ABOUT SUNY UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

The State University of New York Upstate Medical University is one of only 134 academic medical centers in the United States. Such centers lead the nation in conducting research, educating health professionals, and providing the most advanced care to patients. Located in Syracuse — New York's fifth largest city — the Upstate campus sits just on the edge of downtown and is part of a dynamic hub known as University Hill. Comprised of four colleges, a major research enterprise and its own University Hospital, the College of Medicine has been educating excellent students for more than 175 years.

Our nationally recognized faculty received their medical training at some of the most prestigious medical schools and residency and fellowship programs in the country. One-third have been voted Best Doctors in America by their peers. This translates into an excellent education, which is evident in our graduates' success.

Also important to note, as we are part of the State University of New York (SUNY) education system, our tuition costs are lower than those of private medical schools.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Your health professions advisor or
Upstate Medical University
College of Medicine
Office of Student Admissions
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Syracuse, New York 13210
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www.upstate.edu/students

Attention College Sophomores:
If you’re considering an MD degree consider the advantages of an
EARLY ASSURANCE FOR MD ADMISSION

The State University of New York Upstate Medical University does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, sexual orientation, color, age, religion, national origin, disability, marital status, or veteran status, in the recruitment and employment of faculty or staff, in the recruitment of students, or in the operation of any of its programs or activities, as specified by federal and state laws and regulations. For more information, contact the Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action, 711 Jacobsen Hall, 315-464-5234
If your goal is to become a doctor, you can apply to Upstate Medical University in your sophomore year of college. If accepted, you can continue your undergraduate work without the pressures associated with medical school preparation and application. Accepted students begin studies at Upstate’s College of Medicine in the Fall semester following their graduation from college.

ADMISSION OVERVIEW
Applicants to the Early Assurance Program must be excellent students who meet the requirements outlined at right.

Applicants also are required to submit a personal essay on the advantages of participating in this program and to provide an outline of their educational goals and objectives for their remaining two college years.

MAINTAINING ELIGIBILITY
Students enrolled in the Early Assurance Program are expected to carry normal course loads during their junior and senior years of college and to complete additional medical school admissions requirements.

It is understood that early acceptance to SUNY Upstate’s College of Medicine carries with it the student’s commitment to vigorously pursue a field (or fields) of study in depth while in college.

Furthermore, the Early Assurance Program requires relevant volunteer work, a 3.50 overall grade point average, satisfactory academic progress consistent with past performance, and adhering to institutional codes of conduct.

Accepted students will be required to take the MCAT (Medical College Admission Test) by August 31 of their senior year, with a minimum score of 510. Applicants may take the test up to two times.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
1. A minimum 3.50 grade point average.
2. Completion of three of the four required science course sequences:
   - Biology with lab: 6-8 credit hours
   - Physics with lab: 6-8 credit hours
   - General chemistry with lab: 6-8 credit hours
   - Organic chemistry with lab: 3-4 credit hours
   - Biochemistry: 3-4 credit hours
   - English composition: 3 credit hours
   - English elective: 3 credit hours
   - Statistics: 3 credit hours
3. College sophomore status at your undergraduate institution.
4. A Health Professions Committee letter of recommendation from your college.
5. A copy of your SAT (math/critical reading) or ACT score report. Combined SAT scores of 1360 or higher, or an ACT score of 30 or higher are preferred.
6. A personal statement.
7. An official transcript of four semesters of completed college coursework.
8. An official high school transcript.
9. An application fee of $110, payable to SUNY Upstate Medical University.

An application to the Early Assurance Program is available at our website. www.upstate.edu/students

Note: Early Assurance applications are due following your sophomore year in college, no later than July 1.

CALENDAR:
Early Assurance Admissions Process or College Sophomores

September–March of your sophomore year:
Inform your college health professions advisor of your intent to apply.

By July 1: Submit the application. Supporting documents must be forwarded to SUNY Upstate Medical University Office of Student Admissions by this time.

July–August: Applications reviewed.

August–September: Medical school interview and tour for selected applicants.

Late September: Applicants will be notified of their status. Acceptance to this program is binding.