

General Overview:

- Does Duke Kunshan University provide help to students who are interested in medical or health professional schools?
 - Yes, the Pre-Med Advisor(s) will provide guidance/coaching related to exploring medical school and/or related health industries (e.g., Application, Interview, Professional Development)
 - The Pre-Med advisor(s) will provide structured advising (e.g., course selection, major exploration, general preparation) to support students exploring a career or graduate study in medicine post undergrad
 - You can work with your advisor to help identify appropriate courses based on interest and previous academic performance
- Does Duke Kunshan University offer a specific pre-med major?
 - Duke Kunshan offers degree programs ([click for list of majors](#)) with disciplinary areas of study in Biology and Chemistry that include courses that are traditionally looked for in graduate and medical school admissions. Currently there is no specific pre-med major
 - Remember to always consult the admission requirement of the medical institution you would like to attend
- What undergraduate major(s) should I consider if I have a desire to further my studies in a graduate medical program?
 - Global Health/Biology and Environmental Science/Chemistry are good majors to consider in consultation with the Pre-Med Advisor
- Are there any other majors planned students might consider if they are interested in careers/graduate studies in life science or medical school?
 - Yes, a new major in molecular bioscience is proposed which has tracks in molecular genetics, biophysics, and biogeochemistry. We expect students interested in life science and medicine may find this major particularly interesting
- Will I really receive a Duke Degree?
 - Yes and your degree from Duke will be *accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) in the United States.*
- Can you guarantee a student will get into graduate/medical school?
 - Every student who graduates is expected to be competitive for both their career and graduate choices

Pre-Med FAQ

- Graduate admissions depends primarily on what the graduate/medical school is looking for in candidates and undergraduate performance/courses accepted
- Is there opportunity to learn about health careers and grow as a leader?
 - Yes, you can work with Career Services to help identify internships and job-shadowing opportunities
 - Additionally, there will be opportunity to join or build student organizations, engage in residence life, participate in volunteer programs, and leadership development support by Student Affairs.

Courses:

- Will undergraduate take labs and courses related to natural sciences of interest to medical school admission boards (e.g., biology, chemistry, physics)?
 - Yes, Duke Kunshan University has both courses and lab facilities (e.g., biology, physics, chemistry, integrated science)
 - Disciplinary courses in biology, physics, chemistry will primarily occur in Year 2-4 with integrated sciences occurring in Year 1-2
- How will my integrated science courses contribute to my interest in career/graduate studies in the life-sciences or medical school?
 - The integrated science curriculum (natural science divisional foundation courses) in Year 1-2 are particularly advantageous for students interested in life sciences and medicine both in terms of graduate schools and medical schools because it uniquely trains students to approach 21st century problems from multiple disciplinary perspectives.
 - Duke Kunshan University students can meet the Pre-Med track requirements and be competitive in applying for medical schools in the United States by completing the integrated science sequences, specific disciplinary courses, selecting the appropriate major, taking specific courses during the study away experience at Duke University, and following admissions requirements of institutions of interest.
- Are there specific requirement for Med School?
 - Specific requirement vary by institution and one's undergraduate degree doesn't have to be from an American school
- Are there opportunities for me to take courses at Duke?
 - Yes, in addition to your courses at Duke Kunshan, you are encouraged to work with your Pre-Med advisor to identify courses at Duke during your study away experience in your Junior Year

Undergraduate Research:

- Will undergraduates have access to research opportunities?
 - Yes, undergraduate research is a hallmark of our innovative curriculum. Each student will work with a faculty-member to identify a research area as part of their Signature Work.
 - Students will have access to an array of faculty and research centers (e.g., Global Health Research Center, Environmental Research Center) based at Duke Kunshan University, Duke University, and/or Wuhan University.
 - Undergraduates are encouraged to engage with our faculty in research of mutual interest.
 - Students will work with their academic advisor and/or pre-med advisor to help them identify a faculty mentor in their area of research interest
- Are there any other research labs?
 - Yes, there is a range of research labs in medical physics, computational photography, data science, global health, and environmental science. *New labs will feature new areas (e.g., bioscience, materials science). Duke Kunshan University is also proud of having a number of research centers in humanities, global China Studies, Innovation and Entrepreneurship.*
- Can students take the GRE/MCAT exams in China?
 - Yes, students can take both the GRE and MCAT in China. For the GRE, there are many sites in mainland China, including Shanghai. For the MCAT, the closest site (currently) is Hong Kong.
- To whom should I contact if I would like additional information related to Pre-Med advising?
 - Contact the Pre-Med Advisor at advising@dukekunshan.edu.cn
 - Visit the Office of Undergraduate Advising in Suite 3213 Academic Building