Health Professions Advising - Human & Animal Healthcare Professions

CSU does not offer specific “pre-health” or “pre-vet” majors, as health professions programs neither prefer nor recommend any particular undergraduate major(s). Students interested in a career in any health profession may select a major from among the many choices offered by CSU. After declaring an academic major, a student is assigned an academic advisor from that department to ensure they fulfill the requirements for that major. Placement into health professions programs is extremely competitive and a successful applicant needs to be well informed regarding course requirements and other factors considered by admissions committees.

Health professions advisors work with students in conjunction with their departmental advisor to determine courses required to satisfy professional school prerequisites. They also help students identify and gain the experiences needed to make them competitive candidates. All Health Professions advisors assist students from any major in planning for entrance into any accredited program of medicine, veterinary medicine, physician’s assistant, occupational therapy, physical therapy, dentistry, nursing, pharmacy, optometry, podiatry, chiropractic and others. They also assist students in preparing their applications to those programs.

Student Clubs

Offices for several student clubs related to the health professions are located in Collaborative for Student Achievement Offices in the Stadium complex. Staff members serve as advisors for the Pre-Vet Club and the Health Professions Student Association and the associated clubs of Premedica, Pre-Dental, Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Optometry, Rehabilitation Therapy (Pre-Occupational Therapy and Pre-Physical Therapy) and provide assistance and support for club activities.

More information about Health Professions Advising (http://hp.casa.colostate.edu/) may be found on the Collaborative for Student Achievement website.