

# PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

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According to U.S. News & World Report, 14 of the top 20 best jobs in the new decade are in health care professions. The College of Health Sciences (CHS) offers the largest number of health-related degree programs in Wisconsin, training our graduates to succeed in exciting high demand careers. Many health-related careers require advanced education beyond a bachelor's degree. While most graduate programs do not require students to have a specific undergraduate degree to apply, the CHS offers several high caliber pre-professional degree programs preparing students to be very competitive for graduate school applications. These quality undergraduate degree programs have been developed alongside the professional degree programs to provide a strong foundation to best prepare students for graduate school education. The pre-professional programs and program directors within CHS are:

**Pre-Athletic Training** (<http://catalog.uwm.edu/health-sciences/pre-professional-programs/pre-athletic-training/>): Christy Greenleaf, Ph.D. (<https://uwm.edu/healthsciences/directory/greenleaf-christy/>). Professor, BS Kinesiology Program Director

**Pre-Audiology** (<http://catalog.uwm.edu/health-sciences/pre-professional-programs/pre-audiology/>): Barbara Pauloski, Ph.D., CCC-SLP (<https://uwm.edu/healthsciences/directory/pauloski-barbara/>) Associate Professor, Undergraduate Program Coordinator

**Pre-Dietetics**: (<http://catalog.uwm.edu/health-sciences/pre-professional-programs/pre-dietetics/>) Lori Klos, Ph.D., RD (<https://uwm.edu/healthsciences/directory/klos-lori/>) Associate Professor, Nutritional Sciences Program Director

**Pre-Occupational Therapy** (<http://catalog.uwm.edu/health-sciences/pre-professional-programs/pre-occupational-therapy/>): Patricia Thomas, MPA, CTRS (<https://uwm.edu/healthsciences/directory/thomas-patricia/>) Clinical Associate Professor, Occupational Studies Coordinator

**Pre-Physical Therapy** (<http://catalog.uwm.edu/health-sciences/pre-professional-programs/pre-physical-therapy/>): Christy Greenleaf, Ph.D (<https://uwm.edu/healthsciences/directory/greenleaf-christy/>). Professor, BS Kinesiology Program Director

**Pre-Speech-Language Pathology**: (<http://catalog.uwm.edu/health-sciences/pre-professional-programs/pre-speech-language-pathology/>) Barbara Pauloski, Ph.D., CCC-SLP (<https://uwm.edu/healthsciences/directory/pauloski-barbara/>) Associate Professor, Undergraduate Program Coordinator

Please click on the specific Pre-Professional Program above for more information about the profession, curriculum, academic advising and more. If you have an interest in a specific health care professional program within the CHS, we strongly encourage you to sign up for your pre-professional designation (Pre-AT, Pre-Audiology, Pre-Dietetics, Pre-OT, Pre-PT, Pre-SLP). Speak with your advisor on how to request this pre-professional designation. Attaching this designation to your transcript will allow us to contact you regarding specific pre-professional activities such as information sessions, early admission programs, paid/unpaid experiences, student organizations and more. It will also allow you access to profession-specific advising to best prepare you for graduate school.

The pre-professional program specialized advisors within CHS are:

## **Pre-Occupational Therapy, Pre-Audiology, and Pre-Speech-Language Pathology:**

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