

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the health science track in the Bachelor of Health Science (BHS) program offered by the College of Public Health and Health Professions (PHHP). We are pleased you are considering our College for completion of your bachelor's degree. The health science track becomes limited access at the junior level, which means that you must apply and be accepted to the College as a junior to become part of the health science program. Students interested in the program may apply for Summer B or Fall admission consideration. All students must apply, regardless of whether you are already in our college, are in another college at the University of Florida, or are from another academic institution. If you want to be considered for admission and are a non-UF student, you must apply separately to the University and to the College. You can find information about University requirements and a UF application at the UF admissions website (www.admissions.ufl.edu) (or call [352] 392-1365). If you are a current UF student, you only need to apply to the College. The College application procedure is described in the next paragraph.

Printed on the next few pages is the information packet you need to apply to the College, including general information about our application process and a College application form. Please make sure you have the following College documents to apply for the 2009-2010 academic year: (1) *Applying for Undergraduate Admission: General Instructions*; (2) *Application/Admission Requirements for the Health Science track*; (3) *Student Application Form*; (4) *Essay on Career Interest*; and (5) *Financial Aid and Advising: General Information*. If you are missing any of the forms or have any questions, please call (352) 273-6379 and ask to speak with Ms. Geraldine Lee. We look forward to talking with you.

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UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HEALTH PROFESSIONS
Applying For Undergraduate Admission:
General Instructions for 2009-2010 Academic Year

This document includes all of the information you need to know to apply to the health science track in the College of Public Health and Health Professions (PHHP) for the 2009-2010 academic year. Please read the instructions very carefully. Please remember that it is your responsibility to ensure we receive your complete set of application materials to consider you for undergraduate admission to the Health Science track in the Bachelor of Health Science program. If you have questions, please call the Dean's Office (352) 273-6379. Thank you!

APPLICATION MATERIALS: We must receive the following items in the Dean's Office to consider you for admission. All materials must be mailed together in one packet. Incomplete packets will not be processed. Your packet must include a Fall 2008 transcript if you took courses during that term.

- * ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY COURSEWORK
- * STUDENT APPLICATION FORM (Enclosed)
- * ESSAY ON CAREER INTEREST FORM (Enclosed)

MINIMUM COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS: In addition to submitting the application materials listed above, you must meet the minimal College requirements to be considered for admission. **All requirements must be completed by the end of Spring to be eligible for Summer B enrollment and by the end of Summer A to be eligible for Fall enrollment.** The requirements are:

- 3.0 cumulative grade point average (based on a 4.0 scale) for all College level coursework
- 3.0 prerequisite grade point average
- Completion of 60 semester credit hours of transferable college coursework. Undergraduates from Florida Public Community Colleges must have their AA degree by the end of Summer A term for Fall admission
- Completion of all general education and Gordon Rule requirements. These include all general education courses, the CLAST or CLAST waiver, foreign language (if not completed in high school) and Gordon Rule writing and math requirements. The requirements for UF students are outlined in greater detail in both the *UF Guide to Majors* and *the Undergraduate Catalog*. The *Undergraduate Catalog* can be found on the UF admissions web page at: www.admissions.ufl.edu
- Completion of prerequisite coursework as indicated on the Health Science *Application/Admission Requirements* sheet. Prerequisites must have been completed in the last 7 years (since the 2002-2003 academic year). Please consult your program specific instructions included in this packet to make sure you know all of the prerequisites for the program and by when they must be completed
- Completion of volunteer/work experience in a community or health service field is strongly recommended

(Please note: Once admitted, you will need access to an appropriately equipped computer [e.g. Windows, Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, etc.]. You also will need to provide appropriate documentation of immunizations, such as chicken pox vaccination, required by the College.)

HOW TO APPLY:

If You Are Not A UF Student: If you are not a UF student, you must apply **separately** to the University and to our College based on the procedure below.

Applying to UF. In order to apply to the University, you must complete a University application. A University application packet can be obtained from: University of Florida, Office of Admissions, 201 Criser Hall, Box 114000, Gainesville, FL 32611-4000. You can also download a University application form from the UF web site www.admissions.ufl.edu. If you have questions regarding your UF application, please contact the UF Admissions Office at (352) 392-1365. Please remember that your UF application is not the same as your College application. In addition to applying to UF, you must apply to the College of Public Health and Health Professions to be considered for admission. See next section.

