CBA
I want to transfer to complete a major in the College of Business Administration. What should I take in my first term?
Econ 0100 or Econ 0110
Math 0120 or Math 0220 (or Math 0031 pending math placement)
Engcmp 0200, 0203, 0205, 0207, 0208, 0212, FP 0003 or FP 0006 (First or second term)
General Education Requirement

Students planning to transfer to the College of Business Administration can apply for competitive admission after completing 30 credits with an overall GPA of at least a 3.00 or higher and specific prerequisites in their first year which include ECON 0100, ECON 0110, MATH 0120 or Math 0220 and STAT 1100. The College of Business Administration also requires the following general education requirements including Seminar in Composition, Foreign Language, Literature, Arts, Philosophy, 2 Social Sciences from two different departments, 2 natural sciences and 2 International Foreign Cultures.

While not an exhaustive list, please refer to CBA’s PDF to see what courses CBA accepts to fulfill their general education requirements.

EDUCATION
I want to get into the School of Education to become a teacher. Can I major in that here?

Teacher Certification degrees are only offered on the graduate (Master’s degree) level here at the University of Pittsburgh. However, the School of Education does offer undergraduate degrees in Applied Developmental Psychology and Exercise Science. Students interested in either undergraduate program spend two years in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences fulfilling specific prerequisite requirements for their respective program of interest and apply for competitive entry during the end of their sophomore year. For more information go to:

For ADP (Applied Developmental Psychology)
Bachelor of Science

For ADP CASE (Applied Developmental Psychology/Combined Accelerated Studies in Education)
Bachelor of Science/ADP CASE Teacher Preparation

For Exercise Science
Bachelor of Science

CGS
I want to transfer into the College of General Studies (CGS). What should I take in my first term?

Students planning to apply for transfer into the College of General Studies must fulfill the Algebra (or equivalent) and Seminar in Composition requirements and earn at least 12 – 15 credits in their first term with an overall GPA of at least a 2.00. For more information, please refer to the CGS Transfer Policy.

To learn more about what major programs CGS offers, please see their Academics page.
ENGINEERING

I want to transfer to a major in the Swanson School of Engineering. What should I take in my first term?

CHEM 0110
MATH 0220
PHYS 0174 (Math 0220 is a co-requisite – a score of 76 or higher on the ALEKS assessment is required to take Math 0220)
ENGCMP 0200 or a Humanities/Social Science elective if already bringing in credit for ENGCMP 0200 via Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate/Dual Enrollment or College in High School etc.

Students in Arts and Sciences planning to apply for competitive admission into the School of Engineering must maintain an overall GPA of at least a 3.00 and complete 7 of the 8 prerequisite requirements prior to applying for entry (Bioengineering requires a minimum 3.50 GPA or higher). In the fall term students are expected to take CHEM 0110, MATH 0220, PHYS 0174 and ENGCMP 0200 or equivalent. In the spring term students follow up with CHEM 0120, MATH 0230, PHYS 0175 and ENGR 0015, plus a Humanities or Social Science elective if possible. For more information refer to Engineering’s internal transfer guidelines.

SHRS

I want to transfer into the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences (SHRS). What should I take in my first term?

Students planning to apply for transfer to a program in SHRS need to work closely with their academic advisor in Arts and Sciences to make sure that they are taking the appropriate coursework. Each major program in SHRS requires different general education requirements and each have varying application deadline dates in the sophomore year. The average GPA of acceptance into SHRS is approximately a 3.40 for most programs or higher even though a 2.50 GPA is the minimum requirement to apply. For more information on the prerequisites for specific programs of interest click on the program you are interested in below.

Athletic Training
Communication Science
Emergency Medicine
Health Information Management
Nutrition Science
Rehabilitation Sciences

SCI

I want to transfer into the School of Computing and Information. What should I take in my first term?

Students can apply for transfer into the School of Computing and Information after successfully completing 55 credits with a minimum GPA of at least a 2.75 overall. The majors in SCI require specific prerequisite requirements which can be found on the class search page by searching the Course Attribute and Course Attribute Value sections for SCI.

For the Computer Science major, the program recommends the following guideline: *Students should have some programming experience (usually acquired in high school) before taking CMPINF 0401. Any high school course that includes the writing of several Pascal, C++, or Java programs would be sufficient. It is also possible to take one of the department’s service courses, such as CS 0007, as preparation. Preparatory classes of this nature do not count toward the student’s major requirements.
For the **Computational Biology major**, plan to take BIOSC 0150 and CS 0011 in your first term.

For the **Digital Narrative and Interactive Design major**, plan to take CS 0010, 0011 or 0012 and/or ENGLIT 0355/FMST 0100 or ENGFLM 0570/FMST 0505.

For the **Information Science major** plan to take MATH 0220 AND CMPINF 0401 in your first term.

**NURSING**

I want to apply to the School of Nursing. What should I take in my first term?

Students planning to apply to Pitt’s School of Nursing must maintain a minimum GPA of at least a 3.50 overall with a grade of B or higher in the science/lab coursework. Application is extremely competitive, and admission may require students to spend extra time here at the University beyond the four-year time frame. For information on what coursework is required in the first-year nursing curriculum, view the information under “**Sophomore Placement**”.

**PHARMACY**

I want to apply to the School of Pharmacy. What should I take in my first term?

Students can apply to the School of Pharmacy after completing a total of 62 credits within their first two years in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences. Application to the School of Pharmacy is extremely competitive and requires specific prerequisite requirements. Students must maintain a minimum of a 3.00 GPA overall and in the required math and sciences. Average GPA’s of acceptance are much higher, and students are encouraged to apply to more than one pharmacy school. Keep in mind that other Schools of Pharmacy have different requirements, which may require taking summer courses. Please refer to the University of Pittsburgh’s [pharmacy requirements](#).

A typical first semester schedule for a pre-pharmacy student includes BIOSC 0150, CHEM 0110, and 2 to 3 additional courses required for application from the approved prerequisite list.

**SOCIAL WORK**

I want to transfer into the School of Social Work. What should I take in my first term?

Students planning to apply for transfer into the School of Social Work are required to complete 60 credits during their first four terms in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences with an overall GPA of at least a 2.50. Students must take 36 credits worth of general education requirements. Students must take one course in each of the following areas: Africana Studies, Anthropology, Economics, English Composition, Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies, Global Studies, Human Biology, Political Science, Psychology, Religion/Spirituality (RELGST), Sociology and Statistics. For more information see the School of Social Work [Requirements](#).