

Pre-Optometry (AS)

Degree Type: Associate of Science Degree—University Parallel Major

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Purpose: Transfer. The AS in Pre-Optometry is designed so that students in our service area can take the basic pre-optometry requirements through Three Rivers College. Students would then transfer to the University of Missouri St. Louis (UMSL) to complete their undergraduate requirements prior to taking the Optometry Admission Test (OAT) and admission into the Doctor of Optometry degree program at UMSL College of Optometry. The OAT consists of four tests: Survey of the Natural Sciences (Biology, General Chemistry, and Organic Chemistry), Reading Comprehension, Physics, and Quantitative Reasoning.

FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester			Hours	
ENGL	111	College Writing	3	
CHEM	121	General Chemistry I	5	
MATH	223	Statistics	3	
PSYC	111	General Psychology	3	
TOTAL HOURS			14	

Spring Semester			Hours	
ENGL	112	Advanced College Writing	3	
BIOL	190	Biology for Majors	5	
CHEM	122	General Chemistry II	5	
MATH	171	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I	5	
TOTAL HOURS			18	

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester			Hours	
BIOL	231	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	
CHEM	240	Basic Organic Chemistry	5	
PHYS	211	General Physics I	5	
PSYC	243	Human Development Across the Lifespan	3	
TOTAL HOURS			17	

Spring Semester			Hours	
BIOL	253	Microbiology	4	
GOVT	121	National and State Government	3	
PHYS	212	General Physics II	5	
BMGT	239	Entrepreneurship -or-	3	
ACCT	211	Principles of Accounting -or-		
BUAD	120	Introduction to Business		
TOTAL HOURS			15	

NOTE: The following course is required by the University of Missouri St. Louis (UMSL) School of Optometry – Organic Chemistry I (with lab). It is strongly recommended that students take Biochemistry and Cell Biology prior to taking the OAT.

Please see individual course descriptions for prerequisites, corequisites, and/or other requirements.