

Post-Baccalaureate Programs in California

Any classes you take after you finish your bachelor's degree are "post-bac" classes, and there are **post-bac programs** that are designed specifically for pre-health students. Different programs target different weaknesses, and should you choose to pursue a post-bac you should look for programs that fit your needs.

A **structured curriculum** is generally inflexible with a defined schedule of classes.

An **unstructured curriculum** will be more flexible in admissions and scheduling.

Students who have not completed the science courses required for health professions school admission should look for programs designed for students who are **changing careers**.

Students who have taken the prerequisite courses but wish to improve their GPA in these subjects should look for programs geared to **enhance student academic records**.

Post-bac programs are not right for every student. Please speak to an advisor at Health Professions Advising to see if a post-bac program is right for you.

Institution	Minimum Undergraduate GPA Required	Structured/Unstructured Curriculum	Approximate Program Length	Disadvantaged Requirement (yes/no)	Program Focus	Career Change/Academic Enhancement
CA Northstate University	3.00 Overall 2.70 BCPM	Structured	1 Year	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record
Keck Graduate Institute	3.25	Structured	9-12 Months	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record
UC San Diego Extension	2.80	Structured	1 Year	No	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	Enhance academic record
CSU East Bay (Includes 2 tracks)	2.80	Unstructured	1 or 2 Years	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record Change career
CSU Los Angeles (Includes 2 options)	3.00*	Unstructured	1 or 2 Years	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record Change career
Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science	3.20 overall 2.80 science	Structured	1 Year	No	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	Enhance academic record Change career
SF State University	2.50	Structured	1-2 Years	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record Change career
UC Berkeley Extension	3.00	Unstructured	Variable	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record Change career
UCLA Extension	None	Unstructured	1 Year	No	All health professions	Enhance academic record Change career
Chapman University	3.20	Unstructured	Variable	No	All health professions	Change career
CSU Fullerton (Includes 3 options)	3.00	Structured	1-3 Years	No	All health professions	Change career
CSU San Marcos	2.75	Structured	21 Months	No	All health professions	Change career
Loyola Marymount University	3.20	Structured	14 Months	No	Pre-Med & Pre-Dental	Change career
Mills College	3.20	Unstructured	1-2 Years	No	Pre-Med	Change career
Scripps College (Includes 2 options)	3.00	Structured	13 or 24 Months	No	Pre-Med, Pre-Dental, & Pre-Vet	Change career
USC	3.00	Structured	1 Year	No	All health professions	Change career
UC Davis	2.70	Structured	1 Year	Yes	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	Enhance academic record
UC Irvine	2.80	Structured	1 Year	Yes	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	Enhance academic record
UC Los Angeles Re-Application Program	2.70	Structured	11 Months	Yes	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	N/A
UC Riverside	2.70	Structured	1 Year	Yes	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	Enhance academic record
UC San Francisco	2.93 Overall 2.75 Science	Structured	11 Months	Yes	Pre-Med (Includes MCAT prep)	Enhance academic record

*necessary in all biology, chemistry, physics and math courses