

Checklist & Timetable for Students

Applying to Medical Laboratory Science (MLS) Program

Freshmen Year

- Begin taking your first Biology and Chemistry courses (with corresponding labs)
- Focus on grades! Your first year will be a new journey and a Medical Laboratory Science program will focus on your GPA (2.5 or higher)
- Begin building relationships with professors who can later serve as mentors, offer you the opportunity to participate in research, or write recommendations on your behalf

Sophomore Year

- If you haven't already, consider participating in extracurricular activities, which will enhance you as a medical laboratory science applicant
- Spring/Summer of sophomore year
 - Seek out opportunities for internships (research and/or shadowing medical laboratory professionals either in the clinical offices or hospitals)
 - Research potential Medical Laboratory Science programs & visit their campuses.

Junior Year

- Fall of junior year
 - Take a GRE prep course
 - Begin writing personal statement
 - Seek out recommendation letters
- Spring of junior year
 - Take the GRE (average competitive score: Q – 150, V – 150, AW – 4.0)
 - Check application deadlines for schools
- Summer of junior year
 - Complete AMCAS application
 - Submit all application materials by August/September

Senior Year

- Send thank you notes to your recommenders
- Prepare for interviews (mock interviews)

Required Courses:

- 8 hours of general biology with laboratory
 - 8 hours of general/inorganic chemistry with laboratory
 - 4 hours of organic chemistry with laboratory
 - 3 hours of College Algebra
 - 6 hours of English
 - 3 hours of Statistics (Must be from Math Department)
 - 4 hours of Microbiology with laboratory
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