

ST. GEORGE'S UNIVERSITY MD OR DVM PATHWAY



Explore the combined degree program to complete your doctorate degree. This offers a pathway from undergraduate study in Biology or Health Sciences at Franklin Pierce into the Doctor of Medicine (MD) or Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) program at St. George's University (SGU). Upon completion of the four-year bachelor's degree, you will progress into a four-year doctoral program at SGU.

Requirements for high school applicants seeking admission to the **SGU Pathway Program** include:

- Application for Admission Addendum
- Minimum high school cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 3.5

- Two letters of recommendation that reflect the following capabilities.
 - **Commitment to learning /** The ability to identify resources of learning, utilize resources effectively, and demonstrate a desire to continue to seek knowledge and increase understanding.
 - Interpersonal skills / The ability to work with a variety of your peers, supervisors, and individuals of authority.
 - **Responsibility /** The ability to fulfill obligations in a selfdirected environment.

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STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

Candidates for this program are expected to have strong interpersonal skills, a genuine desire to serve as a healer, and an ability to perform well academically in all courses. Once admitted, you are expected to meet with your academic advisor on a regular basis to monitor progress towards planned goals.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSEWORK

If you are admitted to the SGU Pathway Program, you must successfully complete an undergraduate major at Franklin Pierce in either Biology or Health Sciences. You must also complete the following prerequisite courses to continue into medical or veterinary school at SGU:

- Biology
- General Chemistry
- Math
- Organic Chemistry
- Physics

In addition, it is recommended that you complete undergraduate courses in Biochemistry, Microbiology, and Anatomy, and Physiology. Computer competency is highly desired.

PROGRESSION QUALIFICATIONS

To successfully progress from undergraduate studies into medical or veterinary school at SGU, the following qualifications must be met:

- MD Program: maintain a 3.5 CGPA or
- DVM Program: maintain a 3.1 CGPA
- Maintain a 3.5 grade point average (GPA) in the Biology or Health Sciences major
- **MD Program**: demonstrate strong performance on the Medical College Admission Test or
- **DVM Program**: score a minimum of 1100 on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE)
- Successfully complete an interview at SGU

SECONDARY PATHWAY PROGRAM

If you do not pursue or achieve admission to the **SGU Pathway Program** at the time of admission to the University, you may also utilize the **Secondary Pathway Program**. To be admitted to this program, you must meet the following qualifications after two semesters of undergraduate coursework at Franklin Pierce:

- Declare a major in Biology or Health Sciences
- Maintain a 3.5 CGPA and a 3.5 GPA in the major
- Obtain two letters of recommendation from undergraduate faculty at Franklin Pierce

PATHWAY PROGRAM BENEFITS

The **SGU Pathway Program** affords you the opportunity to begin preparation for medical or veterinary school during your undergraduate studies. Along with a curriculum that develops critical thinking, while studying medical and scientific literature you will also have the opportunity to utilize the following services to achieve your long-term goals:

- Pre-Health Advisory Committee: Develop an individual plan for success with faculty who are knowledgeable about the graduate program requirements in the healthcare field.
- GRE Preparation Committee: Will meet twice per semester with representatives from the Center for Academic Excellence, Career Services, library services, and faculty to review helpful resources and prepare for the GRE.
- Internships and field experience: Work with Career Services and faculty members to identify volunteer and paid opportunities to develop professional skills.
- Undergraduate research: Work on an independent research project under the guidance of faculty to enhance your knowledge and skills. Many projects have resulted in presentations at scientific meetings and publications in peer-reviewed science journals, which provide a strong professional foundation for graduate school entry.

ABOUT ST. GEORGE'S UNIVERSITY

SGU is a center of international education, nestled in the island of Grenada in the West Indies. With a thriving multicultural environment, students and faculty from 140 different countries enjoy world-class technology and facilities.

Medical students complete their first two years of study in Grenada, and the latter two in clinical rotations at affiliated hospitals in the United States, United Kingdom, and/or Grenada. Veterinary students complete their first three years of study in Grenada, and the final clinical year at affiliated veterinary schools in the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, and/or Ireland. Eligibility for placement is subject to the visa requirements of the country in which the clinical program is based.

SGU is one of the few international universities recognized by the U.S. Department of Education to administer student loans for qualified candidates.

St. George's University is proud of the 990 graduates who were placed into first-year residency programs in the United States. No other medical school in the world provides more new doctors to the US healthcare system. They have practiced in competitive specialties including emergency medicine, neurology, anesthesiology, and more. SGU applauds all of our students who aspire to do the same.