

M.D. PROGRAM ADVANCED STANDING APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The M.D. program only accepts applicants from LCME accredited, allopathic programs in the U.S. and Canada for **third year standing**. The number of seats available varies. Some years there are ultimately no seats available.

For more information on the GW M.D. program and to download the Admissions Handbook, please review our website at <http://smhs.gwu.edu/mdprograms>

I. ELIGIBILITY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

U.S. Citizens, U.S. Permanent Residents or Canadian Citizens are eligible to apply.

- **Students eligible** are enrolled in LCME accredited U.S. or Canadian schools of allopathic medicine.
- Students in other health related programs including: osteopathic, physician assistant, chiropractic, dental, podiatric, doctoral programs or from foreign medical schools **are not eligible**.
- M.D. degree holders **are not eligible**.
- Status in medical program: All applicants must be in good standing and/or be eligible to reenter his/her medical school if their education has been interrupted. If you cannot meet this requirement we **cannot accept** your application for transfer.

II. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Successful completion of a Bachelor's Degree at an accredited U.S. or Canadian college or university, with at least 6 semester hours in English and 8 semester hours (including 2 semester hours of laboratory work) in each of the following: biology or zoology (not botany), general (inorganic) chemistry, organic chemistry and/or biochemistry, and physics as well as a minimum of 3 semester hours of social/behavioral science coursework
- Competitive GPAs and MCATs are expected.

US Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE)

- Passing score on USMLE Step 1 **must be received no later** than April 1 in the year you are applying for transfer
- Please note we cannot act as a sponsor for the USMLE. Students can register for the test through their Dean's office.
- Students must be available to begin GW's Clinical Curriculum on April 1

Curriculum

The applicant **must** have passed a course of study at least equivalent to The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences Preclinical curriculum.

- All curricula will be reviewed by a subcommittee of members of the Committee on Admissions, Student Affairs and Curriculum deans.

III. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Deadline – All documentation will be accepted **no later than February 1.**

All applicants must submit:

- Application for Admission with Advanced Standing** - Recheck your application to see that all information is complete and correct. Please retain a copy of this completed application for your records. All questions must be answered.
- Nonrefundable \$125 application fee.**
- Letters of evaluation** - required (3 minimum):
 - Dean's Letter of good standing - The Dean of the medical school at which the student is enrolled must state that the applicant is eligible to continue in that program and give the reasons for transfer and an overall evaluation of the student.
 - Preclinical Faculty - The other two letters should be from members of different basic science departments and/or from others with pertinent knowledge of the applicant's experiences.
 - Undergraduate (or premed advisor) is desirable, if available.
- Official transcripts** - Submit official transcripts directly to the Admissions Office from your medical school and any colleges/universities you have attended since graduation from high school.
- Scores** - MCAT & USMLE Step 1 Scores
 - As soon as you receive your scores please fax them to 202-994-1753, submit them to medadmit@gwu.edu and call us at 202-994-3506.
 - Applicants must convey their scores themselves and arrange for formal confirmation of these self-reported results.
- Copy of AMCAS application**
- Resume**

IV. REVIEW PROCESS

- The School of Medicine and Health Sciences does not assume an obligation to report missing or erroneous credentials, but we will try to contact the applicant if any of the necessary materials are lacking from an application file.
- Applicants will be reviewed when their files are complete.
- All questions must be answered directly on the application. (Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.)
- Applications are reviewed in the order they are received and completed.
- The Committee on Admissions is particularly interested in the personal and narrative statements and experiences included on the application as well as competitive academic performance.
- Interview Process - The Committee may request an interview with selected students. Those offered positions will come from the group we have interviewed.

V. ACCEPTANCE

- Official confirmation of the self-reported MCAT and passing USMLE Step I scores will be required.
- Initial decisions may be based on the self-reported data on the application form, but students must have all final, passing grades reported on an official transcript.
- The submission of false or misleading information or concealing material information on this application form or in connection with the application process shall be grounds for rejection. If such submission is discovered after entrance into the school or award of degree, it shall be grounds for immediate dismissal or for revocation of the degree.
- Criminal Background Check - Accepted students will undergo a Criminal Background Check and be subject to drug screening.

NOTIFICATIONS

Your patience in awaiting our notification will be appreciated. Acceptances are announced as seats become available.

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Mission & Vision

The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences is dedicated to improving the health of our local, national, and global communities by:

- Educating a diverse workforce of tomorrow's leaders in medicine, science, and health sciences.
- Healing through innovative and compassionate care.
- Advancing biomedical, translational and health services delivery research with an emphasis on multidisciplinary collaboration.
- Promoting a culture of excellence through inclusion, service, and advocacy.

As a globally recognized academic medical center, GW embraces the challenge of eliminating health disparities and transforming health care to enrich and improve the lives of those we serve.

The University reserves the right to change courses, programs, and fees, or to make other changes deemed necessary or desirable, giving advance notice of change when possible.

The George Washington University does not unlawfully discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression. This policy covers all programs, services, policies, and procedures of the University, including admission to educational programs and employment. The University is also subject to the District of Columbia Human Rights Law.

GW is committed to assisting all members of the GW community in providing for their own safety and security. The Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is available on the UPD website at <http://police.gwu.edu/annual-security-fire-safety-report-compliance-information>

If you would like to receive a booklet called "the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report" which contains this information, you can stop by the University Police Department at Rome Hall 101, 801 22nd Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20052 or you can request that a copy be mailed to you by calling (202) 994-6948.

The website and booklet contain information regarding campus security and personal safety including such topics as: crime prevention, university police law enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, disciplinary procedures and other information related to safety and security on campus. They also contain information about crime statistics for the three previous calendar years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by GW; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. This information is required by law and is provided by the George Washington University Police Department.