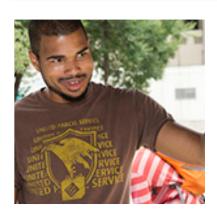
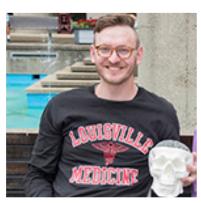
# UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE













Office Of Admissions
Admissions Policies &
Procedures

The University of Louisville School of Medicine Campus sits amid a growing metropolitan medical center. Four hospitals and a number of auxiliary medical facilities are within walking distance of the campus...



## **Table of Contents**

| Current Trends and Class Profile | 3     |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Admissions Selection             | 4     |
| Pre-Med Curriculum               | 4     |
| Application Timetable            | 5     |
| Letters of Recommendation        | 5-6   |
| Early Decision Program           | 6     |
| Application Time Line            | 7-8   |
| Criminal Background Check Policy | 8     |
| Transfers                        | 8     |
| International Applicants         | 8-9   |
| Inquiries                        | 9     |
| Medical Education Program        | 9-10  |
| Trover Rural Track               | 10    |
| Dual Degrees                     | 11-12 |
| Financial Aid                    | 12-14 |
| Housing                          | 1/    |

## University of Louisville School of Medicine

One of the oldest medical schools in the United States, the University of Louisville School of Medicine offers exceptional education and training, with exposure to a wide variety of medical specialties. Five teaching hospitals are available to medical students, all of which offer clinical experiences involving a large and diverse patient base. We excel in the education of physicians and scientists for careers in teaching, research, patient care and service. Our research brings fundamental discoveries to the bedside, and is a vital component in the University's mission to be a premier, nationally recognized metropolitan research university.

#### **Current Trends and Class Profile**

Kentucky residents are selected for 120 seats in our School of Medicine class of approximately 160. The out of state seats are awarded with consideration given to superior academic achievement and MCAT scores, Kentucky ties (family of history, formerly from KY, attendance at a Kentucky undergraduate institution, regional proximity) and underrepresented population status. The general applicant pool has become increasingly more competitive. The following statistics reflect the makeup of our most recent first year class, 2018.

## 2018 University of Louisville School of Medicine **Entering Class Statistics**

| 3.65 | Overall GPA                                       |
|------|---|
| 3.55 | BCPM (Biology, Chemistry, Physics & Math) GPA     |
| 508  | MCAT - Average total score                        |
| 57%  | Male  |
| 43%  | Female  |
| 43   | Students are University of Louisville graduates   |
| 58   | Colleges/Universities represented                 |
| 12%  | Natives of PEPP (manpower shortage area) counties |
| 28%  | Jefferson County residents                        |
| 6%   | Nontraditional students ranging in age from 27-32 |
| 11%  | Underrepresented in medicine                      |

#### **Admissions Selection**

Applicants to the first year class of the University of Louisville School of Medicine are considered individually and are selected based on merit without consideration of race, sexual orientation, religion, gender, age or national origin. Although applications from nonresidents are accepted, residents of Kentucky are given preference for admission. This policy is consistent with the mission of the University of Louisville as a part of the state university system.

The Admissions Committee evaluates an applicant's acceptability based on the entire academic record (undergraduate and graduate), Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) scores, and premedical advisory committee recommendations. The applicant's communication skills, personality and motivation are evaluated by interviews with members of the committee. Extracurricular activities and medical exposure are also important elements of the applicant evaluation. Complete undergraduate preparation is strongly encouraged. The minimum prerequisites are listed under the Pre-Med Curriculum. Your best resource for determining the appropriate prerequisite courses is the pre-med advisor at your undergraduate institution.

Interviews are arranged by the Admissions Office for each applicant whose credentials appear to warrant further exploration. The interview day schedule provides the applicant an opportunity to talk with medical students and to see the facilities of the Health Sciences Center.

### **Pre-Med Curriculum**

Completion of the following courses is required prior to matriculation.

