

Pre-Dentistry

Students can indicate a professional objective on their application. It is also necessary to select a major.

Note: Dental Schools **do not accept** Advanced Placement (**AP**) credit to meet the pre-dental science prerequisites.

It is **highly recommended** that students complete 6-9 hours of transferable credit during the summer between freshman and sophomore years. Please refer to the LAS General Education courses list for categories without a specified University of Illinois course, including the Language Requirement at: www.las.illinois.edu/students/requirements/gened.

A grade point average of 2.70 or higher (A=4.00) is required for admission.

Courses or requirement(s) displayed in *red italics* must be successfully completed before the desired term of entry.

Admission requirement for transfer (University of Illinois):

Language Requirement: All transfer applicants must have completed either three years of one language other than English in high school or through the second level (2 semesters) of one language other than English in college prior to the desired term of entry. Due to the intense concentration of science courses with laboratories for a professional school, it is **highly recommended** that students complete the four-year foreign language sequence offered by their high school, if possible. Otherwise, it is **strongly encouraged** that transfer applicants complete the University of Illinois' Language Requirement for this college prior to transfer. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences' graduation requirement is satisfied by completion through the **fourth year** of one language other than English in high school or through the **fourth level** (4 semesters) of one language other than English in college. If the college's Language Requirement for graduation has been completed, additional transferable coursework can be completed. **Consultation with the transfer institution's advising staff is strongly recommended.**

Completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the following University of Illinois courses prior to transfer is **highly recommended**:

CHEM 102, General Chemistry I **and** CHEM 103, General Chemistry Lab I
CHEM 104, General Chemistry II **and** CHEM 105, General Chemistry Lab II
IB 150, Organismal & Evolutionary Biol¹ **and** IB 151, Organismal & Evol Biol Lab¹
MATH 220, Calculus² or MATH 221, Calculus I²
MCB 150, Molec & Cellular Basis of Life¹ **and** MCB 151, Molec & Cellular Laboratory¹
PHYS 101, College Physics: Mech & Heat
PHYS 102, College Physics: E & M & Modern
PSYC 100, Intro Psych
RHET 105, Principles of Composition³

¹ Transfer students are encouraged to complete two semesters of general pre-professional biology with laboratory. A significant number of students planning to go to dental school select a major from the biological sciences, which requires a pattern of courses to be completed prior to transfer. Please refer to the web link provided for additional information: www.las.illinois.edu/students/requirements/gened. University of Illinois IB and MCB majors do not take the IB 151 and/or the MCB 151 lab classes. Majors take lab classes as part of their higher-level core classes. An additional course, MCB 250, Molecular Genetics, is **highly recommended**.

² If high school math courses did not include analytic geometry, calculus courses should include it. A minimum of one semester of transferable Calculus and Analytic Geometry is **strongly recommended**.

³ At most institutions the transfer equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence. Many dental schools require completion of at least six semester hours of rhetoric or English. Refer online at www.ada.org or see contact information below.

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Pre-Law Studies

Law school is a three-year graduate program. A baccalaureate degree from an approved undergraduate college and a satisfactory score on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) are required for admission to colleges of law. In general, applications for admission will be evaluated by giving significant, and in many cases, controlling weight to the applicant's undergraduate grade-point average and score on the LSAT.

Pre-law is not a major concentration or a minor and therefore, has no programmatic prerequisite coursework. Because prior education in diverse fields is valuable to the law student and to the lawyer, there are no specifically required courses for pre-legal study. However, the American Bar Association recommends that all pre-law students **develop strong reading, writing, analytical, and oral communication skills**. Regardless of major, students should seek out coursework that continues to help them develop these skills.

Please refer to the recommended GPA and program requirements listed for the program of study the prospective student intends to pursue. Perhaps the most concise, yet complete, discussion of the coursework and skills to be taken and developed is contained in the Official Guide to U.S. Law Schools, published by the Law School Admission Council. The Official Guide to U.S. Law Schools is available online at <http://officialguide.lsac.org>. Additional contact information is listed at the bottom of this page.

Visit the **Pre-Law Studies** webpage for more information and for access to our Pre-Law Handbook, at: www.prelaw.illinois.edu.

The pre-law advising service at the Campus Center for Advising and Academic Services (CCAAS) is available to University of Illinois undergraduate students in all colleges and across all majors.

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Admission requirements include completion of equivalent transfer coursework and requirement(s) to the following University of Illinois courses:

CHEM 102, General Chemistry I and CHEM 103, General Chemistry Lab I
CHEM 104, General Chemistry II and CHEM 105, General Chemistry Lab II
MATH 220, Calculus¹ or MATH 221, Calculus I
MCB 150, Molec & Cellular Basis of Life²
Language Requirement³

Completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the following University of Illinois courses prior to transfer is **highly recommended**.

PHYS 101, College Physics: Mech & Heat
PHYS 102, College Physics: E & M & Modern
PSYCH 100, Intro Psych
RHET 105, Principles of Composition⁴

Completion of equivalent transfer coursework prior to transfer which satisfies University of Illinois' General Education category requirements is **highly recommended**:

Economics or Sociology
Psychology⁵

OPTION 1 - MCB Majors: MCB 150; MCB 250/251; MCB 252/253; MCB 240

OPTION 2 - IB Majors: IB 150, MCB 150, IB 202 (4 hr), IB 204 (4 hr), IB 302, IB 426 or MCB 240

OPTION 3 - Non MCB Majors: MCB 150/151; MCB 250/251; MCB 240

OPTION 4 - Non IB Majors: IB 150, MCB 150, IB 202 (4 hr), IB 204 (4 hr), IB 426 or MCB 240

OPTION 5 - Kinesiology, Nursing, or Food and Nutrition Majors: MCB 150/151; MCB 250; MCB 103/104

Mendelian Genetics may be obtained in IB 150 or IB 204 or by Self-Study.

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⁵ It is strongly recommended that a second psychology class be completed. Please contact The Career Center for additional assistance in course selection.