What does it mean to be “Pre-Health” at Fresno State?

- The College of Health and Human Services Pre-Health Program provides support to students exploring careers in the health and human services professions with academic advising and career exploration. The Pre-Health Program allows students interested in: Nursing, Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Public Health-Community Health and Social Work to explore these majors and career pathways. Students in the Pre-Health Program will enroll in HHS 18: Career Pathways in Health and Human Services. During the second semester an advisor will work with students’ to identify a major appropriate to their career path. For more information, please contact Undergraduate Student Recruitment at 559-278-2048 or outreach@csufresno.edu.

FAQ

1. **What is Pre Health?**
   - It is a preparatory and exploration program with a list of courses that must be taken for any student interested in applying to the majors of: Nursing, Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Public Health-Community Health and Social Work.

2. **Why Pre-Health?**
   - Many students start college with a set major that they would like to pursue yet change their minds after the initial start of college. This exploration process is usually very informal and can take many forms. The Pre-Health major has been designed to help give structure to this exploration process for incoming freshman students.

3. **How long is the Pre Health Program?**
   - It is a three semester program with an application process during your third semester

4. **Can I graduate in Pre Health?**
   - You cannot graduate in the Pre-Health program as it is a preparatory program and not a degree

5. **Do the classes I take in Pre-Health count towards graduation?**
   - Yes all courses taken in the Pre Health program count towards graduation requirements

6. **Are there still degrees in Nursing, Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Public Health-Community Health and Social Work?**
   - Yes these programs still exist but you must complete the pre requisite courses in Pre-Health and then apply to these separate programs.

7. **How do I change into the major I want to graduate from if I’m Pre Health?**
   - You will apply to your program of choice during your third semester in the program Pre-Health

8. **What happens if I can’t get into the degree program I applied to at end of the Pre Health program?**
   - You can apply to two majors, your first and second choices. If you are not accepted to either of your choices, you will need to apply to a different major either within the College of Health and Human Services (but outside the four majors Pre Health leads to), or any major at Fresno State. All the units you earn in the Pre Health program apply to your graduation in areas of General Education and/or your new major (pending on which major you change to).