



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....



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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 in general medicine and exposure to a wide variety of medical specialties. Five teaching hospitals are available to medical students, all of which offer clinical experience involving a large and diverse patient base. The School of Medicine is ranked among the top 1/3 of all medical schools in the nation and the performance of our students and graduates on national licensure examinations is consistent with this ranking.

Current Trends and Class Profile

Kentucky residents are selected for 120 seats in our School of Medicine class of approximately 155. 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 under represented population status. The general applicant pool has become increasingly more competitive. The following statistics reflect the makeup of our most recent first year class.

2013 University of Louisville School of Medicine Entering Class Statistics

3.64	Overall GPA
3.56	BCPM GPA
9.72	Average MCAT score in each test area
60%	Male
40%	Female
32	Students are University of Louisville graduates
63	Colleges/universities represented
21%	Natives of PEPP (manpower shortage area) counties
33%	Jefferson County residents
10%	Nontraditional students ranging in age from 27 – 39
7%	African American
25%	Out of state students

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

The University of Louisville School of Medicine requires the following courses be completed 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.

Refer to the Office of Admissions web site for specific details about the required prerequisite courses at http://louisville.edu/medschool/admissions/application-process/pre-med-requirements.html.

Application Timetable

The University of Louisville School of Medicine 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 UofL SOM 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 UofL SOM 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) 828-0690 Email: mcat@aamc.org

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 Pl/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 Virtual-Evals, 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. UofL applicants who apply EDP and are not accepted are placed in the regular applicant pool.



Entering Fall 2014 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, 2013:

- 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.

September 1, 2013:

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 mail fee waiver to School of Medicine Office of Admissions)
- Photograph (uploaded on-line via Secondary Application)

September 9, 2013:

Deadline for Letters of Recommendation to be submitted to AMCAS.

October 1, 2013:

Applicants notified of admissions decision.

Regular Applicants

Mid August:

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

October 15, 2013:

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

October 29, 2013:

Deadline for submission of transcript(s) to AMCAS.

December 31, 2013:

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 mail fee waiver to School of Medicine Office of Admissions)
- Photograph (uploaded on-line via the Secondary Application)

March 8, 2014:

 \bullet Deadline for submission of Letters of Recommendation to AMCAS to be considered for the Fall 2014 entering class.

Withdrawal Policies

April 15, 2014 - MD/PhD Applicants:

Deadline to withdraw Fall 2014 acceptance.

May 15, 2014 - Regular Applicants:

Deadline to withdraw Fall 2014 acceptance.

Transcript Policy

July 15, 2014 – Deadline to submit final transcript(s) to the School of Medicine Office of Admissions for Fall 2014 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 www.louisville.edu/medschool/admissions/medical-school-admissions-policies/criminal-background-check-policy.html.

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 are not considered.

International Applicants

Absent very special circumstances, an applicant must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States to be considered for admission to the School of Medicine. Special circumstances may be considered where the applicant has a pending application for permanent residency status in the United States and **A**) is 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 and expect to remain in Kentucky indefinitely. All decisions as to whether special circumstances exist in a particular application for admission shall be made by the Dean or her designee.

Inquiries

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

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

edu/medschool

The Medical Education Program

At the University of Louisville School of Medicine, an educational program has been developed that provides an organized, in-depth presentation of the general information considered essential for all physicians, yet has sufficient flexibility to allow effective development of a student's individual abilities and interests. The three major components of this program are:

Core Curriculum

The purpose of the core curriculum, which extends over the four year course of study, is to provide each student with general education and training that stresses understanding concepts and general principles considered essential to all physicians. It provides opportunities for integration among the sciences so that information in one subject reinforces and builds upon concepts developed in another.

The core curriculum for the last two years follows a track system of clerkships and electives that exposes students to the major clinical fields of medicine. The curriculum includes an emphasis on primary care. Students are required to complete rotations at rural or urban AHEC sites in the third year as part of their Family Medicine Clerkship. The schedule provides considerable flexibility and opportunities for selecting elective courses. Additionally, students may 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 the 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. Students also are permitted to take courses as electives in divisions of the University of Louisville other than the School of Medicine, class schedule permitting. In addition to the courses listed, students with a research interest are permitted to participate in an approved research activity for credit. Elective courses constitute an integral part of the student's total program in medical school. Second year students take two credit hours of elective courses.

Clinical Electives

Third year students have a 4-week block where they can choose to do career exploration or clinical electives. Fourth year students take 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 select courses from second year electives.

Trover Rural Track

In 1998, the Trover Foundation/University of Louisville Off Campus Teaching Center 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 10-12 Third Year and 10-12 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. To view more information about the Trover Campus, go to http://www.baptisthealthmadisonville.com/education/university-of-louisville-school-of-medicine/ or contact Dr. William Crump, Associate Dean of Trover Campus and Professor of Family Medicine at UofL at wcrump@ trover.org or Mr. Steve Fricker, Director of Rural Health/Student Affairs at sfricker@trover.org. You may also call (270) 824-3538 or 1-800-217-9149 for more information.

