## One of the Paths to Medical School

There are many paths to medical school—what will be yours?

College Freshman Year

How can I become a doctor?

Visit Aspiring Docs, apply to summer programs, & meet with an advisor.

How can I get some experience?

Participate in enrichment programs; volunteer or intern in the medical field.

College Sophomore

Year

How can I keep on track?

**Attend** pre-health meetings and work with an advisor.

Summer: **SMDEP** 

Spring dates are most common.

When should I take the MCAT exam?

College Junior Year

Look into MSAR®, the MCAT® exam, and the Fee Assistance Program.

What resources do I need?

Summer: Research or Internship Experience

How do I learn about specific schools?

Use MSAR to learn about medical schools.

and compare

How do I actually apply?

Summer: Get More Clinical Research l Experience

**Spring Semester** Junior Year

> Complete your AMCAS®

Ask your advisor about YOUR path to medical school:

- Consider a Gap or Growth Year
- Investigate Post-Bac Programs
- Keep moving forward to applying to medical school

application, request official transcripts, ask for letters of evaluation, & prepare for secondary applications from medical school.

I have Interviews scheduled.

Prep for interviews and get financial aid info from FIRST.

> College **Senior Year**

I got accepted!

Compare award letters; make final decisions.

College Graduation/ Post-Bac/Growth Year

I've chosen a medical school.

Congratulate yourself on a job well done, get your books, and find a place to live.

> To Medical School

What happens if you get waitlisted or denied? It's okay!

- Look into Post-Bac programs
- Consider a gap year to gain more experience
- Talk with your advisor to strengthen your application
- Try again!



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