

AAMC Virtual Medical School Fair Information Sessions

April 19, 2022 | 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Financial Aid, Firsthand: Debt, Repayment and Money Management According to Current Students and Physicians

This information session will highlight stories from current students, residents, and early practitioners about how they navigated paying for medical school. Each panelist will discuss their journey to medical school and then weave in what their financial experiences around applying to medical school and financing medical school are or were like. Attendees will leave this session with an aspirational message about the available financing and repayment opportunities available to medical students.

Moderator:

Julie Gilbert, Sr. Education Debt Management Specialist, AAMC

Panelists:

- Ashley Vincenty-Acosta, M1, Ponce School of Medicine and Health Sciences
- Roxanne Favis, DO, Anesthesiologist and Critical Care Fellow at Brigham and Women's Hospital
- TBD

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

The Importance of Mission Alignment When Selecting Medical Schools An Interactive Discussion with Medical School Admission Officers

Join admissions officers to hear how their school's mission and holistic admissions process helps them select candidates. Learn strategies to better understand a school's mission and choose institutions that align with your strengths and aspirations. This session will include breakout rooms led by admissions officers to discuss how applicants can improve their understanding of a school's mission, learn what applicants need to better understand the mission and goals of a medical school, and apply strategically.

Moderators:

- Leila Amiri, PhD Assistant Dean of Admissions, University of Illinois, Chicago, School of Medicine
- Erik Porfeli, PhD, Professor and Chair of Human Sciences, The Ohio State University School of Medicine

Panelists:

- Leila Harrison, PhD, Senior Associate Dean for Admissions and Student Affairs, Washington University Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine
- Joel Daboub, Director of Admissions and Records, Dell Medical School at The University of Texas
- Charlene Green, PsyD, Director of Outreach, Recruitment and Retention, University of California, Davis, School of Medicine
- Mark Henderson, MD, Professor, Internal Medicine, Vice Chair for Education, and Associate Dean for Admissions, University of California, Davis, School of Medicine
- Juliet Hill, Director, Admissions Director, University of Florida College of Medicine

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Watch What Happens Live: Mock Interviews with Real Admissions Officers

What are medical school interviews like and how can you prepare for virtual or in-person interviews? Hear directly from admissions deans and current medical students how to prepare for interviews, what kinds of questions you may be asked and what questions you shouldn't be asked. Watch as panelists participate in mock interviews to get a better understanding of how medical school interviews inform schools about applicants beyond what is found on their applications and letters of recommendations.

Moderator:

Maria Jose Araya, Learner Engagement Manager, AAMC

Panelists:

- Dr. David Rose, Howard University College of Medicine, Associate Dean of Student Affairs and Admissions and the Chair of our Admissions Committee
- Dr. Celia Williams-Fowlkes, Director of Admissions, Howard University College of Medicine
- TBD

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Previewing PREview™: Introduction to the AAMC Professional Readiness Exam – 30 minutes

During the 2022-2023 application cycle, more medical schools will include the AAMC PREview™ professional readiness exam (formerly known as the AAMC Situational Judgment Test) as part of their admissions processes. Nearly 40,000 applicants will be asked to take the exam this year. The PREview exam assesses core personal skills such as resilience, service orientation, ethics, cultural competency, and teamwork. In this session, you'll be able to ask questions and learn more about participating medical schools' expectations for the exam, the benefits of including a PREview score with your application, and what to expect as you prepare to test.

Moderator:

Dana Pinchoff, Test Administration Specialist, AAMC

Panelists:

- Dana Dunleavy, Ph.D., Senior Director, Behavioral Assessments, AAMC
- Rebecca Fraser, Ph.D. Director, Content Development, AAMC
- Michelle Sparacino, Director, Test Administration, AAMC

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Timing Your Medical School Application

When should I begin to... talk to an advisor? ...study for the MCAT exam? ...get recommendations? ...apply for testing accommodations? ...apply for the fee assistance program? Applying to medical school requires juggling many moving parts at once. During this session, AAMC experts, an admissions officer and a prehealth advisor will guide you through the process so you can create your own personal application timeline. Learn about key dates, things you should consider, and the sequence of application tasks so you'll be best positioned to apply early in the application cycle. Time will be reserved for Q&A.

Moderator:

Rachel Shore, AMCAS Outreach and Engagement Manager, AAMC

Panelists:

- Brianna Gunter, Senior Research Analyst, AAMC
- Iliana Estevez, MCAT Outreach and Engagement Manager, AAMC
- Glen Fogerty, PhD, MBA, Associate Dean of Admissions and Recruitment, University of Arizona College of Medicine – Phoenix
- Celeste Crowe, Prehealth Advisor, Appalachian State University

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

A Day in the Life of a Medical Student

Hear from current medical students about which experiences prepared them for medical school and how they learned about them. In this session, current students will highlight what academic and wellness resources are available to medical students, give an overview of their day-to-day schedules, explain what changes from year to year, and describe helpful time management strategies.

Moderators:

- LeAnn Lam, M3, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine
- Claudia Stephens, M2, University of South Alabama College of Medicine

Panelists:

- Issac Duggan, M1, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine,
- Colin Hammock, M2, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health
- Stephanie Pintas, M3, UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine
- Troy Kincaid, M4, University of Colorado School of Medicine

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Journey to Medical School for High School Students

This session will highlight what high school students can do now to prepare for a career in medicine. Discussion topics will include how to choose a college, how to estimate college costs, how to connect with a pre-health advisor once on campus, how to get clinical and research experiences, how to demonstrate competencies, and more.

Moderator:

NaShieka Knight, Director, Workforce Transformation, AAMC

Panelists:

- Irfan A. Khan, LAT, ATC, M3, FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine
- Misty Huacuja-LaPointe, M.Ed., Director, Pre-Professional Advising, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Demicha Rankin, MD, Associate Dean for Admissions, The Ohio State University College of Medicine

Recorded Sessions

Designing Your Premed Journey with Resources from the AAMC

The AAMC is dedicated to providing resources to aspiring physicians and advisors that will assist in guiding students on their journey to medical school. This video outlines the application process and features some of the AAMC's most popular resources.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aARNYG4pafY&t=19s

Fee Assistance Program

The AAMC Fee Assistance Program assists those who, without financial assistance, would be unable to take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT), apply to medical schools that use the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS), and more. Learn about the new 2022 AAMC Fee Assistance Program and how medical school applicants can save over \$2,000! This 60-minute webinar covered the 2022 Fee Assistance Program benefits, new eligibility requirements, the application process, and include time for Q&A.

https://vimeo.com/683338070