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MCAT News!

- MCAT registration opens Oct. 25 and 26 for January-June 2023 testing dates. [See the AAMC registration website for updates, announcements, and more details on test center locations.](#)
- New AAMC MCAT Official Prep Free Practice Exam
[A new, free, full-length practice exam with a scaled score and percentile rank is now available.](#) The Free Practice Exam has 230 questions from previously administered MCAT exams, and has the same look, feel, functionality, scaled score, and percentile rank as an actual exam.

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Opportunities to Get Involved and Informed!

- The Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP) is offering a free [webinar on how to apply for National Health Service Corps Financial Awards](#) on October 19th at 3pm PDT
- HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) at UP hosted their first chapter meeting of the semester last week. They discussed an overview of what HOSA is all about, listening to a guest-speaker from ScribeAmerica to learn about clinical opportunities they offer, and had some delicious pizza from a local business in Portland called Signal Station Pizza! If you're interested in more information about the group, please contact: Michael Musangu musangu24@up.edu = President of HOSA UP
- The Pre-Medical Student Association at UP will be hosting an MCAT workshop once to twice a month starting in October/November. We already had a few people signed up, but we would like more to join since this is a great opportunity to sharpen those MCAT test-taking skills! If you're interested, please email kostyuk24@up.edu to be placed on the mailing list.
- The American Medical Women's Association University of Portland chapter has opened sign-ups for this year's mentor/mentee program! Pre-health students are encouraged to sign up either as a mentor (year 3-4) or a mentee (year 1-2). This is a great opportunity for upperclassmen pre-health students to share their knowledge about their own journey in undergraduate pre-health at the University of Portland with a designated underclassmen pre-health student. This is also an amazing way to create connections between students and for underclassmen to cultivate a support system within the pre-health community moving forward in individual and professional development. We also ask that those who participated in the program last year and want to do so again fill out another form to get an updated list!
Everyone is encouraged to [sign up here](#) and email any questions to our president, Maddie Delacerda at delacerd23@up.edu.
- Oregon State University has invited all UP students to attend their Fall Career Fairs happening October 19 from 11am - 3pm in Corvallis, OR. Please register at the links below.

- [Fall Career and Internship Fair \(STEM\)](#) (61 companies). Wednesday, October 19, 11 am – 3 pm, CH2M HILL Alumni Center
 - [Healthcare, Human Services and Biotech Fair](#) (26 companies). Wednesday, October 19, 11 am – 3 pm, LaSells Stewart Center
 - [Fall Career and Internship Fair \(All-Industries\)](#) (54 companies), Wednesday, October 19, 11 am – 3 pm, CH2M HILL Alumni Center
- Don't forget to check out [OHSU's Higher Education web page](#) for ongoing opportunities to get involved at OHSU!

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE

Clinical Research Investigative Studies Program - CRISP



The Clinical Research Investigative Studies Program exposes vetted pre-health students to the world of clinical research in emergency medicine through prospective ED research projects at the Marquam Hill campus.

The CRISP program will give students considering potential health related careers hands on experience in the Emergency Department (ED) helping facilitate the completion of clinical research studies. The students will interact with both Emergency Department patients and research investigators.

Since 2004, CRISP students have successfully screened, consented, and enrolled thousands of patients into multiples studies of varying complexity.

What We Offer

Clinical research skills

One-on-one patient interaction opportunities

Shadowing opportunities

Letter of recommendation for professional schools

What we are looking for

Pre-health students who can commit to the program for 9 months

Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Pre-health students who are highly motivated and detailed-oriented

Before you can apply, you must attend the CRISP Information Session.

We will be hosting an Information session in the Fall 2022 in October.

Please email CRISP@ohsu.edu to get on the list.

If you have a disability and need an accommodation to attend or participate in this event please contact CRISP@ohsu.edu, 503-494-8311 at least five business days prior to the event.



Murdock Undergraduate Collaborative Research Program

The Knight Cardiovascular Institute and Knight Cancer Institute at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) announce an opportunity for students to participate in ongoing research projects at OHSU. The program, sponsored by the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust is designed for students pursuing a career in biomedical research. Students who are already committed to a career in clinical practice alone are specifically discouraged from applying.



This program provides talented students from local Oregon colleges and universities with the opportunity to work in state of the art research laboratories at OHSU to answer a meaningful scientific question.

Outstanding students will be recommended to the selection committee by their institutions in the fall of their junior year. The basis for selection will include grades, letters of recommendation, and an interest in a career in biomedical research. Selected students will be notified in December and will be designated as Murdock Research Scholars. Awardees and their chosen OHSU research mentor will meet during spring term to formalize a project. Work on the project will begin in the summer of the senior year and continue part-time for the next twelve months.

Student stipends can be up to \$4,200 per twelve-month period plus a one-time housing allowance of \$300. Stipends are also available for a second summer.

Deadline for submission of applications: October 24, 2022.



For more information, please contact the representative at your school:

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Over 175 Faculty across basic science and clinical departments, centers and institutes and regional research organizations.

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- Biochemical, Molecular and Structural Biology
- Chemical Physiology
- Development, Differentiation and Disease
- Genome Sciences
- Integrated Cancer Biology
- Infectious Disease and Immunology



Need information or want to register for the Open House please email pbs@ohsu.edu to get a WebEx link.



The OHSU Graduate Program in Biomedical sciences (PBMS) is an interdisciplinary PhD program that prepares students to make significant contributions to biomedical research in diverse scientific careers.

- Flexible scientific education through individualized training plans.
- Interdisciplinary peer groups and strong mentoring.
- Competitive stipends and benefits

Is PBMS for You?

- Do you ask big questions?
- Are you a critical thinker?
- Do you like to solve problems creatively?
- Are you excited about being at the forefront of biomedical discoveries?

Interested in learning more?

PBMS is hosting a **Virtual Open House on October 26th 2022 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm PDT**, with a 25 minute Webinar on the Graduate Program and OHSU, followed by a Question and Answer Session with the Program Director and the Chair of Admissions.

Alumni Spotlight

Within the first few weeks of starting at UP, **Henry Prentice** had picked up a second major, joined one of our many University Clubs, and started shadowing at multiple practices of a range of types of healthcare. Starting at University of Portland, Henry had enrolled in the College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) for a Chemistry degree but soon after, his advisor discussed adding a German degree as they figured out that it would be possible for him to complete both simultaneously. These classes in German put him in contact with the Shepherd Academic Resource Center (SARC), who was looking for more student tutors. Henry signed up, got trained over his freshman year and come his sophomore year, he was able to tutor in Chemistry, Biology, and German courses. In his Senior year, Henry received a government stipend to study German at the University of Munich after help from the SARC and German department, and was able to fly over for a month of classes in Bavaria. This experience was followed by a final semester at the University of Portland, wrapping up the two degrees in three and a half years. After graduating from the University in Dec '21, he spent the next semester working through the application process while working at a local pharmacy, until the end of the summer when he moved from Portland to Fullerton California to attend the Southern California College of Optometry. We wish Henry lots of sunshine and success at SCCO.



[Read more about Henry!](#)

Questions? Concerns? Need an Advising Appointment? Contact Us!

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