- 2 Semesters of General Biology with labs
- 2 Semesters of General Chemistry with labs
- 2 Semesters of Organic Chemistry with labs
- 2 Semesters of General Physics with labs
- 2 Semesters of English
- 1 Semester of Calculus or
  - 2 Semesters of Other College Mathematics

In addition, a biochemistry course is strongly encouraged to further strengthen the premedical academic foundation. A biochemistry lecture course may substitute for the second semester organic chemistry lab requirement.

For specific details about the required prerequisite courses see http://louisville.edu/medicine/admissions/app-process/complete-prerequisites.

## **Application Timetable**

The University of Louisville School of Medicine (ULSOM) participates in the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS). Application materials must be accessed directly from the AMCAS web site and should be available late May to early June. The application deadline is October 15, but early application is encouraged.

**Contact AMCAS:** 

Phone: (202) 828-0600 Email: amcas@aamc.org

Web address: https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/amcas/

Upon receipt of the AMCAS application, qualified applicants are directed to complete a ULSOM secondary application that requires a non-refundable processing fee of \$75. If the applicant is accepted, the fee cannot be credited toward tuition. The fee may be waived, however, if the applicant has received a fee waiver from AMCAS.

The Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) is required of all applicants. The MCAT is a computer based test, and is given multiple times between the months of January and September. It is best to take the MCAT in the Spring of your Junior year to allow for retesting (if necessary). The ULSOM will only accept the most recent score and no more than two years old. Detailed information about the test may be obtained from the applicant's premedical advisor or by contacting the MCAT program office directly.

**Contact MCAT Program Office:** 

Phone: (202) 828-0600

Web address: https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/mcat/

#### **Letters of Recommendation**

- Each applicant is required to submit a pre-med advisory committee report. If your college/university does not have a pre-med committee, we require 3 academic letters of recommendation. These letters must be on college letterhead and specifically, they should be from 2 science professors and 1 non-science professor.
- Candidates may submit two additional letters, ideally, from sources that speak to the candidate's suitability for medicine.
- Non-traditional applicants or those that have been out of school for 2
  or more years may substitute no more than 2 academic letters with
  employer letters from a direct supervisor, a letter from a research PI/
  supervisor or letters from a substantive volunteer environment.
- All letters of recommendation for the University of Louisville School
  of Medicine must be submitted via the AMCAS letter service. This
  service enables medical schools to receive all letters electronically via
  AMCAS, and enables authors to send all letters to be considered by

schools participating in this service to AMCAS rather than each school. There are several mediums in which a letter writer can send your letter to AMCAS. AMCAS will receive letters from users of VirtualEvals, Interfolio, and via the mail. In addition, letter writers who currently mail letters can opt to upload letters directly to AMCAS through the AMCAS Letter Writer Application.

#### **Early Decision Program (Optional)**

The Early Decision Program (EDP) provides the well-qualified applicant an opportunity to secure acceptance by October 1. Candidates accepted through the EDP must attend the accepting institution. By applying as an EDP candidate, the individual agrees not to apply to any other U.S. medical school until any of the following occurs: 1) denial of an EDP commitment 2) release from the EDP commitment; or 3) October 1 notification deadline expiration. The limited number of early decision seats is awarded based on exceptional academic standing and MCAT scores. The EDP application deadline is August 1. ULSOM applicants who apply EDP and are not accepted are placed in the regular applicant pool.



## **Entering Fall 2019 Application Time Line**

**Early June** - All applicants are able to complete and submit the AMCAS application.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling admissions procedure. Due to this
fact students are encouraged to complete the application process as early
as possible.

#### **Early Decision Applicants**

#### August 1, 2018:

- AMCAS application deadline.
- Deadline for transcript(s) to be submitted to AMCAS.

#### Mid August:

- Interviews begin.
- Selected applicants are interviewed by two members of the Admissions Committee.

#### August 31, 2018:

Deadline for submission of the following application credentials to the School of Medicine Office of Admissions.

