



UAPB Graduate and Pre-Health Professions Committee Application for Committee Letter Request

UAPB requires that all students and graduates planning to apply to professional programs as outlined below solicit letter of recommendation requests through the Graduate and Pre-Health Professions Committee. Students planning to attend programs in Public Health, Nursing or Graduate School will not require a committee letter.

If you are planning to apply for professional school admission, follow the steps below at least 2 months prior to requesting the committee letter.

1. Students planning to apply to the following programs will require a committee letter.

Check the box that indicates your intended program.

Medical School (Medical College Admission Test-MCAT)

- Last letter request for a year: September

You should plan to take the MCAT for the final time **between January and April of your application year**. For instance, if you'd like to enroll in medical school in August 2024, you'll want to take your MCAT during the first four months of 2023—that is, no later than April 2023.

Dental School (Dental Admission Test-DAT)

The ideal time to take the DAT is **at the end of the spring semester, junior year or immediately after you have completed your organic chemistry courses**. Schedule 60-90 days before your desired test date

Pharmacy School (Pharmacy College Admission Test-PCAT)

The PCAT is administered on one or more dates in July, September, October, January, February, March and April

Veterinary School (Graduate Record Exam-GRE)

Testing in September, October and April. Score results typically take two months to be available online.

Physical Therapy School (Graduate Record Exam-GRE)

Testing in September, October and April. Score results typically take two months to be available online.

Physician Assistant School (Graduate Record Exam-GRE)

Testing in September, October and April. Score results typically take two months to be available online.

1. Prepare answers to the following standard questions and provide the requested documentation. You may attach an additional file if more space is needed.
 - Provide a current curriculum vitae/resume.
 - Provide an unofficial transcript.
 - a) What is your current exam score or on what date is your exam scheduled?

- b) What did you do while in school to prepare yourself for your intended professional/ graduate program?

 - c) What have you done since graduation or prior to graduation that will help you be successful in your intended program?

 - d) What are your short-term and long-term goals for your intended program?

 - e) How are you planning to contribute to the community/world once you're done with your intended program if accepted?
2. Interviews will be scheduled at the end of each month within that program cycle. All requested information must be in by the 15th of the month to be considered for an interview that month.
- Based on the information provided in section #1, please provide the month that you anticipate your interview with the committee will be scheduled.

NOTE: All students (current and former) must have a committee letter for any professional program of application. The committee also requests that the student has taken or be in the application process for the exam before requesting the letter. All students will receive an interview at the appropriate time, but the type of letter written works in the student's favor if all criteria have been met. No exception to these ascribed guidelines.