

SUNY UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

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How to Apply to SUNY Upstate



REGULAR ADMISSION

The majority of students accepted to SUNY Upstate apply through this traditional route.

Step 1: Apply through AMCAS

Most medical schools, including ours, participate in the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS). Applicants complete a standard application, and submit official transcripts and scores from the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) by October 15. AMCAS then transmits the application and scores to the medical schools you designate. For more information, go to www.aamc.org

Step 2: Complete the SUNY Upstate College of Medicine application

Following AMCAS, applicants complete the College of Medicine Secondary Application. All materials, including letters of reference are due by December 1.

SPECIAL ADMISSIONS OPTIONS

Early Decision is a program for outstanding students who are only applying to SUNY Upstate College of Medicine. Requirements are the same as for regular admission, except the application deadline is August 1.

Upstate Accelerated Scholars guaranteed acceptance program offers students an opportunity to secure acceptance to medical

school as early at their senior year of high school. Entrance comes after graduating from a select participating college.

The Early Assurance Program offers early acceptance to college sophomores. Applications are due by July 1. Students must also submit SAT or ACT scores. Interviews are held in August following the the applicant's sophomore year with early acceptance decisions made in September. More at: www.upstate.edu/com/admissions/options

THE INTERVIEW

Approximately 800 applicants are invited to the SUNY Upstate campus each year for a personal interview between September and March. Of those, approximately one in four is accepted into the College of Medicine on a rolling basis. Interview Days consist of a meeting with other applicants, the Dean of Admissions, current students, lunch, a campus tour and interviews. Interviewers look for personal qualifications such as responsiveness, warmth of personality, ability to adjust to social situations, poise, communication skills and motivation.

CAMPUS VISITS

Pre-advisement sessions are held the first Tuesday of every month to go over the admissions process. There are also two University Open Houses in the Fall and Spring of each year.

MEDPREP ACADEMIC ENHANCEMENT MS IN MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY provides a one-year course of study designed to help college graduates strengthen their academic credentials to apply to medical school. Students experience a rigorous didactic curriculum to demonstrate academic preparedness for medical school. Matriculation in the program guarantees an admission interview with our medical school.

SPECIAL PROGRAM OPTIONS

There are a range of programs to help our students find the type of medical experience they most desire.

MD/PHD PROGRAM for students interested in pursuing careers in medical research and academic medicine.

MD/MPH PROGRAM for students interested in pursuing careers in public health and medicine.

RURAL MEDICAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM provides mentoring and allows students to spend a portion of their third year at a rural site where they participate in comprehensive care of patients.

EXTERNAL ELECTIVES can take students anywhere from New York City to Bolivia as they pursue their particular interests, in depth, for 12 weeks.

Essential Requirements for Medical School Applicants

All medical schools want students who are smart, willing to work hard and work well with others. In selecting students for admission, medical schools consider grades, MCAT scores, health professions advisor recommendations, and work or volunteer experience in a medical or health-related setting or a social service activity. In particular, our Admissions Committee considers the following factors when selecting applicants:

- Academic achievement in the sciences
- Volunteer and clinical experience
- Communication skills
- Meaningful experiences dealing with and relating to people
- Personal character, and motivation for selecting a career in medicine.

Students admitted to SUNY Upstate must complete the following courses. (All science courses, except Biochemistry, must include a lab):

- General Biology — 6-8 semester hours
- General Chemistry — 6-8 semester hours
- Organic Chemistry — 3-4 semester hours
- Biochemistry — 3-4 semester hours
- General Physics — 6-8 semester hours
- English — 6 semester hours (English Composition and English Elective)
- Statistics — 3 semester hours



DEAN'S WELCOME

As part of an academic medical university, the Upstate College of Medicine offers a broad array of opportunities for students to learn, grow and develop a deeper understanding of medicine and their role in it. Innovations in learning and treatment hold much promise for the future in which today's students will practice as tomorrow's physicians. I invite you to join us at Upstate as we create the future for medical education.

Lawrence Chin, MD
Dean, College of Medicine

Reasons to Choose SUNY Upstate

AN EXCELLENT EDUCATION

SUNY Upstate Medical University's College of Medicine has been educating students to become doctors for more than 175 years. Our nationally recognized faculty received their medical training at some of the most prestigious medical schools, residency and fellowship programs in the country. Our faculty are accessible and the atmosphere is collegial. All of this translates into an excellent education for you, which is evident in our graduates' success.

