**Post-Baccalaureate Programs**

**What is a post-baccalaureate program?** The post-bac program offers you an opportunity for specific course study to advance your career or prepare you for graduate or professional school. Some programs will also offer internships and preceptorship experiences, preparation for admission tests, or volunteer hours.

There are various programs in the state of Texas and throughout the nation. The most common is an accelerated, one-year program, for students who have completed their undergraduate pre-med preparations and want to enhance their qualifications for entrance into medical or dental school. Programs range from 12 – 24 months and are designed to prepare students for acceptance into medical and dental schools, but at a slightly less rigorous pace.

**Selection Criteria:** This varies for each program, but most require a 3.0 GPA and a 496 MCAT score (17 DAT). These programs are very selective and many have class sizes of less than 50 students each year. Most programs require a bachelor’s degree, but all require that you have demonstrated academic excellence, proof of care giving experience (such as volunteer work), and you’ll need to provide letters of recommendation.

**Financial aid:** These schools do not provide financial aid scholarships, only federal loans. They are also very costly and that should be a factor in your decision to apply.

*Note: Successful completion* of one these programs requires a higher GPA than what you started with*

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**Various post-bacc programs in Texas:**

**University of North Texas Health Science Center**
*Receive a M.S. in Medical Sciences*
Location: Ft. Worth
817.735.2789
[https://www.unthsc.edu/](https://www.unthsc.edu/)
Min overall GPA: no minimum to apply
Required Test: MCAT (496), DAT (17), GRE (50%)
Time to complete: 12 months
Tuition: $12,500/yr
Application Opens: mid November
Application Fee: $40
Application Deadline: March 1
Acceptance Notification: Jan - April
Letters of Recommendation: 2
Program begins: End of May

**Texas Tech University Health Science Center**
*Receive a M.S. in Biomedical Sciences*
Location: Lubbock
806.743.2770
[http://www.ttuhsc.edu/](http://www.ttuhsc.edu/)
Min overall GPA: 3.0
Required Test: GRE (GMAT possible substitute)
Time to complete: 2 years
Tuition: $5,000/yr
Application Opens: early September
Application Fee: $45
Application Deadline: Early May
Letters of Recommendation: 2
Program begins: Fall
UT – Dallas

Receive a Certificate in Biomedical Sciences
Location: Richardson
972.883.6767
http://www.utdallas.edu/pre-health
Min overall GPA: 2.75
Required Test: MCAT/GRE
Enrollment: 30-ish students
Time to complete: 12 months
Tuition: $5,500/yr
Application Opens: Applytexas.org
Application Fee: $50
Application Deadline: Early March
Acceptance Notification: Contact school
Letters of Recommendation: 3
Program begins: Summer or Fall

Texas A&M University

Receive a M.S. in Biomedical Sciences
Location: College Station
979.845.6161
https://www.tamhsc.edu/
Min overall GPA: 3.0
Required Test: MCAT, DAT, GRE (300)
Enrollment: 50-ish students
Time to complete: 2 years
Tuition: $13,000/yr
Application Opens: Applytexas.org
Application Fee: $65
Application Deadline: March 1, June 1, and Nov 1
Acceptance Notification: 3 weeks after deadline
Letters of Recommendation: 3
Program begins: Summer, Fall, Spring

University of Incarnate Word

Receive a M.S. in Biomedical Sciences
Location: San Antonio
210.283.6998
http://www.uiw.edu/mbs/
Min overall GPA: 3.0
Required Test: DAT or GRE
Enrollment: 50-60
Time to complete: 12 months
Tuition: $36,800/yr
Application Opens: Early November
Application Fee: $50
Application Deadline: rolling until filled
Acceptance Notification: rolling
Letters of Recommendation: 3
Program begins: August

Texas A&M University

Receives acceptance into dental program upon successful completion of program
Location: Dallas
https://dentistry.tamhsc.edu/student-development/pbp-program.html
Min overall GPA: 3.4
Required Test: DAT 15
Enrollment: Up to 16
Time to complete: 12 months
Tuition: $30,000/yr
Application Opens: Contact school
Application Deadline: Early February
Acceptance Notification: No later than mid March
Letter of Recommendation: 3
Program begins: Mid-Late May

Please note: All information is subject to change at any time without notice. It is the responsibility of the applicant to remain up-to-date on all requirements.

For out of state medical programs: https://www.aamc.org/biomedical
For out of state dental programs: https://explorehealthcareers.org
Mississippi College http://www.mc.edu/ (search biomedical)