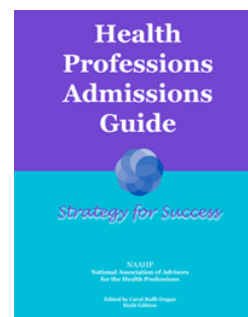


## FACTORS THAT ARE EVALUATED BY HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL ADMISSIONS COMMITTEES

- Academic record, including appropriate course prerequisites and GPA (“science” and overall)
- A standardized test score
- Letters of evaluation/recommendation (note that Penn State has a Committee Interview Letter process)
- Health-related experience (“substantial exposure” or a specific required number of hours/experiences)
- Extracurricular activities and work experience in other, non-clinical/health profession settings
- Research experience
- Work (the value of work)
- Study Abroad (if one studies abroad)
- Internships
- Enrichment programs (example: summer programs)
- Personal attributes, such as leadership and communication skills, commitment to service, problem solving abilities, and a sincere desire to enter a helping health care profession
- Informed of the practice of the health profession
- Professionalism, maturity, and judgment
- Sensitivity and awareness of diversity
- Personal statement and other application materials
- The interview

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