- Secondary Application (submitted on-line)
- \$75 Application Fee or Fee Waiver (pay by credit card on-line or submit fee waiver approval from AMCAS)
- Photograph (uploaded on-line via Secondary Application)

#### September 15, 2018:

Deadline for Letters of Recommendation to be submitted to AMCAS.

#### October 1, 2018:

Applicants notified of admissions decision.

#### **Regular Applicants**

#### Mid August:

- Interviews begin.
- Selected applicants are interviewed by two members of the Admissions Committee.

#### October 15, 2018:

- AMCAS application deadline for the University of Louisville School of Medicine.
- Applicants begin to receive notifications of admission decisions.
- Applicants are accepted, waitlisted or denied until the class is filled.

#### October 30, 2018:

Deadline for submission of transcript(s) to AMCAS.

#### December 31, 2018:

Deadline for submission of the following application credentials to the School of Medicine Office of Admissions.

- Secondary Application (submitted on-line)
- \$75 Application Fee or Fee Waiver (pay by credit card on-line or submit fee waiver approval from AMCAS)
- Photograph (uploaded on-line via the Secondary Application)

#### March 1, 2019:

 Deadline for submission of Letters of Recommendation to AMCAS to be considered for the Fall 2019 entering class.

#### Withdrawal Policies

#### April 30, 2019 - MD/PhD Applicants:

Deadline to withdraw Fall 2019 acceptance.

#### April 30, 2019 - Regular Applicants:

• Deadline to withdraw Fall 2019 acceptance.

#### **Transcript Policy**

**July 1, 2019 –** Deadline to submit final transcript(s) to the School of Medicine Office of Admissions for Fall 2019 matriculation.

- Final transcript(s) must show a degree posted.
- AMCAS does not forward transcripts to medical schools.
- Mail Transcripts To:

University of Louisville School of Medicine Office of Admissions 323 E. Chestnut St. Louisville, KY 40202

### Criminal Background Check (CBC) Policy

CBC will be administered through AAMC on all applicants at the time of acceptance, and on alternate applicants at the request of the Admissions Office. Applicants must consent, submit to, and satisfactorily complete a criminal background check investigation as a condition of matriculation into ULSOM. For more information go to http://louisville.edu/medicine/admissions/policies/criminal-background-check-policy.

#### **Transfers**

Transfer is defined as changing enrollment from one medical school to another. Applicants currently enrolled in or graduated from health related fields including dentistry, osteopathic medicine or veterinary medicine are not accepted for transfer or advanced standing. Transfers are considered on a case-by-case basis and are most often granted in cases of hardship. The transfer application deadline is April 30. Transfer requests from foreign medical schools or those not accredited by LCME are not considered.

#### **International Applicants**

Applications from International students, including those with "Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals" status (DACA), are accepted. Consistent with the mission of the University of Louisville as a state university, those with significant academic, personal or family ties to Kentucky are given preference. International applicants are considered under the following circumstances:

 The applicant has a pending application for permanent residency status in the United States and A) is either married to a U.S. citizen who has an established residence in Kentucky and intends to remain in Kentucky, or B) has numerous members of his or her immediate family who have established residence in Kentucky indefinitely.  The applicant has been granted DACA status <u>and</u> A) is either married to a U.S. citizen who has an established residence in Kentucky and intends to remain in Kentucky, or B) has numerous members of his or her immediate family who have established residence in Kentucky indefinitely.

All decisions as to whether consideration circumstances exist in a particular application for admission shall be made by the Admissions Dean or the Dean's designee.

International students, including those with a pending application for permanent residency or with DACA status, are not eligible for most federal benefits, including federally-guaranteed student loans. Such loans usually comprise an important part of a medical student's financial aid package. Therefore, if these international students are offered admission, they must submit documentation of sufficient funds to cover the cost of completing a medical degree (see estimates at <a href="http://louisville.edu/medicine/financialaid/cost-of-attendance">http://louisville.edu/medicine/financialaid/cost-of-attendance</a>). Admission offers to international students who are unable to submit adequate documentation of sufficient funds will be withdrawn. All decisions as to whether the documentation of sufficient funds is adequate for a particular international student offered admission shall be made by the Dean or her designee.

