

UA Office Of Health Professions Advising Newsletter

April 2023

Centralized Application System Information for Pre-Health Students

For students applying to a health professions graduate program this summer:

You are STRONGLY encouraged to read through all application manuals prior to starting your application, even if you will be a reapplicant. Below is a quick reference guide of application open dates for various centralized application services (CAS).

Medical, Dental, and Optometry

	Allopathic	Osteopathic	Optometry	Dental	Texas
Application System	<u>AMCAS</u>	<u>AACOMAS</u>	<u>OPTOMCAS</u>	<u>AADSAS</u>	<u>TMDSAS</u>
Application Opens	May 2nd	TBD	June 30 th	May 30th	May 1st

Physician Assistant, Veterinary, Physical Therapy, Pharmacy, & Occupational Therapy

	Physician Assistant	Veterinary	Physical Therapy	Pharmacy	Occupational Therapy
Application System	em <u>CASPA</u> <u>VMCAS</u>		<u>PTCAS</u>	<u>PharmCAS</u>	<u>OTCAS</u>
Application Opens	Late April	Now Open	Early July	Mid July	Late July

Helpful Tip: You may notice that we share the date your application opens. Competitive applicants are known to apply early in the application cycle.

Announcements & Important Dates

 PRESENTATION: The Frederick P. Widdon College of Medicine at the University of South Alabama (USACOM) will host a virtual meeting on April 4th at 5pm. Link to attend meeting is below: https://uasystem.zoom.us/j/81458189392



- MOCK INTERVIEW: The Frederick P. Widdon College of Medicine at the University of South Alabama (USACOM) will host a virtual mock assessment interviews for SOPHOMORE Pre-medical students on April 18 and 19th. Students can come by 200 Clark Hall and sign up for an interview time. More details will be sent in a separate email.
- MOCK INTERVIEW: Dr. Carley McKenzie, Assistant Dean of Admissions at UAB School of Dentistry will host mock assessment interviews both in-person and virtually during the month of April. Sign ups for this opportunity will be in 200 Clark Hall. This is for pre-dental students with a Sophomore standing. More details will be sent in a separate email.



- **COURSE HIGHLIGHT:** CHS 230 Medical Shadowing is a course that can be taken by application only. Applications close Sunday, April 2nd. Here is the link to the application.
- **COURSE HIGHLIGHT:** MKT 493 Special Topics in Marketing is offered Fall 2023. Students in the course will work with health professionals to use marketing to improve the healthcare of rural communities. See flyer attached.
- ADVISING SERVICES UPDATE: It's peak advising season! This means that appointments for prehealth advisors fill up quickly. If you want/need to meet with a prehealth advisor, you are encouraged to use our drop-in advising option. There is a prehealth advisor available for drop-in (no appointment needed) advising every Monday through Thursday from 1:00pm to 3:15pm. Drop-in advising ends for the spring semester on May 4, 2023.
- ADVISING SERVICES UPDATE: Advising appointments with prehealth advisor from May 8-August 11 will be available by request only. Email prehealth@ua.edu during this timeframe if you would like to set up an appointment.
- Our prehealth advising team is changing (again)! We have a new advisor on our team and there are now FIVE prehealth
 advisors! Mrs. Lacey Borden joined our advising team this month and she is excited to get started working with prehealth
 students. Look for updates to our advising structure and services for the 2023-2023 school year in the first Fall 2023 newsletter.
- WORDS OF WISDOM: Reflect on your professional school application and where it stands as of today. Do you need more shadowing? Volunteering? Leadership? Research? Design a plan and address those areas to allow you to strengthen your

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 4th: Virtual Information Meeting with USACOM

April 7th: UABSOD Sophomore Mock Assessment Interviews (virtual)

April 18th – 19th: Virtual Sophomore Mock Assessment Interviews with <u>USACOM</u>

April 13th: UA OHPA Cycle 2022 Committee Interviews begin

April 13th: UABSOD Sophomore Mock Assessment Interviews continue (virtual and in-person)

April 20th: Go Pro Pre-Professional Launch Party (by invite only)





MKT 493/597

RURAL ALABAMA
INNOVATION AND OUTREACH

- Gain useful experience addressing industry and socially relevant issues
- Develop problem-solving, critical thinking, and teamwork skills
- Engage with industry professionals that are impacting their communites

NEW CLASS OFFERING FALL 2023

RURAL ALABAMA INNOVATION AND OUTREACH

Meet with professional organizations once a week to discuss and develop solutions for socially-relevant issues across all disciplines affecting rural Alabama.

