is required by some medical schools and a reading knowledge of a modern foreign language is required by a few. Because of competition for admission to medical schools, a grade average of above 3.5 grade points is highly desirable. The Medical College Aptitude Test (MCAT) is required before a student can be accepted into medical school. It is