#### **Inquiries**

Inquiries concerning admissions to the School of Medicine should be addressed to:

UofL School of Medicine Office of Admissions Abell Administration Center, Rm. 413 323 E. Chestnut St. Louisville, KY 40202-3866 Phone: (502) 852-5193 or 1 (800) 334-8635 Ext. 852-5193 E-mail: medadm@louisville.edu Web address: http://louisville.edu/medschool

### The Medical Education Program

At the University of Louisville School of Medicine, an educational program has been developed that provides each student with the basic knowledge, skills, and attitudes considered essential to all 21st century physicians, yet has sufficient flexibility to allow effective development of a student's individual abilities and interests. The three major components of the program are:

#### **Core Curriculum**

The core curriculum, which extends over the four year course of study, stresses understanding concepts and general principles. It provides vertical and horizontal integration of the sciences so that information in one block of study reinforces ideas and builds upon concepts developed in another.

Year 1 begins with the normal anatomic structures and their embryologic development, and then explores the molecular basis of life and molecular mechanisms of disease, infection, and immunity. Year 2 investigates the normal cellular structure and function, the pathology and pathophysiology of disease, and corrective treatment for each major organ system. The Introduction to Clinical Medicine course runs throughout years 1 and 2 and teaches communication and humanism skills, medical history taking, physical exam skills, foundations of medical ethics, culturally competent

patient-centered care, interprofessional team care, healthcare systems, and evidence-based medicine.

The core curriculum for the last two years follows a track system of clerkship and elective rotations that exposes students to the major clinical fields of medicine. Required 3rd year clerkships include Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Neurology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Psychiatry and Surgery. As part of the Family Medicine clerkship, students complete a four-week rotation at rural or urban AHEC sites to gain experience in caring for underserved areas of the Commonwealth. The 4th year schedule includes a subinternship in Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics or Surgery, selectives in intensive care, palliative care, and ambulatory rotations plus 22 weeks of elective opportunities.

Additionally, select students have the opportunity to complete their entire third and fourth years of clinical training at the Trover Campus in Madisonville, KY.

#### **Preclinical Electives**

The purpose of preclinical electives is to allow each student to extend his/her education in certain areas of scientific knowledge. The electives make it possible to construct a program of medical education that best meets the needs, abilities, and goals of the individual student. Electives can occur in the local or global community and include clinical experiences with underserved populations or global health experiences. Students also are permitted to take classroom courses as electives in divisions of the University of Louisville other than the School of Medicine, class schedule permitting. In addition to the courses offered, students with a research interest are permitted to participate in an approved research activity for elective credit. Elective courses constitute an integral part of the student's total program in medical school. Second year students take a minimum of two credit hours of elective courses.

#### **Clinical Electives**

Third year students are offered a 4-week block enabling them to explore a career in subspecialty areas of medicine that are not required within the core third year clinical clerkships. Fourth year students are offered an additional 22 weeks of electives. Of those 22 weeks, 10-12 of those weeks are spent in electives directly related to the student's choice of residency. Virtually every member of the full-time clinical faculty participates in electives, as do many members of the basic sciences faculty. Students may select an intensive exposure to any of the clinical areas or a research experience in any of the basic science or clinical areas. During this time, a student also may elect to take a classroom course from the eligible second year electives list.

### **Trover Rural Track**

In 1998, the University of Louisville Trover Campus at Baptist Health Madisonville began offering medical students from UofL the opportunity to complete the last two years of medical school in a rural community. The Trover Campus is based in Madisonville, KY, and is designed to accommodate up to 12 Third Year and 12 Fourth Year students for their clinical rotations. Students may apply for dedicated admission to the Trover Rural Track program by indicating their interest on UofL's Secondary Application and completing the Trover Rural Track application.

