

LOCATION

The Bowman Gray campus of Wake Forest University is situated in and around downtown Winston-Salem, NC, and is home to a thriving revitalization movement that has received national recognition.

Winston-Salem, the tenth most affordable city in the United States, was recently ranked among the top ten “fun and affordable communities” by Business Week. The city is located in the Piedmont region of North Carolina, about 75 miles from the Blue Ridge Mountains and 225 miles from the beaches of the Atlantic Ocean.

Forbes.com voted our city among the best downtowns in the nation. Our community has received numerous additional accolades for livability with numerous activities including the weekly farmer’s market at Old Salem, the Winston-Salem Open, and minor league baseball. Downtown Winston-Salem hosts many festivals such as Twin City Rib Fest, Rock the Block and Gallery Hop.

Nearby Yadkin Valley is home to over 50 vineyards and the Huffington Post named our annual wine festival, Salute!, as one of the best of 2013.

Graduate students can easily afford to live in and around the downtown area, or in one of the safe and affordable historic neighborhoods adjacent to the medical center with easy access to shopping, public transportation, and recreation.



APPLICATION PROCESS

(<http://graduate.wfu.edu/admissions>)

To apply to the Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate specialization, select the “Biomedical Science/PB-MS” program option on the online application at <http://graduate.wfu.edu/apply-now-to-the-wake-forest-graduate-school/>.

Note the following deadlines.

- Deadlines:
 - January 15th - summer admission
 - October 15th - spring admission
- Checklist:
 - Submission of application
 - \$80 application fee
 - Personal Statement
 - diversity statement
 - challenges/obstacles statement
 - GRE or MCAT test report (unofficial acceptable for review)
 - Transcripts (unofficial acceptable for review process)
 - 3 Letters of Recommendation

FINANCIAL AID

A partial tuition scholarship is available sponsored by the Graduate School. The Financial Aid Office offers assistance with applying for federal grants loans at finaid@wakehealth.edu.

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WAKE FOREST
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M.S. in BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE Pre-Medical Post-Baccalaureate Specialization



PREPARING YOU FOR A CAREER IN MEDICAL SCIENCE

Our Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate specialization is designed for people who would like to complete a master's degree program as preparation for a medical professional school.

If you have already completed medical school prerequisites and earned a baccalaureate degree, our program will enhance your current science knowledge with graduate level medical science classes and MCAT preparation. It also will increase your competitiveness for health professional school admissions or other medical science careers.



Our students take a minimum of 30 to 36 semester hour credits in the biomedical sciences. Courses are in disciplines including:

- Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
- Neuroscience & Neuroanatomy
- Human Physiology & Anatomy
- Immunology & Microbiology
- Pharmacology
- Epidemiology & Population Health
- Critical Thinking Study Skills
- Clinical Ethics

Courses are offered to enhance your professional school application. Scientific professionalism and responsible conduct of research courses are available as electives, along with electives of your choosing within the Graduate School curriculum.

The program is located at the Bowman Gray Center for Medical Education in the Wake Forest Innovation Quarter in downtown Winston-Salem. This is also home to the Wake Forest School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences' Biomedical Sciences graduate programs. All courses are part of the Graduate School curriculum, and taught by research and clinical faculty of the School of Medicine.

Wake Forest School of Medicine prerequisites may be found at WakeHealth.edu/School/Admissions/. All medical schools prerequisites may be found at aamc.org/students/applying/requirements/msar/.

THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

We welcome applications from students with diverse backgrounds, including students from disadvantaged circumstances, first generation college students and students from populations underrepresented in medicine.

PREREQUISITES

- Applicants must have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution in the United States prior to matriculation.
- Applicants must have successfully completed the generally accepted minimum premedical course preparation: eight semester hours each in general biology, general chemistry, organic chemistry, and physics.

COMPETITIVE APPLICATIONS

- Applications with an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above, science GPA of 2.7 or above.
- MCAT score of 496 or higher or GRE score (combined verbal/quantitative) of at least 300.



- The personal statement should describe your reasons for pursuing a career in medicine or an allied health profession, factors that contributed to this decision and how you intend to contribute to your desired profession. A good personal statement will encompass some of the challenges or obstacles you have faced in life, and how you approached and resolved such issues.

COMMON QUESTIONS

- MCAT or GRE scores are required for students applying to the Pre-medical Post-baccalaureate specialization and must be made available for the application review process. The GRE test is valid for five years and must be reportable by ETS (Educational Testing Services). The MCAT score should be from within five years of submitting the application for admission to the BMSC-PB program.
- AMCAS will not forward letters of recommendation. You may request that your Health Professions Advising Office send your recommendations directly, or if a service such as Interfolio is used, you may request that your recommendation letters be sent to the Graduate School office at bggrad@wakehealth.edu. Otherwise letters of recommendation may be submitted using the online application system.
- There is no in-state or out-of-state ratio for our program. Each application is reviewed holistically and acceptance is not subject to residency.