

Everything You Need to Know About Admissions



College of Human Medicine
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Prerequisites for Admission

1. Be a U.S. or Canadian citizen or permanent resident of the United States
2. Have a valid U.S. or Canadian Driver's License
3. Reliable vehicle upon matriculation
4. Have completed at least a four-year high school education or equivalent
5. Have completed all premedical requirements, including a bachelor's degree earned in the U.S. or Canada
6. Have taken the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT)
7. Have taken the either the [CASPer Test](#) or the [AAMC PREview™](#) Professional Readiness Exam
8. Completion of all pre-requisite coursework.
 - a. There are four models you can follow for the completion of this work. See the [link here](#) for more information.

Applying and Application Cycle

Required Item	Deadlines	Requirement Details
College of Human Medicine AMCAS Application Portal Completed	Application Opens: End of May Application Closes: End of October	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AMCAS is a centralized application portal• Please contact your undergraduate pre-health advisor for more information about accessing this site
Secondary Application Completed	End of November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Secondary essays• Application for certificate programs• Applicants who do not submit a secondary application will be withdrawn automatically
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scores can be no more than four years old at the time of submission

Scores Submitted: MCAT	Mid-September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More information on final dates to submit your MCAT found here
Scores Submitted: Casper and/or PREview	Mid-September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The College of Human Medicine requires Casper or PREview, but not both • For more information follow Casper link or the PREview link
Letters of Evaluation Submitted	End of November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters are submitted through AMCAS • Submit a minimum of three letters • More details about the letters can be found at this link
Background Check	Sent by Certiphi: After January 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil infractions of any level need to be disclosed on the AMCAS Application at the time of submission
Check Application Status		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All details about your application status are found in the CHM Applicant Portal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Applicants are notified by email when their status changes • Use the CHM Applicant Portal to check your application status. When a final decision is made on your application, that decision will be posted to your status page in the CHM Applicant Portal by 5:00 pm on the notification date. If you check your status and there is no change, it means only that the Committee has not yet made a final decision on your application • <i>Office of Admissions staff members are unable to provide you with specific information about when a final decision will be made</i>

Additional details and histories about the application process can be found [here](#).

Additional Programs

- MD/PhD Program
- Certificate Programs for Regular MD Students
 - Leadership in Medicine for the Underserved
 - Leadership in Rural Medicine
 - Medical Partners in Public Health

Please note that the Certificate Programs are non-degree programs that provide students with additional experiences and expertise in a mission-centric area while pursuing their MD degree.

Please see the table below for specific information on applying to these programs. Additional information on programs can be found [here](#).

Program	Required for Application	Deadlines
MD/PhD	AMCAS Application	Application Opens: End of May Application Closes: Beginning of October
	Casper and/or PREview	Beginning of September
	Secondary Application	End of October
Certificate Programs for Regular MD Applicants	Secondary Application	End of November

Joint MD/Master's Programs

There are two options for students to earn a master's degree along with their MD degree. These programs can be applied to through their respective Colleges. Please see the table below for more information.

Program	Program Contact	Website
MD/Masters of Public Health (MD/MPH)	Dr. Carol Parker, PhD, MPH Executive Director of Academic Affairs with the College of Human Medicine parkerca@msu.edu Twynette Mixon, MA, LLPC Advisor for the CS Mott	MD/MPH

	Department of Public Health mixontwy@msu.edu	
MD/Masters of Business Administration (MD/MBA)	Wayne Hutchison, Ph.D. Managing Director Full-Time MBA Program Broad College of Business hutchison@broad.msu.edu 517-432-6504	MD/MBA

Selection Process

MCAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 Average MCAT Score, 511 • Aim for a score of 505, however this is not a minimum threshold
Casper and/or PREview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online exams • Assesses for non-cognitive skills and interpersonal characteristics that are important for successful students and graduates of our program • Examinations do cost, please check the Casper and PREview links for more information
Classroom Metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 Average GPA, 3.75; Science GPA 3.68 • Aim for a cumulative GPA of 3.5, however this is not a minimum threshold
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community service/volunteer work – clinical • Community service/volunteer work – nonclinical • Physician shadowing • Research/lab • Leadership roles • Teamwork • Experience with people different from themselves • Paid employment • Military service • Teaching/tutoring • Publications/posters
State Residence	Accepted Students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 85% Michigan Residents