Applying to the College. In order to apply to the College, fill out the *College Student Application Form* and the *Essay on Career Interest Form* included in this packet. Ensure that these two forms and *all official transcripts* are sent together in one envelope to the Dean's Office in the College of PHHP at the address listed below. Please remember that incomplete packets will not be considered. **It is your responsibility to ensure we receive all documents on time. You must include a Fall 2008 transcript if courses were taken then.**

If You Are A Current UF Student: You need to apply to the College, but you do not need to reapply to UF. Fill out the *College Student Application Form* and the *Essay on Career Interest Form* included with this packet. Ensure that these two forms and *copies of all official transcripts* are sent together in one envelope to the Dean's Office in the College of PHHP. (Please note: Even though you are a UF student, you must submit official transcripts as part of your application to the College. Copies of your official UF transcripts are acceptable.) **It is your responsibility to ensure we receive all documents on time. You must include a Fall 2008 transcript if courses were taken then.**

DEAN'S OFFICE ADDRESS: College of Public Health & Health Professions
Office of Admissions for Health Science
PO Box 100194
University of Florida
Gainesville, FL 32610

DEADLINE: Please be aware of all deadlines to ensure consideration for admission to the University (if applicable) and the College. We admit twice per year for all tracks - in Summer B and Fall. Please note the College deadlines below; there is one deadline for Summer B and another deadline for Fall admission. Students meeting admission requirements who apply after the deadline will be considered only on a space available basis. Please remember that it is your responsibility to make sure we have all of your College application materials, including transcripts, to consider you for admission. **This includes UF students so be sure you get your application in on time.**

Deadline for Application
February 1

Program Begins
Summer B and Fall

ADMISSION CONSIDERATIONS: Admission to the University does not guarantee admission to our College. In addition, meeting our minimum college requirements does not guarantee acceptance because we are "limited access". Limited access means that we admit only a limited number of students each year to ensure our students get the best training possible. Students receiving their AA degree from a Florida Community College are given equal consideration with University of Florida students. If you apply to one of our programs and are turned down, we will consider you for another College track for which you meet the requirements. You must have all requirements completed by the end of Spring to be eligible for Summer B admission and by the end of Summer A for Fall admission. This includes your AA degree.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The health science track in the BHS program is designed primarily for students who want to pursue graduate or professional training in a health field. The program is a two-year, 60-credit curriculum consisting of the junior and senior years of undergraduate work. The curriculum provides the foundation skills necessary to succeed in the dynamic health environment. Topics covered include the health care system, disease and disability, the role of the health care provider, health related research, effective communication, leadership styles, critical thinking skills, and ethical and legal issues in health care. Students also select from a variety of College and University electives to complement core health science courses. Upon successful program completion, students receive a bachelor of health science degree.

APPLICATION MATERIALS:

You must complete the College of Public Health & Health Professions *Student Application Form* and *Essay on Career Interest* form. These materials along with *official transcripts of all college level coursework* must be included in your application packet. **All materials should be mailed together in one envelope.** Incomplete packets will not be processed. Please make sure that you meet all University, College, and program requirements referenced in this packet. **You must include a Fall 2008 transcript if courses were taken then.**

SUMMARY OF HEALTH SCIENCE TRACK REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of all prerequisite coursework
- Completion of all general education, CLAST, and Gordon Rule requirements
- A minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on all college-level coursework
- A minimum overall prerequisite GPA of 3.0 with no grades below a C
- Completion of all requirements by the end of Spring for Summer B enrollment and by the end of Summer A for Fall enrollment

SPECIFIC HEALTH SCIENCE TRACK REQUIREMENTS:

A. Prerequisite Courses: The prerequisite courses for the health science track are listed below. (Community College students should consult a UF PHHP advisor for appropriate substitutions.) Four of the following five prerequisite courses must be completed before the application deadline – biology, general and advanced psychology, statistics, and physiology. All prerequisite courses must be completed with grades of C or better. (AP or IB credit is acceptable for a maximum of one prerequisite).

- **General Biology (3 credits)** – either BSC 2007 or BSC 2010
- **General Psychology (3 credits)** – PSY 2012
- **Additional Psychology (3 credits) selected from one of the following options** – Abnormal Psychology CLP 3144; or Developmental Psychology DEP 3053; or Health Psychology CLP 2002
- **Statistics (3 credits)** – STA 2023
- **Physiology (4 credits)** – APK 2105C (Completion of Anatomy and Physiology I and II is an acceptable substitution, but you must complete both courses)
- **Advanced Writing (3 credits)** – ENC 3254, ENC 2210, or AEE 3033C (This requirement is in addition to Gordon Rule writing.)
- **Introduction to Health Professions (HSC2000)** - *strongly recommended.*

B. Volunteer/Work Experience in a Health Field: You are strongly encouraged to volunteer or work in a health care or related setting prior to applying to the program (e.g. community, state, or not-for-profit hospitals and community organizations that provide health education and services).



