Marquette University College of Health Sciences – Accelerated Tracks to Professional & Graduate Programs

Professional Programs	CHS Major(s)	When to apply	Program Details
Doctor of Physical Therapy (3+3)	BISC or EXPH*	With freshman application to MU (Common App or Marquette App)	 Students admitted to the direct-admit program who meet the GPA and program requirements as an undergrad begin the DPT program in fall of senior year Students not admitted to the direct-admit DPT program can track pre-PT to apply junior year at Marquette
Master of Athletic Training (3+2)	ЕХРН	With freshman application to MU (Common App or Marquette App)	 Students admitted to the direct-admit program who meet the GPA and program requirements as an undergrad begin the MAT program in summer after junior year EXPH majors who are not direct-admit can apply freshman, sophomore or junior year at Marquette depending on space availability
Doctor of Occupational Therapy (3+3)	BISC or EXPH*	With freshman application to MU (Common App or Marquette App)	 Students admitted to the direct-admit program who meet the GPA and program requirements as an undergrad begin the OTD program in fall of senior year. Students not admitted to the direct-admit OTD program can track pre-OT to apply junior year at Marquette
Pre-Dental (3+4) or Pre-Law Scholars (3+3)	BISC*	Fall/winter before freshman year at MU	 Application is due in early February via application status page (available after acceptance to Marquette) Meet minimum GPA and all program requirements in first three years of undergraduate studies to begin dental school in senior year Students do not qualify for undergraduate aid upon entrance to Marquette Dental School (senior year)
MS in Speech Pathology (4+2) Direct Admission	SPPA	Fall/winter before freshman year at MU	 Begin M.S. program the Fall following B.S. graduation and follow the traditional 5-semester M.S. format Direct admit students don't need to apply to other graduate programs during their senior year, saving time and money
Master of Physician Assistant Studies (3+2)	BISC	At end of sophomore year at MU (for the 5-year option) or later	 5-year accelerated option with BISC major: apply at end of sophomore year to enter PA after junior year 6-year option: apply at end of junior year to enter PA after senior year Overall and science GPA, knowledge of PA profession, minimum patient contact hours, and interview are all factors in the admission decision
Doctor of Pharmacy - early admission in collaboration with Medical College of Wisconsin (3+3)	BISC*	Spring of freshman or sophomore year at MU	 Meet minimum GPA and program requirements in the first three years of undergraduate studies to begin the PharmD at MCW their senior year Awarded B.S. degree from MU after satisfactory completion of first year at MCW Students do not qualify for undergraduate aid from Marquette upon entrance to the PharmD program at MCW

^{*}Accelerated track may also be available for majors in other colleges

Note: Students in the accelerated DPT, MAT, OTD, and PA programs are considered undergraduates for financial aid and scholarship purposes until BS degree completion.

Graduate Degree Programs	CHS Major(s)	When to apply	Program Details
STEM MBA Accelerated Degree Program	BISC or EXPH*	Spring of junior year at Marquette	 Pursue business minor as an undergraduate Allowed to take up to 12 credits of graduate coursework in senior year Three semesters of graduate study after completion of B.S. degree, instead of four Students are considered undergraduates for financial aid and scholarship purposes until BS degree completion
Exercise and Rehabilitation Science Accelerated Degree Program	BISC or EXPH	Spring of junior year at Marquette	 Allowed to take up to 12 credits of graduate coursework in senior year Three semesters of graduate study after completion of B.S. degree, instead of four Students are considered undergraduates for financial aid and scholarship purposes until BS degree completion
PhD in Neuroscience Accelerated Degree Program	BISC	Fall of junior year at Marquette	 Allowed to take up to 14 credits (7-8 credits per semester) of graduate neuroscience courses in their senior year Within the PhD, the cellular and molecular neuroscience specialization must be chosen Students are considered undergraduates for financial aid and scholarship purposes until BS degree completion

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BISC = Biomedical Sciences; **EXPH** = Exercise Physiology

Note: Some accelerated programs have specific restrictions regarding pre-requisite coursework (i.e. must be taken at Marquette, must be taken at a four-year institution, etc.). **Please consult your program of choice <u>before</u> taking courses for college credit elsewhere.**

AP/IB or other Test Credits

- Test credit charts are available for AP and IB test credits at: mu.edu/explore/ap-ib-clep-credit-transfer.php
- For most subject areas, a score of 4 or higher earns credit at MU
- All test credits earned are accepted for your undergraduate degree, but may not fulfill requirements for some graduate/professional programs:
 - o Non-science and Math test credits are accepted by a majority of health-related professional programs (medical/dental schools)
 - o Schools that do accept test credits will typically require additional courses in that same content area
 - AP credits are non-graded and won't be included for professional/graduate schools that value your "science" GPA.
 - Most professional school admissions tests (MCAT, DAT, OAT, PCAT, etc.) taken in your junior or senior year at MU will include Biology, Chemistry and Physics content. Students will need to do more self-study if not taking these courses in college.
 - Full-time tuition applies to a course load of 12 credits or more in a semester. Most professional programs like students to take approximately 15 credits each semester. No cost savings for not taking the sciences (will need to fill your schedule with other courses).