**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 ALEKS assessment math placement)
- Engcmp 0200, 0203, 0205, 0207, 0208, 0212, 0213, 0214, FP 0003 or FP 0006 (First or second term)

General Education Requirement
- General Education Requirement or elective

_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. The College of Business Administration also requires the following general education requirements including Seminar in Composition, Foreign Language, 1 Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, 2 Humanities courses from Literature, Music/Art or Philosophy, 2 Social Sciences from two different departments, 1 natural science and 1 Foreign Culture._

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

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**CGS**

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

- Math 0025 or Math 0031 (Algebra)
- ENGCMP 0203, 0205, 0207, 0208, 0212, 0213, 0214 Seminar in Composition) OR FP 0003/FP0006 (First-Year Seminar)

_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. Grades must be posted for the first term prior to applying for internal transfer._ **Students must put the specific major/track they want to complete on their program change form.** For more information, please refer to the [CGS Transfer Policy](#). Some major programs in CGS have minimum GPA requirements.

To learn more about what major programs CGS offers, please see their [Academics page](#).

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**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. Beginning in Fall 2023, the School of Education will begin to offer an undergraduate degree in Education. Currently, the School of Education offers **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

For Bachelor’s in Teacher Education
Bachelor of Science

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 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 Informatics
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 suffice. It is also possible to take one of the department’s programming service courses, such as CS 0007 or CS 0008, as preparation.

For the **Computational Biology major**, plan to take BIOSC 0150 and CS 0011 in your first term.
For the **Computational Social Science** major, plan to take (CS 0010, 0011, or 0012), (PS 0200, 00300 or 0500), Math 0220 (pending placement).
For the **Data Science** major, plan to take MATH 0220 (pending ALEKS placement), CS/CMPINF 0401 (pending experience, students should take CS 0007 as a prerequisite to 0401 if they do not have enough experience).
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 INFSCI 0010 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.

**PUBLIC HEALTH**
I want to transfer into the School of Public Health. What should I take in my first term?

Students planning to apply for transfer into the School of Public Health should plan to take ENGCMP (SEMINAR IN COMPOSITION), MATH 0031 (ALGEBRA, IF REQUIRED), PUBHLT 0100, PUBHLT 0110 PUBHLT 0120 Essentials of Health Equity, GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT.

**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.