

Pre-Optometry Curriculum Guide 2025-2026*

Course Requirements for Michigan College of Optometry

Requirements	CMU courses accepted by Michigan College of Optometry
Biology	BIO 111 & BIO 112
Microbiology	BIO 320 or BIO 208**
Chemistry	CHM 131 & CHM 132
Organic Chemistry	CHM 345, 346 & 349
Biochemistry	CHM 421 or CHM 520 or CHM 521 & CHM 522
Physics	PHY 130, 170, 131, 171 or PHY 145, 145, 175, 176
Calculus I	MTH 132
Statistics	STA 282 or 382 or BIO 500 or PSY 211
Psychology	PSY 100
Strongly Recommended Courses (in order of importance)	Physiology, Genetics, Cell Biology, Anatomy, Developmental Biology, Business Management or Accounting, Speech (COM 101)
Minimum Prerequisite GPA	Minimum grade of C in each course.
Average GPA for incoming class	3.56 Cumulative
Average OAT for incoming class	323 Academic Average
Letters of Recommendation	1 Faculty, 1 Optometrist, 1 additional (not faculty or optometrist)

* Students are encouraged to meet regularly with their pre-health academic advisors and faculty advisors.

** BIO 208 does not count toward any Biology major

***Each professional school has their own policy on whether to accept credit from community college courses.

Students must contact the schools individually to determine their policies.

**** Most Biology, Chemistry, Math and Physics class must be completed by February 1st deadline.

*****Michigan College of Optometry does accept CLEP/AP credit

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