

MAJOR MAP

Pre-Medicine Track

Wide variety of majors and minors are applicable to applying to Medical School

URL for Undergrad Catalog - bgsu.edu/catalog.html

CLASS OPTIONS	Freshman Meet with your academic advisor to discuss the pre requisite coursework needed to apply to med school.	Sophomore Consider ethics, medical terminology, and social behavioral foundation courses.	Junior Make an appointment with your college academic advisor for your junior audit.	Senior Consider taking upper level biology courses after a discussion with your faculty mentor.
GOOD ADVICE	Distinguish between academic advisor/faculty mentor/program advisor early in the year to clarify expectations. Meet with your program advisor in Pre-Professional Programs to review Medical School Admission Requirements (MSAR).	Develop interpersonal skills, altruistic spirit, resilience, perseverance and compassion.		Show commitment and be able to articulate an understanding of medicine.
RELEVANT EXPERIENCE	For enrichment opportunities consider options such as Summer Medical and Dental Education Program (SMDEP), research (CURS), NIH and medical mission trips. 	Volunteer in hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes where you continue to be exposed to patient care.	Explore AMCAS (MD; Allopathic Medicine), AACOMAS (DO; Osteopathic Medicine) and take the MCAT. Increase level of patient care.	Look for employment as a medical scribe or medical assistant to demonstrate your commitment to medicine.
USEFUL CONNECTIONS	Attend Campus Fest. Join a student organization such as AMSA, Beta Beta Beta, Alpha Epsilon Delta, the Society of Physics, Chem Club, MAPS, the Neuroscience Association. Live in the supportive NHSRC Learning Community with other allied health Pre-Professionals.	Create study groups for MCAT prep. Consider a leadership position within a student organization.	Represent BGSU with development of research projects, poster presentations, as well as attendance at scientific conferences.	Cultivate a support network. Continue involvement with faculty mentor.
GLOBAL VIEWS	Expand your horizons!	Visit the BGSU Career Center at www.bgsu.edu/career-center and consider enrolling in the Falcon Internship Guarantee Program. Explore in-demand careers, career pathways, and occupations using http://www.OhioMeansJobs.com	 Consider study abroad, MedLife Chapter trips, Atlantis Project, Spanish for Health Care Professionals. Utilize Spring Break for grassroots efforts or overseas experiences.	Ensure that you have developed cultural competency.
CAREER PREP	Clinical exposure is vital. Secure shadowing experiences and conduct informational interviews to gain insight into multiple fields. Explore the Falcon Internship Guarantee through the BGSU Career Center.	There are numerous resources and opportunities available to you in the Office of Pre-Professional Programs. If you haven't met with your program advisor call (419) 372-0498 to set up an appointment.	Sharpen CV, resume, and individual interviewing techniques through the Career Center. 	Continue to diversify experiences and challenge yourself to think critically and analytically.



Graduation & Beyond

Visit the Office of Pre-Professional Programs to review Pathways to Medical Practice in the U.S. and Guide to Residency Selection.

Points of Pride

BGSU students have attended:

- Harvard Medical School
- Emory University School of Medicine
- The Ohio State University College of Medicine
- University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
- Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine
- University of Toledo College of Medicine

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ALUMNI SUCCESS

Jimmy Light is an Organ transplant pioneer, known for simultaneous kidney transplant procedure.



Jimmy Light, M.D. '60

STUDENT SUCCESS

Keagan Gertz's student success at BGSU was not just a product of his individual effort. Many individuals helped nurture Gertz to become a successful student at BGSU. Dr. Neil Browne, a professor of his freshman year offered the classes, Introduction to Critical Thinking and Critical Thinking About Great Ideas—classes that made a lasting impression. Browne serves as a key mentor for Gertz providing him the opportunity to write a few papers in conjunction with him for publication in Law Review journals.

Another strong influence at BGSU for Gertz is Dr. Ray Larsen who gave Gertz the opportunity as a freshman to work in his research lab learning molecular biology. The work he completed in the lab has been presented at professional conferences and is in the process of being published.

Gertz's time spent at Bowling Green State University has been busy, exciting and rewarding and soon it will be time for Gertz to make that next step in his career and choose where he will be continuing his education as a medical student. Here are a few of the opportunities while at BGSU that have helped Gertz sharpen his credentials as a medical school applicant:

- Cherry Street Mission Volunteer
- MCAT prep workshop facilitator
- Campus Church Mission Leader
- Promedica Toledo Hospital Clinical Research Intern
- Nationwide Children's Hospital Research Position
- Marathon Participant
- Organic Chemistry tutor in the Learning Commons

