Biochemistry Major
Medical Science Emphasis Only
MDSC Petition for exemption from BCH 96/BCH 98I

Students who enter into the Biochemistry major with a Medical Science Emphasis in their Junior or Senior year must petition to waive completion of BCH 96 and BCH 98I. Petitioning to waive completion of BCH 96 and BCH 98I does not exempt the student from completing the required 30 hours of volunteer work/internship for this emphasis. Approval of the petition will indicate that the student does not have to enroll in BCH 96 and BCH 98I, but must still complete the required volunteer work/internship.

In order to petition to waive these two courses, you must do the following:

Prepare a typed statement (1-2 pages) indicating the basis for the exemption from taking BCH 96
1. The statement should address what you, as the student, have done that replaces the material or experience of this course (refer to the UCR General Catalog for course description)
2. The statement must include the student's full name, student ID number, telephone number, and UCR e-mail address

Prepare a typed statement (1-2 pages) indicating the basis for the exemption from taking BCH 98I
1. The statement should address your involvement with patient care and what you, as the student, have done that replaces the material or experience of this course
2. If volunteer work, or an internship, has been completed or is currently in progress, the student should describe the following in detail:
   a. The location where work was completed
   b. Nature of volunteer activities (give as many examples as possible)
   c. Detailed calculation of the number of hours completed
   d. Name, address, and telephone number of one or more supervisors for the internship/volunteer work
3. Once both statements and the MDSC Petition (http://cnasstudent.ucr.edu/files/BCH%2098I%20MDSC%20PETITION.pdf) have been completed, the student will need to schedule an appointment to meet with Dr. Miriam Ziegler for her approval and signature. Her phone number is (951) 827-2047 or email her at miriam.ziegler@ucr.edu
4. You will then submit the MDSC Petition with attachments to the front desk of 1223 Pierce Hall (to the attention of your advisor: Denise Correll or Tiffany Medley) and they will make appropriate changes to your record.

Please note: if the petition is approved, it is the responsibility of the student to make certain that 180 total units will be earned not counting these two units for his/her overall degree requirements.