

Department of Allied Health Sciences
ACES Pre-Orientation Training 2025

There are 4 undergraduate majors within the Department of Allied Health Sciences

- Allied Health Sciences (AHS)
- Dietetics (DIET) 4+1 UG/Master's program
- Diagnostic Genetic Sciences (DGS)
- Medical Laboratory Sciences (MLS)

Who majors in AHS?

Students who are interested in pursuing a career in healthcare but not sure what.

Students seeking employment in health care.

Students pursuing admission to graduate professional health programs (MD/DO, PA, PT, OT, RN, etc.)

Students interested in applying to DGS, DIET, or MLS

Students can complete AHS at Storrs or Waterbury

AHS requirements for internal admission:

- o Be in good academic standing with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher
- o Completion of: CHEM 1000-level with lab; BIOL 1107 (preferred) or 1108; STAT 1000Q or STAT 1100Q, or MATH 1060Q or higher
- o competitive admission, required courses above must be completed when applying
- o the number of students admitted is based on the availability we have in the major
- o application open during the first 10 days of every semester, online
<https://alliedhealth.uconn.edu/apply/ahs-major-admissions/>

Some notes:

- For incoming students during orientation- they can request a major change in their admissions portal.
- AH 1100 Intro to Health Professions- open to freshman/sophomores all majors (full for F25)

Professional majors: DGS, DIET, MLS

- Competitive admission - junior/senior programs
 - o Recommend students meet with program directors with any questions about prerequisites. There can be some flexibility
- Requires a supplemental application (typically 2nd year) due Feb. 1
 - o Often will accept late applications based on available spots
- Students graduate with the major and sit for their respective professional licensure
 - o sitting for the RD exam now requires a Master's degree

- Academic Advising Center

- How to reach us: alliedhealthadvising@uconn.edu (students, staff, faculty)
- Appointments for non-majors through Nexus. They can register for a Non-advisee Appointment
- Waterbury specific questions- Tamara.Kaliszewski@uconn.edu
- Urgent questions from staff/faculty can email Lauren.Wilson@uconn.edu directly or message on Teams

Top 5 Takeaways

- AHS is for any student interested in health or healthcare
- Contact us: alliedhealthadvising@uconn.edu
- AH 1100 open to all students freshman/sophomore
- Passing grade (D- or higher) to be eligible to apply to AHS as an internal applicant
- AHS offered at Waterbury and Storrs