To view more information about the Trover Campus, go to http://ultc.baptisthealth-madisonville.com/ or contact Dr. William Crump, Associate Dean of Trover Campus and Professor of Family Medicine at UofL at bill.crump@bhsi.com or Mr. Steve Fricker, Director of Rural Health/Student Affairs at steve.fricker@bhsi.com. You may also call (270) 824-3515 or 1-800-217-9149 for more information.

## **Dual Degrees**

Especially capable students enrolled in the School of Medicine may work toward a MA, MBA or Ph.D. degree while pursuing the M.D. degree. Go to http://louisville.edu/medschool/dualdegree to view more information about our Dual Degree offerings.

#### MD/MA:

The humanistic art of medicine grows increasingly important and the School of Medicine supports the development of future leaders and cultural revolutionaries by offering an MD/MA program. By combining the medical school curriculum with an Interdisciplinary Master of Arts concentrating on Bioethics and Medical Humanities this dual degree distinguishes our graduates with an enriched ethical knowledge base and prepares them with real life experience in tackling the toughest issues medicine has to offer. Read more about the degree and admission requirements at http://louisville.edu/bioethicsma/dual-degree-pages/MD-MA

**Questions? Contact:** Program Coordinator at (502) 852-6501 or via email at bioethicsma@louisville.edu

#### MD/MBA:

With the healthcare industry rapidly changing, strengthen your depth of business operations with the dual UofL MD/MBA program. UofL Medical School students are eligible to participate upon completion of their second or third year of medical school, or as a UofL Medical School Alum. Dual degree seeking students must gain admission to both programs independently. As a dual degree student, all business electives are waived in the MBA program although you have the option of enrolling while a student at no cost. Note: MCAT scores are accepted in lieu of GMAT.

Whether your career goals include managing your own practice, developing and marketing biomedical discoveries and medical devices, working to enhance the delivery of outstanding clinical care or improving the health care system, the MD/MBA dual degree will serve you well. More information at http://louisville.edu/medicine/degrees/dualdegree/md-mba.

**Questions? Contact:** School of Medicine – Brad Sutton, MD, MBA, at brad. sutton@louisville.edu and In Kim, MD, MBA at in.kim@louisville.edu. College of Business – Susan Hildebrand, MBA Admissions Director, College of Business, UL at s.hildebrand@louisville.edu or by phone at 502-852-6967.

#### MD/PhD:

The PhD can be earned from any of the basic research departments in the School of Medicine. A wide variety of research experiences are available in top-flight research laboratories. The small size of the program ensures great

flexibility in designing a research program and access to the best laboratories on campus. Read more at https://louisville.edu/medicine/degrees/mdphd

**Questions? Contact:** Dr. Russell Salter at (502) 852-3740 or Victoria King at (502) 852-1626 or via email at mdphd@louisville.edu

#### **Financial Aid**

Approximately 90% of all U of L Medical students will need assistance or utilize the services of the Office of Student Financial Aid. Our office is conveniently located in the Instructional Bldg. Room 230. The Office of Student Financial Aid is staffed by the Director of Financial Aid and a Financial Aid Advisor Senior. The School of Medicine participates in all forms of Federal financial assistance. Below, is a listing of the types of aid available for which students can apply each year.

## Department of Education Programs 2018-2019 Annual Maximum

Direct Unsubsidized Loan.....\$20,500
Direct Additional Unsubsidized Loan
Varies from.....\$22,222 to \$26,667
Direct GRAD/Plus......Cost of attendance less other aid

## Department of Health and Human Services Programs

- -Loans for Disadvantaged Students (LDS)......Varies
- -Primary Care Loan (PCL)......Up to cost of attendance

Students at the School of Medicine can also receive funding from various outside scholarship sources. Listed below are a few examples:

- National Medical Fellowships, Inc.
- Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program
- National Health Services Corps Scholarships
- Indian Health Services Scholarships

The Medical School also has endowed scholarship funds to award to incoming students. These are generally awarded to students who demonstrate the potential for superior academic performance. The Admissions Office will notify the incoming freshman of any scholarship award they may be offered. If the student accepts the scholarship offered by the Admissions Office, the Office of Student Financial Aid will process the award and questions can be directed to that office. A complete listing of endowed scholarships and programs are listed on the Medical School Financial Aid website http://louisville.edu/medicine/financialaid.

