

Pre-Health Advising

Pre-Genetic Counseling Course Planning Guide

REQUIRED BY MOST PROGRAMS

Course Subjects Course Numbers and Semesters Offered

General Chemistry with lab

CHEM 11a (fall, summer) - Strongly recommend MATH 5a or placement into MATH 10a

CHEM 11b (spring, summer) - prereq: Chem 11a

CHEM 18a lab (fall, summer) CHEM 18b lab (spring, summer)

OR

CHEM 15a Intensive (fall)

CHEM 15b Intensive (spring) - prereq: Chem 15a

CHEM 19a Intensive lab (fall) CHEM 19b Intensive lab (spring)

Biology with lab

BIOL 14a (fall, spring)

BIOL 15b (fall, spring, summer)

BIOL 12b lab (fall, summer) - prereq: BIOL 15b

OR

BIOL 18b lab, Biology majors only (fall) - prereq: BIOL 15b

BIOL 12a lab (spring, summer) - prereq: BIOL 12b & 14a

OR

BIOL 18a lab, biology majors only (spring) - prereq: BIOL 14a & 18b

Statistics

MATH 8a (fall, spring, summer)

OR

BIOL 51a (spring) - prereq: BIOL 14a & BIOL 15b

OR

PSYC 51a (fall, spring, summer) – prereq: PSYC 10a or instructor permission

Organic Chemistry with lab

CHEM 25a (fall, summer) - prereq: 1 year of General Chemistry with lab

CHEM 25b (spring, summer) CHEM 29a lab (fall, summer) CHEM 29b lab (spring, summer)

Human Genetics

BIOL 14a covers the core concepts of genetics and satisfies this requirement. If you

would like an in-depth course in genetics, take either BIOL 72a or 128a.

REQUIRED BY SOME PROGRAMS

Course Subjects Course Numbers and Semesters Offered

Psychology PSYC 10a (fall, spring) - some programs may require 2 semesters.

Cell Biology OR Molecular Biology	BIOL 100B (spring) - prereq: BIOL 14a and BIOL 15b OR BIOL 105B (fall) - prereq: BIOL14a and 15b
Human Anatomy	BIOL 43b (spring) – prereq: BIOL 15b & 16a
Biochemistry	BCHM 88b (fall, summer) – prereq: BIOL 14a & 15a; 1 year of organic chem. w/lab OR BCHM 100a (fall, spring) – prereq: 1 year of organic chem w/lab

Prerequisite courses vary from school to school. It's very important that you check the websites of schools you know you want to apply to in order to make sure you're taking the courses they require. The courses in this table are a summary of the most common requirements.

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^{*} Sophomore Check-In with pre-health advisors would be helpful and is highly recommended. More information could be found on https://www.brandeis.edu/academic-services/pre-health-advising/prepare/sophomore-check-in.html