

Grand Canyon University Prerequisites

ARIZONA CVM PREREQUISITES

(must meet or exceed credits in all areas listed; no grade can be below a 'C-')

CVM Prerequisites	GCU Courses that would satisfy the requirement
General Biology I and II (6 credits)	BIO 181, BIO 182, or MIC 205
General Chemistry I and II (6 credits)	CHM 113 and CHM 115
Physics I or Biophysics I (3 credits)	PHY 111, PHY 112, or PHY 121
Organic Chemistry I and II, Biochemistry I and II, or one course of each (6 credits)	CHM 231, CHM 232, CHM 360, or CHM 460
College Algebra, Trigonometry, pre-Calculus, Calculus, or Statistics (3 credits)	MAT 154, MAT 261, MAT 252, or MAT 274
Arts and Humanities (6 credits)	Courses from any of the following: art, dance, music, theater, history, philosophy, ethics, literature, religion, modern/ classical/foreign language
Social Sciences (6 credits)	Courses from any of the following: psychology, sociology, anthropology, public health, gender women studies, communication, political science, economics, education
English Composition (3 credits)	ENG 105 or ENG 106

- In order for a course to fulfill our veterinary prerequisites, the course must be taken at an institution whose regional accreditation is recognized the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).
- International transcripts (to include Canada) must be processed through a transcript evaluation service. Only electronically submitted [World Education Services](#) (WES) “course-by-course” evaluations will be accepted by [VMCAS](#) and must be received by VMCAS before September 15.
- Courses must be a grade of C- or higher.
- Our science prerequisites do not require labs, however, labs are strongly recommended. Lab credits taken in conjunction with a lecture-style course (or similar) do count toward GPAs.
- Online and community college courses are acceptable.
- College course credit awarded for AP science courses may fulfill the relevant core prerequisites. The admissions committee will also expect to see advanced-level undergraduate courses in the science disciplines for which the AP credit was awarded.
- CLEP, AP, and IB credits are acceptable only if shown on a college transcript from an accredited undergraduate degree-granting institution. If they show as a grade of “G” on transcripts, we will ask for your scores.

- We will accept pass/fail prerequisite courses if taken during Spring and Summer 2020 as part of the COVID-19 consideration. No more than half of a student's prerequisites can be graded pass/fail.
- We require a minimum cumulative, prerequisite, and science GPA of 3.0, with no grade below a "C-". If applicants do not meet the minimum GPAs, further consideration will be granted to applicants that possess GPAs between a 2.75 and a 3.0 GPA. Please refer to the VMCAS course classification guide when calculating your overall undergraduate science and overall GPA as it may be different from your school's local GPA calculation.
- Courses may be repeated to meet the grade requirement. Only the highest grade will be factored into the prerequisite GPA, however the lower grade may be factored into the overall and science GPA by VMCAS.
- Graduate and post-baccalaureate coursework will be considered for all prerequisites.
- We do not have an expiration date for coursework. However, we recommend more recent coursework to ensure students are prepared for our rigorous program.