



## Your future is calling

*Working in health care takes a very special individual. Intelligent. Compassionate. Grounded. Insightful.* Assumption College recognizes the importance of preparing students academically, personally and ethically for meaningful careers in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, physical therapy, veterinary medicine and nursing, to name a few.

Assumption's outstanding science programs and strong liberal arts curriculum prepare you for the rigors of graduate school. You also will develop the observation, analysis, and communication skills, and personal moral compass you'll need for professional success.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Assumption's award-winning Richard and Janet Testa Science Center is a 60,000-square-foot facility that includes 17 teaching and research laboratories, five multi-use classrooms equipped with the latest technology, and a greenhouse.

## On your way

Have you always dreamed of becoming a doctor? Or, perhaps, you've pictured yourself as a dentist, physician assistant or nurse. Assumption has a strong tradition of preparing students for graduate school and successful careers in the health sciences.

To accomplish this, our highly credentialed professors work closely with you to plan your course of study. The array of science classes and laboratory credits available in our state-of-the-art Testa Science Center can fulfill the requirements for admission to the medical or professional school of your choice.

"I find my Assumption student interns are very bright, mature and studious. They shadow me as I evaluate patients and come into the operating room to witness the surgical treatment. It has been a great experience for them and us."

- Brian Busconi, M.D., Assistant Medical Director of the Red Sox, Associate Professor, Dept. of Orthopedics, UMass Memorial Medical Center

Assumption also has established numerous agreements with a variety of health sciences graduate programs to provide a smooth transition from your undergraduate degree to entering the graduate school of your choice.

In addition, we offer you many valuable opportunities to obtain hands-on experience in the life sciences industry of Worcester, Massachusetts. There also are faculty-student research opportunities right on campus. Academic rigor and practical experience provide Assumption students with noteworthy achievements for their graduate school applications.



ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

Light the way.

## Course of study

The broad liberal arts curriculum at Assumption means you'll study science, math, history, philosophy, political science, English, and theology. You'll gain a well-rounded education, a definite advantage when it comes to applying to graduate schools. Our affiliated institutions recognize the quality of our graduates – and not just our science majors.

If you wish to enter a health profession you can generally major in a discipline of your choice. You can work closely with our health professions coordinator, Professor Steven Theroux, to develop your course schedule in accordance with your professional ambitions and personal academic interests. (While there is no universal standard for medical or dental school admissions, most require some specific science course work.)

### ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS

Assumption has established partnerships with other renowned colleges and universities to provide our graduates with seats in a variety of health profession graduate programs:

Chiropractic Medicine  
Medicine  
Nursing  
Optometry  
Pharmacy  
Physician Assistant  
Physical Therapy  
Podiatry

### HEALTH PROFESSIONS

The Health Professions Program is designed to help students begin a career or enter graduate school in one of the health professions by preparing them to earn good grades and strong scores on graduate school admissions tests and interviews. Health Professions advising begins in your first year on campus, with career advice and counseling on applying to graduate school. One-on-one mentoring provides students with the guidance they need to navigate their future. To prepare for rigorous graduate school entrance exams, students work with Kaplan Test Prep, which offers Assumption students discounted courses for several graduate school tests.

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## Learn by doing

In order to enhance your understanding of the health professions and increase the competitiveness of your graduate school applications, Assumption encourages you to apply for an internship. Assumption also offers a paid summer-research program for students.

Here in Worcester, we're surrounded by innovative life sciences organizations and health care providers that seek motivated undergraduates to conduct research, observe patient care, and assist health professionals. Through an internship, you strengthen your knowledge, confidence, and professionalism, and you'll also make important connections that may open doors to future careers.

# 72%

of students from the Class of 2014 had at least one internship experience prior to graduation

### SAMPLE INTERNSHIP SITES

Blue Sky Biotech  
GLSynthesis Inc.  
Harvard University  
New England Aquarium  
Office of the Massachusetts Medical Examiner  
Red Sox Assistant Medical Director  
University of Massachusetts Medical School

## WHAT'S NEXT?

Assumption has a long track record of students getting into graduate school in the health sciences. In fact, 85 percent of the students who applied to medical school in the last five years were accepted. That's quite an accomplishment.

### SAMPLE RECENT GRADUATE SCHOOLS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Boston University School of Dental Medicine  
Dartmouth College  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences  
National Institutes of Health post-baccalaureate fellowship  
Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University  
Tufts University School of Dental Medicine  
University of Massachusetts Medical School  
University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine  
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine  
Yale University