The Admissions Office will determine scholarship awards based on information in the student's file. Admitted students are not required to complete a separate scholarship application.

For many students this will be their first time applying for loan sources of aid. It is important for the student to be informed and aware of their borrowing expenses. Attending Financial Aid Workshops that are offered and asking

questions will make the process of applying for aid less confusing. Students must apply for aid each academic year. The priority date to apply for Federal Aid is April 1 of the year you will enter Medical School. The application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is located on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov/

#### University of Louisville School of Medicine 2018-2019 Academic Year Cost of Attendance (COA) (# months)

#### **Direct Curriculum Expenses**

|                           | MED 1 (10) | MED 2 (11) | MED 3 (12) | MED 4 (10) |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Kentucky Resident Tuition | 39,766     | 39,766     | 39,766     | 39,766     |
| Non-Resident Tuition      | 60,472     | 60,472     | 60,472     | 60,472     |
| Books & Supplies          | 1,423      | 689        | 124        | 101        |
| (Computer M1)             |            |            |            |            |
| Technology Fee            | 1,250      | 1,250      | 700        | 700        |
| HSC Health Fee            | 105        | 105        | 105        | 105        |
| Recreation Fee            | 196        | 196        | 196        | 196        |
| Disability Insurance      | 46         | 46         | 46         | 46         |
| NB Exams                  | 0          | 610        | 2,245      | 0          |
| Residency Application     | 0          | 0          | 0          | 2,976      |

#### **Total Curriculum Expenses**

|  | MED 1 (10) | MED 2 (11) | MED 3 (12) | MED 4 (10) |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Kentucky Resident  | 42,786     | 42,662     | 43,182     | 43,890     |
| Non-Resident   | 63,492     | 63,368     | 63,888     | 64,596     |
| Non Direct Expenses<br>(Room & Board,<br>Transportation,<br>Health Insurance,<br>Personal Expenses<br>& Loan Fees) | 21,246     | 23,328     | 25,410     | 21,246     |
| Total Resident COA   | 64,032     | 65,990     | 68,592     | 65,136     |
| Total Non-Resident COA   | 84,738     | 86,696     | 89,298     | 85,842     |

Financing a medical career is a major step and we understand the stresses involved in your academic pursuits. We hope to make the financial aid process a smooth one and meet the needs of each individual student. Please feel free to contact our office if you have any questions:

Leslie Kaelin, Director of Financial Aid Cynthia Morse, Financial Aid Advisor, Sr. University of Louisville School of Medicine Office of Student Financial Aid Instructional Bldg. Room 230 Louisville. KY 40292

Phone: (502)-852-5187 or 800-334-8635, Ext. 852-5187

### **Housing**

The University of Louisville Health Sciences Campus offers two options for on-campus housing. The Med-Dent Apartments range from studio style to one-bedroom apartments. All apartments in this facility are furnished and include full kitchens. The Quad is an Affiliated Property apartment complex located in Downtown Louisville that offers studio, one bedroom, and two bedroom apartment options. Located close to the University of Louisville Hospital and the Health Sciences Campus. More information about these housing options and other Off-Campus Housing are located on the Housing Office website at https://louisville.edu/housing/options/communities/HSC.

#### **Inquiries concerning university housing should be addressed to:**

Campus Housing University of Louisville 2301 South Third Street Louisville, KY 40292 Phone: (502) 852-6636

Web address: www.louisville.edu/housing/



Follow the ULSOM Admissions Office on Facebook
Go to https://www.facebook.com/ULSOMAdmissions or scan the QR code below.









Medical School Admissions University of Louisville Louisville, Kentucky 40292

