

# IMMUNIZATIONS

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All Creighton University students are required to comply with the University's immunization requirements. Students receive approval for course registration upon the completion and verification of their immunization records as coordinated by the Student Health Education and Compliance Office. Failure to meet these requirements will result in denial of class registration privileges. The requirements follow CDC guidelines and are reviewed annually. Immunization requirements apply to all students. International students, health science students and residential students (living in campus housing) have specific requirements. The Student Health Education and Compliance Office is the official record keeper for Creighton University regarding student immunizations and University immunization requirements. Please consult the Student Immunization Requirements website (<https://www.creighton.edu/student-experience/wellness/health-and-counseling/student-health-education-and-compliance/immunization-requirements/>) for additional details.

All admitted, entry-level SPAHP students are required to be compliant with the health sciences student immunization requirements. Immunization records are submitted to the Student Health Education and Compliance Office via Birdhouse, the online tracking system. Students will not be allowed to enroll if documentation of vaccination against measles, mumps, rubella, polio, varicella (chickenpox), tetanus-diphtheria (the last dose or booster within the past ten years), and tuberculosis screening is not received by August 1st prior to their anticipated matriculation date. Tuberculosis documentation must include a two-step PPD skin test at the beginning of the annual testing cycle followed by a yearly PPD skin test (An explanation of the two-step PPD test is available online on the Creighton Center for Health and Counseling website at [www.creighton.edu/chc](http://www.creighton.edu/chc)). Any student with a positive PPD skin test (defined as a reaction greater than 10mm) must submit documentation in the form of a written physician's report and chest x-ray done in the U.S. within the past 12 months. A history of BCG vaccine does not preclude a student from PPD skin testing. By the end of the second semester of enrollment in the SPAHP, students are required to complete a series of hepatitis B vaccinations followed by a titer proving immunity.

Post-professional students who have an experiential education component are required to comply with the Creighton University Health Science students immunization requirements prior to engaging in experiential education activities. The Program Director will inform post-professional students in advance of when required immunization documentation must be submitted and will monitor student compliance.

Students may request a waiver of immunization or screening only if they can document that they have been previously immunized or screened, or where there is a documented medical contraindication. Students considering international experiential training should be aware that additional immunizations may be required in order to comply with health requirements outside of the United States.