<p>Early Assurance Pathways</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 15% Out of State Residents ● Available to applicants whose undergraduate institutions have articulation agreements with CHM, including MSU ● Students apply in their junior year of undergrad ● Students work with their pre-health advisor for the application ● Preference given to students with the following attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Are the first-generation to attend college ○ Graduated from a low-income high school ○ Are eligible for need-based grants ○ Express and support an interest in a high-need medical specialty area ● Students must earn a minimum GPA of 3.0 and a MCAT score of 500 ● More on if you are eligible for the program here
<p>Advanced Baccalaureate Learning Experience (ABLE)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No application-- students are selected for the program after they apply to the College and show a benefit for the program within their application packet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students offered a spot in ABLE after admission ● Yearlong enriched academic experience ● The year long program consists of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Upper-division (300-400 level) undergraduate science courses ○ Courses that reside in the College of Human Medicine

Applicant Outcomes

Each application is screened by the College in a Preliminary Review. This process will result in one of three things:

1. **You will be invited to interview.** If you are invited to interview you will receive an invitation by email. Invitations to interview are extended first to applicants who are residents of Michigan and to those who closely fit the mission of the college.
2. **You will not be invited to interview**
3. **Your application will be placed on hold** (This may significantly delay a decision to extend an invitation to interview or reject the application.)

Once a student has completed an interview with the College, their **application portfolio** is holistically reviewed by the Admissions Committee. Students are notified by the College if their application has ended without being offered a spot, placed on the alternate list, ABLE selection committee, referred to the MD/PhD selection committee, or given a conditional or official acceptance.

Once students have been notified, there are several things to remember. Please see the chart below for more details.

Applicants Not Offered an Acceptance

- Decisions made by the Committee on Admissions are final
- Decisions are not subject to appeal
- If you did not receive an acceptance offer, consider reviewing the Self Reflection Guide

Alternate List

- If you are placed on the Alternate list, your file will remain under consideration for acceptance until we notify you of a change in your status
- Alternates may add additional information (i.e., additional grades, new clinical, volunteer, and/or research experiences, additional letters of evaluation, letter of continued interest) to their file at any time
 - *This is the only instance in which additional information will be accepted.*
- Alternate files are not ranked and are reviewed whenever the number of accepted applicants falls below the entering class size
 - **Acceptances from the Alternate list are made through mid-August of each application cycle**

ABLE Program Referral

- A final decision on your application will be made by the ABLE Selection Committee in **June**.
- If you are accepted into ABLE and successfully complete all phases of this post-baccalaureate program, you are guaranteed regular admission to the following entering medical school class.
- If you are not accepted into ABLE, the application process is complete and no further consideration will be given to your application.

Conditional Accept

- Conditional offers of admission are pending receipt by the college of a clear Criminal Background Check (CBC).
- All conditionally accepted applicants will receive notice either confirming or rescinding the offer of admission.

Accept

- Acceptances are made after a holistic review of your application by our Admissions Committee.
- A \$100 deposit is required within two weeks of an acceptance to hold your place in the College.
- You may select "Plan to Enroll" through AMCAS's Choose Your Medical School Tool beginning in mid-February.
 - By selecting "Plan to Enroll" you are still able to hold other acceptances.
- Commitment to MSU CHM for matriculating students opens at the end of April and closes in the summer.
- Matriculation and orientation begin in August of each year.
- Financial Aid information can be found [here](#).

Referral to MD/PhD Program

- Applicants applying MD/PhD who are invited for interview will interview with both the CHM Admissions Committee and the MSU Graduate School
- If either process chooses to not interview, the MD/PhD application ends (Of note, CHM will not consider MD/PhD applicants for regular MD acceptance if they are not offered a position in this program)
- After interviews, both admissions processes must independently agree to refer the applicant to the MD/PhD Selection Committee
- Offers from this committee are typically made in January and February, but can sometimes extend into March and April

When to Contact the Admissions Office

- To respond to an accepted offer by April 30th of each year
- Please use the **College of Human Medicine Application Portal** for updates on your application status.
- Please refer to your institution's Pre-Health Advisor for questions regarding your application contents, interview recommendations and career guidance.