

Preprofessional Health Committee Interview

Committee interviews will be given during the Spring (April-May) and Fall (September-October) semesters for regular admission and in December and January for the Early Assurance Program. Your committee letter is a very important step in the application process and you should be aware of what is expected of you. The Committee interview can be scheduled once your file is complete.

Your Prehealth file must be complete by the deadline in order to schedule an interview. Your appointment with a Committee member should last approximately one hour. The information to be covered will include how your interest in the profession developed, your personal strengths, related and non-related experiences, your personal interests and issues in health care today. Be prepared to discuss the above topics in depth, remembering that this will provide the basis for your Committee letter and serve as a rehearsal for a professional school interview. At the end of your interview, we will discuss the areas that may need strengthening and answer any questions you may have at that time.

Your personal appearance at the time of your Committee interview should be appropriate for an interview; while we do not expect formal attire, neatness and cleanliness are important. If something happens the day of your appointment and you will be delayed or must reschedule, please call the interviewer at once. It is best to have the interview when you are at your best.

After the interview, the Preprofessional Health Committee meets and evaluates each applicant by viewing the student's entire file. A Committee letter will result from this meeting and will be the cover letter to all the individual letters of recommendation when sent to the professional schools of your choosing.

Your Committee letter contains information on both your academic and personal qualifications. There are five rating categories and each student will be placed into one depending upon the above criteria. The categories are: Most Highly Recommended, Highly Recommended, Recommended, Recommended with Reservation, Not Recommended.

Prior to the interview it is strongly recommended that you read the accompanying comments on professional school interviews. If you have any further questions or concerns, please see an advisor in prehealth advising services.