

2025-2026 Public Health Science Change of Major Process

Admission is competitive and an application is required to be considered to change your major to Health Science. The application process occurs once a year in the fall semester. Acceptance into Health Science is competitive and not guaranteed.

Timeline:

- August 20th: Application opens at 8AM
- **December 16th:** Application is due at 4:30PM (End of Business Day)
 - O All students who apply between August 20th at 8:00 am and December 16th at 4:30 pm will be given equal consideration.
- Winter Break: All applications are reviewed
- January 2nd 2026: Application decisions are sent out
- January 6th 2026: Required Change of Major meeting for all accepted students

Admission Criteria:

For Both First-Year and Upperclassmen

- 1. Space in program by cohort (graduation year)
 - 1. Space in the cohort varies year to year.
 - 2. 30 total change of major students were accepted out of 135 applicants in the Fall 2024 cycle.
- 2. Cumulative Clemson GPA (by the end of Fall semester: December 17, 2025)

For Upperclassmen Only

3. Completed Coursework *Only for students with more than 60 earned credit hours (See below chart)

Concentration	Math Requirement	Statistics Requirement	Science Requirement
Pre-Professional Health	MATH 1020 or MATH	STAT 2300 or STAT	BIOL 1030 and BIOL
	1060*	3090	1040**;
			CH 1010 and CH 1020
Health Promotion and	MATH 1010 or MATH	STAT 2300 or STAT	BIOL 1030/1050
Behavior	1020 or MATH 1060	3090	
Health Services	MATH 1010 or MATH	STAT 2300 or STAT	Any Natural Science
Administration	1020 or MATH 1060	3090	w/Lab

- MATH 1040+1070 will be accepted for MATH 1060 credit.
- BIOL 1100 and 1110 will also be accepted for Biology requirement.
- All coursework completed is considered—not based solely on coursework completed at Clemson.
- Students are responsible that all required credit is in DegreeWorks- especially if you are using transfer credit

Note: Students are allowed to apply once a year up to two times

- The application process occurs once a year during the fall semester.
- If you are not admitted on your first attempt, you can apply the following fall semester. (**There is no Spring application.**)

Fall 2024 Application Data:

Academic Year	Applied	Accepted
Freshmen	84	19
Sophomore	42	9
Junior	8	2
Senior	1	0



Average GPA:

- The average Cumulative GPA for the students admitted in the Fall 2024 cycle was 3.92.
- Decisions are heavily based on Cumulative Clemson GPA
 - o A minimum 2.25 (less than 60 hours) or 2.5 (more than 60 hours) is required
 - o The application pool is much more competitive than the minimum GPA requirements
- The GPA earned as of December 17, 2025, will be used.
- Students without a Clemson GPA can apply in the fall term and what is in the system at the end of the term will be used

Identifying a Parallel Plan

- We suggest all students identify a parallel plan that aligns with their career goals
- Choose classes that count for both current (or parallel) major and Health Science
- Be sure to research your parallel plan.
 - o Ex: Is it open or closed, curriculum, professional school pre-requisites

Other Recommended Majors

Note: You can major in anything and still be accepted into professional school if you have the necessary prerequisites. Health Science is not the only major that will get you there!

- Any science based major (B.S.) is a good first step
- Biological Sciences
- Microbiology
- Chemistry/Biochemistry
- Genetics
- Food Science and Human Nutrition
- Language and International Health (LIH)
- Parks Recreation and Tourism Management (PRTM)
- Psychology or Sociology
- Pre-Business/Specific Business areas (HSA concentration)

<u>Link to Application</u>: https://www.clemson.edu/cbshs/departments/public-health/

- o Application can be found at the above link under "Changing Majors to Public Health Sciences"
- Note: DO NOT Fill out the iRoar Change of Program Form. This is not the correct application and will be denied.

Helpful Resources

- <u>Health Professions Advising</u>: An entirely separate office on campus dedicated to helping students (regardless of major) plan for professional school
- <u>Health Science Certificate Program</u>: Add this certificate to any degree plan and you are able to take 3 core Health Science classes to supplement your current major
- For more information, please reach out to Health Science advisor Rylee Bowman (rbowma3@clemson.edu) or Graduate Assistant Bailey Chariker (bcharik@clemson.edu) "Explore Health Science" appointments are available on CU Navigate in the Fall and Spring semesters.