BIG UNIVERSITY, INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION

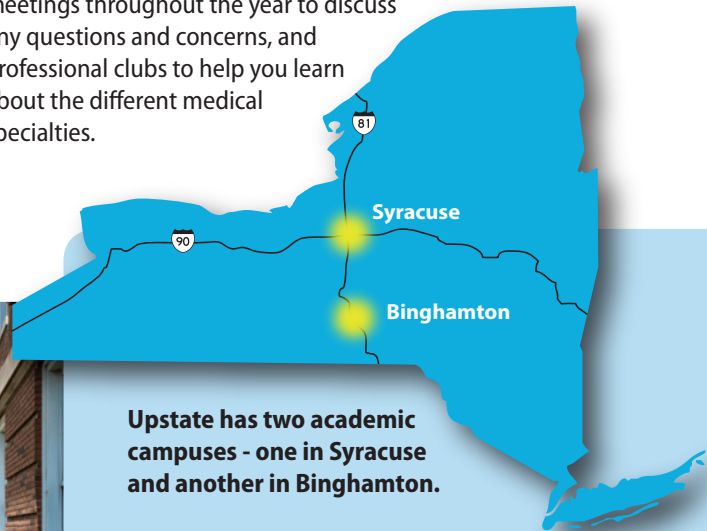
More than 10,000 people — professors, doctors, nurses, scientists, librarians, allied professionals — work at SUNY Upstate, making us the largest employer in the region. We offer dozens of medical services and clinical trials unique to Central New York, drawing patients from throughout the state, northern Pennsylvania and parts of Canada.

Still, the College of Medicine feels close-knit. That's because Upstate works hard to be sure each student receives individual attention. Whether it is academic advising, scheduling or figuring out finances, there is always someone ready to help. Visiting applicants cited the friendliness of students and staff as one of our most appealing features.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Medical school is one of the biggest challenges a student can face, and can impact every aspect of your life. We have numerous support programs in place to ensure that you not only survive medical school, but thrive in it. Students meet regularly with faculty advisors and rely on advisory teams consisting of basic science faculty, clinicians and upper class students. All first- and second-year students have one academic day off before every exam, and exams are scheduled before vacations so you can enjoy your time off. There are faculty-sponsored tutorials for every basic science course and a contact person for each major clerkship.

Our Early Identification Program offers appropriate support for students in need of academic assistance and there is free counseling for all medical students. Also, we offer class meetings throughout the year to discuss any questions and concerns, and professional clubs to help you learn about the different medical specialties.



Upstate has two academic campuses - one in Syracuse and another in Binghamton.

Located in the center of the state, Syracuse is New York's fourth-largest city. Upstate's main campus in Syracuse sits just on the edge of downtown and next to Syracuse University, the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, Crouse Hospital and the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Our Clinical Campus is located 70 miles south of Syracuse in Binghamton, NY.



About SUNY Upstate and the College of Medicine

LOCATION: Syracuse, New York

CHARACTER: Academic Medical Center

FOUNDED: 1834

CAMPUS: 27 buildings on 50 acres; also Clinical Campus in Binghamton, NY

ACADEMIC DIVISIONS:

- College of Medicine
- College of Graduate Studies
- College of Nursing
- College of Health Professions

MEDICAL DIVISIONS:

- Upstate University Hospital, Downtown
- Upstate University Hospital, Community
- Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital

ENROLLMENT: 1,575

DEGREES OFFERED:

- Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- Doctor of Medicine/Master of Public Health (MD/MPH)
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
- Doctor of Medicine/Doctor of Philosophy (MD/PhD)
- Master of Science (MS)
- Master of Public Health (MPH)
- Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
- Bachelor of Science (BS)
- Bachelor of Professional Studies (BPS)

FACULTY: Full-time, 517; Part-time, 239; Volunteer, 1,910

EMPLOYEES: 8,750 (includes faculty, medical residents, staff and administration)

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DEGREES OFFERED:

- Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- MD/PHD
- MD/MPH

STUDENTS: 646

FACULTY: Full-time, 451; Part-time, 197; Volunteer, 1,658

TUITION:

- \$43,020 (New York residents)
- \$65,160 (out-of-state residents)
- (subject to change)

FINANCIAL AID: About 90 percent of students receive financial aid.



Medical School is Four Years, Following College

Our College of Medicine's four-year curriculum integrates basic and clinical sciences from day one. Students also tailor their experience with a large array of electives. The basic sciences are covered in the first two years. The third and fourth years (clinical years) are considered a single unit. Students rotate through clinical clerkships becoming part of health care

teams in hospitals, specialty clinics, and doctor's offices. Through patient encounters, reading and discussion with faculty and staff, students apply their knowledge of

basic and clinical science to maintain patients' health and to evaluate, diagnose and manage clinical problems. Students assist and perform medical procedures with gradually increasing responsibility under the supervision of faculty and house staff.

Students in the MD/PhD program add three years to their study; students earning an MPH add one year.

In the fourth year, students apply for medical residencies where they will complete their training after graduating with their MD degree. While many of our graduates go on to practice in New York state, SUNY Upstate alumni can be found across the nation, as prominent physicians and innovative leaders. A career in medicine is one of enormous satisfaction and lifelong fulfillment.