Dual Degrees

Especially capable students enrolled in the School of Medicine may work toward a MS, MA 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 rapid rate of scientific, technological, legal, and cultural change in today's world makes a broad education in bioethics and medical humanities more desirable than ever. The MD-MA program combines the medical school curriculum with the Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies with a concentration in Bioethics and Medical Humanities, a professional degree intended to provide graduates with enriched ethical knowledge base, preparing them to work in clinical or hospital settings, and to undertake scholarly research or teach in the field of bioethics and medical humanities. Read more at http://louisville.edu/medschool/dualdegree/MD-MA

Contact: Andrea Sinclair at (502) 852-6501 or via email at bioethicsma@louisville.edu

MD/MBA:

Today's rapidly changing health care environment requires physician leaders skilled in both medicine and management. 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 Master of Business Administration degree will serve you well. Read more at http://louisville.edu/medschool/dualdegree/MBA

Contacts: Brad Sutton, MD, MBA, Assistant Professor of Medicine at 502-852-7959 or via email at bssutt02@louisville.edu or Vernon Foster, Executive Director MBA Program at 502-852-6440 or via email at vernon. foster@louisville.edu.

MD/MPH:

The Master of Public Health Degree prepares future physicians to approach health care from both an individual, patient-based perspective and a population-based perspective. This combination of the disciplines of medicine and public health enables practitioners to advance their patients' health and wellness using multiple strategies and provides options for physicians to become leaders in efforts to improve the public's health at the local, regional and national levels. Read more at http://louisville.edu/medschool/dualdegree/MPH

Contact: School of Public Health and Information Sciences at 502-852-3299 or email sphismph@louisville.edu.

MD/MSc:

The MSc degree program provides physicians, dentists, nurses and other health professionals an opportunity to acquire the clinical research skills necessary for a career in an academic health center. The 24 hours of required course work provide students with a broad base of knowledge in epidemiologic research methods, biostatistics, bioethics and the methodologies of health services and outcomes research. Read more at: http://louisville.edu/medschool/dualdegree/md-msc

Contact: School of Public Health and Information Sciences at 502-852-3299 or email sphis@louisville.edu.

MD/PhD:

The PhD can be earned from any of the basic research departments in the School of Medicine. Arrangements can be made in special cases to design a program based in one of the degree-granting programs located at UofL's Belknap Campus. 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 http://louisville.edu/medschool/dualdegree/PhD

Contacts: Dr. Binks Wattenberg at (502) 852-7762 or Victoria King at (502) 562-3829 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. The School of Medicine participates in all Federal and State types of financial assistance. Below, is a listing of the types of aid available for which students can apply each year.

Department Of Education Programs 2013-2014 Annual Maximum

Federal Stafford Loan (Unsubsidized)\$20,500
Additional Federal Direct
Stafford Loan (Unsubsidized) Varies from\$20,000 to \$26,667
Federal Direct Graduate Plus Cost of attendance less other aid

Department of Health and Human Services Programs

- -Loans for Disadvantaged Students (LDS)......Varies

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 a limited number of endowed scholar-ship funds to award to incoming students. These are generally based on students who demonstrate the potential for superior academic performance. The Admissions Office will notify the incoming student of any scholarship 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://medical-studentaffairs.louisville.edu/financial-aid.

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 2013-2014 Academic Year Cost of Attendance (COA) (# months)

Direct Curriculum Expenses

	1st Year (9)	2nd Year (11)	3rd Year (12)	4th Year (10)
Kentucky Resident Tuition	33,718	33,718	33,718	33,718
Non-Resident Tuition	51,250	51,250	51,250	51,250
Books & Supplies	2,332	1,217	1,322	496
Technology Fee	500	500	500	500
National Board Exams	0	560	1,200	860
Residency Application	0	0	0	2,000
Recreation Fee (Student Gov.)	196	196	196	0

Total Curriculum Costs

	1st Year (9)	2nd Year (11)	3rd Year (12)	4th Year (10)
Kentucky Resident	36,746	36,192	36,936	37,574
Non-Resident	54,278	53,724	54,468	55,106
Non Direct Expenses (Room & Board, Transportation & Personal Expenses)	18,218	22,174	24,152	20,196
Total Resident COA	54,964	58,366	61,088	57,770
Total Non-Resident COA	72,496	75,898	78,620	75,302

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

University of Louisville School of Medicine Office of Student Financial Aid Instructional Bldg. Room 230 Louisville, KY 40292

Phone: 502-852-5187 or 1-800-334-8635, Ext. 5187

Office Hours: Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Housing

Listings of non-university housing are available from the **Office of Faculty and Student Advocacy, (502) 852-3267**. The University of Louisville Medical-Dental Dormitory and Apartment Building has both dormitory and apartment style accommodations. Apartments are partially furnished and utilities included. All accommodations are assigned on a priority basis; the earlier the application, the better chance for finding desirable accommodations.

Inquiries concerning university housing should be addressed to:

Housing and Residence Life

University of Louisville 2108 Unity Place West Hall Louisville, KY 40292 Phone: (502) 852-6636

Web address: www.louisville.edu/housing/



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