**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
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Student Application Form
2009-2010 Academic Year**

- 1a. **Indicate semester you want to start your health science track:** Fall___ Summer B___
- 1b. **Indicate your career path:** Medicine___ Physician Assistant___ Occupational Therapy___
Physical Therapy___ Health Administration___ Public Health___ Dentistry___ Nursing___
Psychology___ Rehabilitation Counseling___ Chiropractic___ Dietetics___ Don't Know___
Other (please specify)_____

2. **Date of official application to the University of Florida (non UF students only):** _____

3. **Name:** _____
(Last) (first) (middle)

UF ID: _____ **Gender:** F___M___
Date of Birth: _____ **Age:** _____
(year/month/day)

4. **Present address:** _____
Phone at present address (include area code): _____
Cell phone (if different from above): _____
E-mail address: _____

5. **Permanent Address:** _____
Phone at permanent address (include area code): _____

6. **Address and phone number for notification of admission decision prior to May 1st:**
____ Present above Other: _____
____ Permanent above _____
Please check if notification address changes after May 1st: ___ Changes to permanent address
___ Changes to Other address

7a. **What College or University is your AA degree from?** _____

7b. **List of Colleges/Universities attended:** (chronological order - most recent to oldest)

Name of School	City and State	Dates

8. **Employment (list any recent work experience you consider relevant to your application):**

Employer	City & State	Type of work	Part/full time	Dates

9. Volunteer Experience (list any volunteer work you consider relevant to your application):

Name of Volunteer Organization/Site	Supervisor's Name	Phone Number	# Hours

10. Please verify requirements by checking all that apply to you:

- I have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average for all college level coursework
 I will have completed 60 semester credit hours and an AA degree (if applicable) by the required term
 I will have completed all general education requirements by Spring or Summer A, as required
 I have a CLAST waiver or have successfully passed the CLAST (scores: Reading _____
 Writing _____ Math _____)
 I have completed *all* prerequisite courses required with a 3.0 GPA with no grades lower than a C;
- OR**
- I have completed some of the prerequisite courses and I will complete the following prerequisite courses by the end of Spring if applying for Summer B or by the end of Summer A if applying for Fall:

Course Number and Title	# of Credits	University/College	Semester will complete

11. Courses currently enrolled in if different from question 10:

Course Number and Title	# of Credits	University/College	Please identify current semester and year

If true, please sign the statement below:

By signing this form, I verify that all of the information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I further verify that I understand all requirements necessary to be considered for admission to the College of Public Health and Health Professions. I understand that meeting or exceeding College requirements does not guarantee admission. If I accept an admission offer, I agree to complete all requirements by the end of Spring if applying for Summer B admission or by the end of Summer A if applying for Fall admission. I understand that I will become ineligible for admission if I fail to meet any requirement by the date required.

Applicant Signature

Date

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN OUR COLLEGE PROGRAMS!



**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
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Essay on Career Interest
2009-2010 Academic Year**

In your own handwriting (print or write; do not type), please describe: 1) your career plans/goals and a specific experience that has influenced your career path; 2) two specific characteristics of yourself that you consider to be strengths and why you consider them to be strengths; and 3) two specific characteristics of yourself that you consider to be weaknesses, why you consider them to be weaknesses, and any strategies you have used to improve these weaknesses. Separate your essay into three paragraphs, one for each of the three required topics. **Please limit your response to one page in the space below.**

Honor Pledge: “On my honor, the information contained in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I have not received aid in completing the writing sample above.”

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____



UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA Financial Aid And Advising: General Information 2009-2010 Academic Year

FINANCIAL AID: If you anticipate needing financial aid, we recommend that you apply for aid even though you do not know whether you will be accepted for admission. In order to apply for aid through a University of Florida financial aid office, you must complete the “Free Application for Federal Student Aid” (FAFSA). Please check to be sure you know when it is due. The FAFSA includes all the necessary information to apply for Federal financial assistance for the 2009-2010 academic year. You can obtain a FAFSA through the Office for Student Financial Affairs, S-107 Criser Hall, Gainesville, FL 32611. The FAFSA is also located on the Student Financial Affairs web site at: www.sfa.ufl.edu

In order to be considered an “on time” applicant for financial aid, the University of Florida Office for Student Financial Affairs must receive the results of your FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA analysis from the federal office by the “on time” deadline listed in the Gator Aid Application Guide. The Gator Aid Guide, which lists sources of student financial aid, and the application for federal student aid are available in all community college financial aid offices in the state and in most high school guidance offices in addition to the financial aid offices on the UF campus. You should mail your FAFSA to the federal office at least six weeks prior to the “on time” deadline to allow adequate processing time. This typically means you need to mail your FAFSA in January, but make sure you consult your Gator Aid Guide.

If you have any questions regarding your financial aid status, please contact the Student Financial Affairs Office at (352) 392-2379.

ADVISING: If you would like assistance in determining your eligibility for admission, completing your application materials, or determining what you need to do at this point to strengthen your application, please do not hesitate to call for an advising appointment. Both telephone and in person appointments are available. To schedule an appointment, please call the Student Services Center for the College of Public Health and Health Professions at (352) 273-6400. The College home page also includes general College information, and we encourage you to check it out at: www.phhp.ufl.edu