UW ADMISSIONS PROCESS FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL

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UWSOM is Committed to:

- The states of Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho (WWAMI)
- Training physicians of all specialties to practice in the region
  - Recognizing the special importance of training primary care doctors
- Contributing to biomedical research
- Providing educational opportunities for educationally and economically disadvantaged
## Expectations

### All Applicants
- Meet our mission
- Knowledge of being a physician
- Understanding of current issues facing medicine
- Academic ability
- Analytical thinking
- Communication and interpersonal skills

### Out-of-Region Applicants
- Extensive record of service with underserved
- Disadvantaged background
Application Process

- MCAT Exam: Before 9/30
- AMCAS Application: Submit by 10/15
- Secondary Application: Received by 12/1
- Interview: 10/15-3/31
- Decision: 10/15-3/31
AMCAS: The Primary Application

**Deadline: October 15th, 2014**

AMCAS Processing Fee: $160 for one medical school. $36 for each additional school.
Insightful reflections on:
- Domestic Physician Shadowing
- Community Service
- Patient Contact
- Leadership Positions
- Research
- Employment
- Military
- Sports, Hobbies, Interests, or any activities that are meaningful
Personal Comments

Why do you want to be a doctor?
- Motivation for medicine
- A description of prior experiences in health care
- Steps taken to explore a career in medicine
- Eventual goals as a physician
Applicants complete the secondary application online:

- Additional statements
- Course requirement worksheet
- Letters of recommendation
- TRUST Application
- Idaho Residency Certification
- $35 application fee

**Deadline: December 1st, 2014**
Premedical Course Requirements

- 4 semesters or 6 quarters of Social Sciences or Humanities
- 6 semesters or 9 quarters of Chemistry and Biology
  - general chemistry, general biology, biochemistry, molecular genetics, and cell biology/cell physiology
- 2 semesters or 3 quarters of Physics; or 1 semester or 2 quarters of Physics plus 1 semester or 2 quarters of calculus or linear algebra
Letters of Recommendation

- Required: a committee letter or 3 letters of recommendation
  - Well-rounded picture of applicant
- An additional 3 letters will be accepted
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- **Pre-Screening & Academic Screen**: 10/1 - 3/31
- **Interview**: 10/15 - 3/31
- **Acceptance**: 10/15 - 3/31
Preliminary Screening

- Applicants with low GPA AND low MCAT score could be rejected

- International students without United States permanent residency or citizenship will be rejected

- Applicants who have three previous applications will be rejected
### Statistical Outline of Idaho Applicant Pool (157) and Entering Class (30) as of 5/29/14

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Preliminary Screening (cont.)

- WWAMI applicants above the academic cut off will get a secondary

- Non-WWAMI applicants above the academic cut off will get a secondary if they:
  - Demonstrate commitment to working with underserved
  - Come from a disadvantaged background
Application Process

MCAT Exam
- Before 9/30

Pre-Screening & Academic Screen

AMCAS Application
- Submit by 10/15

Secondary Application
- Received by 12/1

Screening for Interview
- 10/1 - 3/31

Acceptance
- 10/15 - 3/31
Screening Applications

- Complete applications are reviewed by two to three screeners for an invitation to interview.

- Idaho applicants with two negative screens will go to the Idaho Executive Committee Member for a final review.

- Decision to extend an interview can take up to 6 weeks.
Application Process

1. **MCAT Exam**
   - Submit by Before 9/30

2. **AMCAS Application**
   - Submit by 10/15

3. **Secondary Application**
   - Received by 12/1

4. **Pre-Screening & Academic Screen**

5. **Screening for Interview**

6. **Interview**
   - 10/1-3/31
Interview

- Panel interviews
  - 3 interviewers to 1 applicant
  - 30 minutes
- Interviewers are partially blinded to MCAT scores and grades
  - EXCOM interviewer has complete file
- Interview impressions and recommendations are forwarded to Executive Committee
- Idaho residents will interview in Boise or in Seattle
Application Process

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- **Screening for Interview**
- **EXCOM Meetings**
- **Interview**
  - 10/1-3/31
- **Decision**
  - 10/15-3/31
# 2014 Applicant Pool and Entering Class as of 5/29/14

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*Includes 1 MD/PhD Student*
# 2014 Idaho Applicant Pool and Entering Class as of 5/29/14

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(XX) YY (ZZ): (XX)=Youngest, YY=Median, (ZZ)=Oldest
For More Information

Visit Our Website
http://www.uwmedicine.org/admissions

- Advice from the Admissions Dean
- Application procedure
- Resources to prepare your application
- Extensive FAQs

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