



Memorandum Regarding the Status of Committee Letters for the 2024-2025 Application Cycle

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The CLAS Academic Advising Center will not be offering the committee letter service for the upcoming 2024-2025 application cycle (starting May 2024 for Fall 2025 admission). This decision was made after careful consideration of trends in health professions advising, medical and dental school admissions processes, and assessment of the increasing workload of the advising center.

We understand the importance of letters of evaluation in medical and dental application processes, and steps have been taken to ensure that this change will not adversely impact future applicants. We have been in close communication with the Michigan medical and dental schools, and they have assured us that this will not have any negative effects on prospective applicants.

The CLAS Advising Center remains committed to supporting GVSU preprofessional students and alumni in their academic and professional pursuits. We will continue to offer self-assessment reviews with our preprofessional advisors. Additionally, we are introducing an optional Letter Packet Service for PreMed and PreDental students. Starting in mid-February 2024, applicants for the 2024-2025 cycle will have the opportunity to request individual letters of evaluation to be included in a letter packet, which will be submitted with their applications when they open in May.

For detailed information on the Letter Packet process, including how to request and submit letters, we encourage you to visit our Ready to Apply website: <https://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising/ready-to-apply-233.htm> .

We understand that this change may raise questions or concerns, and we are here to assist throughout this transition. Please feel free to reach out to us with any inquiries you may have; students and alumni are encouraged to schedule an appointment with one of the preprofessional advisors via www.gvsu.edu/navigate.

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