

Dear Marquette University Pre-Health Students,

During this time of what is undoubtedly causing some stress and uncertainty, we wanted to reach out to let you know that Marquette University's Center for Pre-Health Advising is available for remote advising. We continue to be dedicated to helping you and supporting you on your pre-health journey.

Some of you have inquired about whether to utilize the pass/fail option that is being granted to Marquette University students in light of the current COVID-19 situation. Specifically, you have asked how medical, dental, veterinary and other health professions schools will view this pass/fail option.

This is an unprecedented situation so please know that at this time, we can't predict how all health professions schools will respond. However, we do know this: admission to these schools will remain extremely competitive so a strong grade in a prerequisite class will always serve you better than a "pass" (for which the minimum standard is **"C" or higher**).

However, we recognize that all of this is incredibly disruptive, for both you and our faculty, and it still remains to be seen how this disruption will impact your learning experience. Since the university has time after final grades are posted to determine if you would like to switch to pass/fail. This option will allow you to at least gather more information in terms of tests and lab scores, before committing one way or the other.

We are also gathering information from our colleagues at the medical and graduate school level. In an effort to help address questions during this time, many of the health professions associations and centralized application services have developed a specific COVID-19 website or page where you can find updated information. You can click on this [link](#) for those websites. We will share what we learn as soon as we can.

Sincerely,

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