

Health Science Major- Bachelor of Arts

Pre-Pharmacy Track (4 Year)

Program Description

Students who plan a career in pharmacy will require a doctoral degree from a school of pharmacy. The first step toward that goal is undergraduate study in the sciences that will prepare the student for success in graduate studies to come. Anna Maria College has an articulation agreement with the University of St. Joseph in West Hartford, CT, that allows students to complete a pre-pharmacy program in three years at Anna Maria College and then enter St. Joseph's for completion of their doctoral degree in pharmacy. Other students may choose to take four years at Anna Maria to prepare for graduate study in pharmacy at St. Joseph or at another school of pharmacy. The Bachelor degree in Health Science, Pre-Pharmacy track, is the correct major to choose at Anna Maria if a student plans to become a pharmacist. Science faculty advisors help students make sure their course of study includes any electives a particular graduate school may require.

The Health Science major provides the courses required to prepare for graduate study in pharmacy, and combines a broad science literacy, include emphasis on biology and chemistry, with knowledge of particular threats to human health from environmental, occupational, and lifestyle factors. This preparation builds understanding of the role in human health of communicable diseases, conditions of deprivation or excess, technological hazards, and societal stressors. The advanced student integrates this preparation with a study of individual and community strategies for protecting and enhancing human health.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students who complete the Pre-Pharmacy track and earn a Bachelor of Arts in Health Science will have:

- Acquired the basic science literacy needed for entry level work in health science or to prepare for graduate study
- Learned to use investigative and analytical tools central to health research
- Developed skills that allow for evaluation of the complex contexts that shape human health
- The ability to apply values, ethics, and concepts of justice to human health concerns

Curriculum Map

Freshman Year		
Fall Semester		Credits
AMC 100	First Year Experience	3
ENG 103	Freshman Composition	3
BIO 103 (Exploration of	Gen Bio I / Lab	4
Natural Sciences)		
*CHM 110	Intro to Chemistry I / Lab	4
	Semester Total	14
Spring Semester		
ENG 104	Writing Through Literature	3
PHL 110	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PSY 101	Intro to Psychology	3
CHM 111	Introduction to Chemistry II / Lab	4
BIO 222	Microbiology / Lab	4
	Semester Total	17
Sophomore Year		
Fall Semester		Credits
THE 210	Introduction to Theology	3
Global Language	Global Language I	3
BIO 212	Anatomy & Physiology I / Lab	4
SOC 201	Intro to Sociology	3
Exploration Gen Ed	Creativity and Imagination Exploration	3
	Semester Total	16
Spring Semester		Credits
Global Language	Global Language II	3
Exploration Gen Ed	Western Humanities Exploration	3
BIO 213	Anatomy & Physiology II / Lab	4
PSY 217	Human Lifespan Development	3
Elective	Elective	3
	Semester Total	16

Junior Year			
Fall Semester		Credits	
THE 30	Catholic Intellectual Tradition	3	
BUS 250 or MTH 228	Applied Statistics or Statistics for the Sciences	3	
(Exploration of Quantitative Reasoning)		3 or 4	
Elective	Major Upper Level Elective I		
Elective	Elective		
Elective	Elective		
	Semester Total	15 or 16	
Spring Semester		Credits	
BIO 402	Genetics	3	
Exploration Gen Ed	Societies of the World	3	
Elective	Major Upper Level Elective II	3 or 4	
Elective	Elective	3	
Elective	Elective	3	
	Semester Total	15 or 16	
Senior Year			
Fall Semester			
BIO 406	Epidemiology (Global Dynamics)		
Elective	Major Upper Level Elective III		
Practical Experience	Internship		
Elective	Elective	3 or 4	
Elective	Elective	3 or 4	
	Total	15-17	
Spring Semester			
BIO 408	Toxicology	3	
(Exploration U.S. in the World)	U.S. and World Exploration		
SCI 491	Senior Seminar (Writing for Career & Creativity)	3	
Elective	Elective		
Elective	Elective	3 or 4	
	Total	15-17	

Students typically need additional courses to meet post-graduate requirements. These courses are most likely to be required and should be included wherever there is space for an elective course:

MTH 221/222 Calculus I/II PHY 201/202 Gen. College Physics I/II

Organic Chemistry I & II Biochemistry

Public Speaking Economics