

Pre-Dental Program

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The following curriculum is tailored to the requirements for most dental schools. Occasionally, a student is accepted into dental school after three years at MTSU (3-1 program). For most students, a B.S. degree is required in order to be competitive; so, **in the second semester, the student should consult with his/her advisor to select an appropriate major.** *After completion of 60 hours, the student should obtain an upper-division form from the Coordinator in DSB 241 and file one copy of the completed form with the Records Office.*

The DAT must be taken and application to dental school made about one year prior to the time of expected entrance. See your pre-dental advisor for further details. In August, September, or October a year before the anticipated entrance into dental school the student should schedule an appearance before the MTSU Preprofessional Advisory Committee. Contact the Coordinator in DSB 241 to make the arrangements, which include obtaining evaluations from five professors. Application to dental school should also be made at this time (August, September, or October).

Each pre-dental student should gain as much knowledge as possible of what work in dentistry is like. Talking with dentists, observing in a dental office, or other similar experiences will be valuable. It is a good idea to pay a personal visit to the dental school(s) you are considering and to make a special effort to meet with dental school representatives who visit MTSU, so that you will not be just a name on an application.

1st Semester

Chemistry 1110/1111 (Note 1) 4 h
Biology 1110/1111 4 h
English 1010 3 h
Math 1910 (Note 2) 4 h
Behavioral/Soc Science 3 h

2nd Semester

Chemistry 1120/1121 4 h
Biology 1120/1121 4 h
English 1020 3 h
History 2010 (or 2030) 3 h

3rd Semester

Chemistry 3010/3011 4 h
Biology 3020/3021 4 h
ENGL 2030 or 2020 or HUM 2610 3 h
Biology 3250/3251 4 h

4th Semester

Chemistry 3020/3021 4 h
Biology 4130/4131 4 h
Humanities/Fine Arts 3 h
History 2020 (or 2030) 3 h

5th Semester

Chemistry 2230/2231 5 h
Physics 2010/2011 4 h
Humanities/Fine Arts 3 h
COMM 2200 3 h

6th Semester

Physics 2020/2021 4 h
Chemistry 3530/3531 4 h
Electives** (Note 3) 3 h
Behavioral/Soc Science 3 h

Note 1. Students with a weak chemistry background should take Chemistry 1010 before Chemistry 1110 and 1120.

Note 2. Prerequisite to MATH 1910 is MATH 1730 or a MATH ACT ≥ 26 .

Note 3. BIOL 4110 is a recommended upper-division elective.

**Additional courses elected must satisfy the requirements for 42 upper-division hours (21 for the 3-1 program); 120 total hours for graduation (90 for 3-1 program); and a major and minor for the B.S. degree (but not for the 3-1 program).