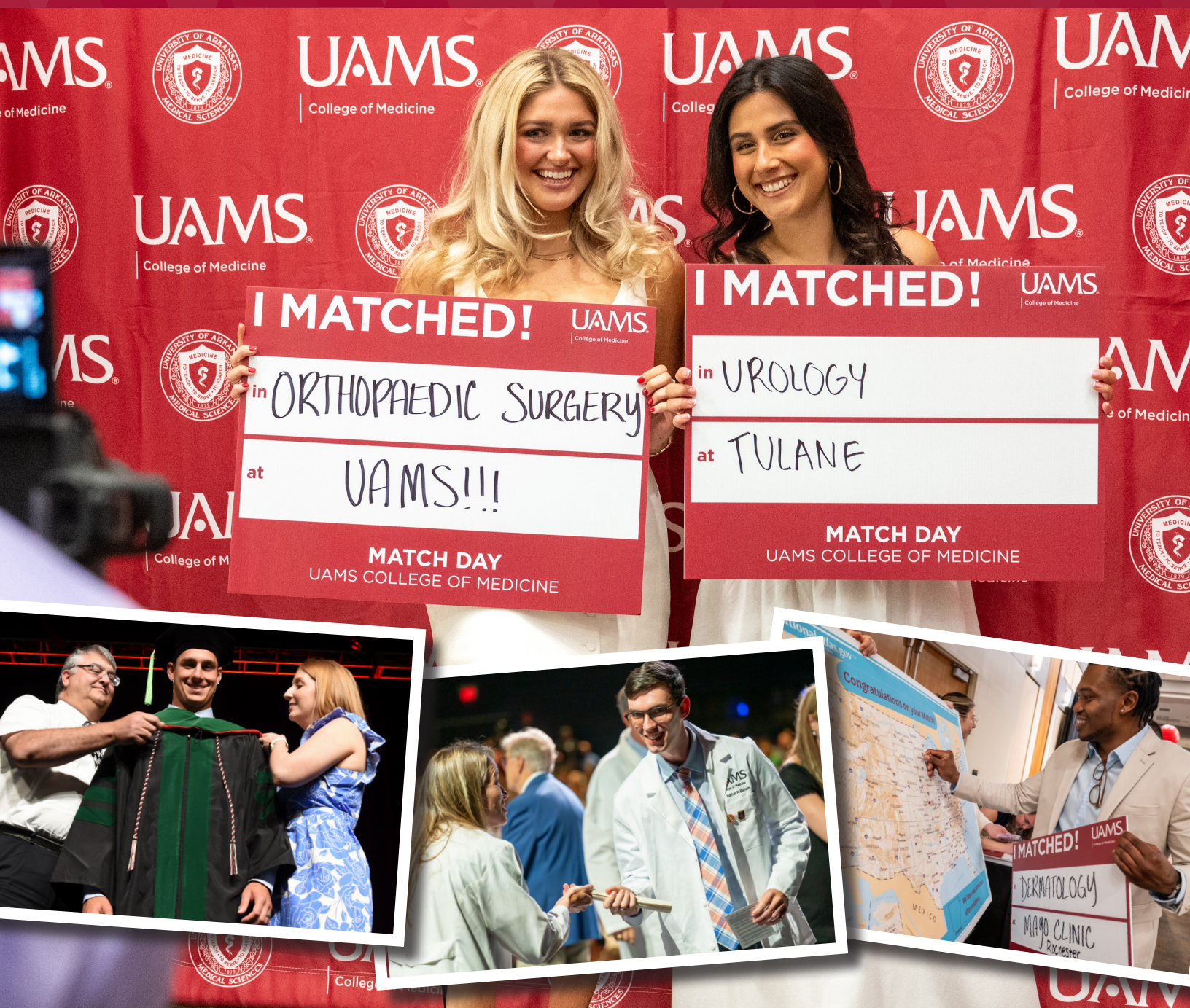


UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES

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2027

Medical School
Application Guide

ADMISSIONS STANDARDS

ARKANSAS RESIDENT APPLICANTS

1. The applicant must have completed the prerequisite coursework defined in this guide (see right) prior to matriculation.
2. The applicant must have achieved a score of 500 or greater on the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) to be invited to complete a secondary application or be invited for a faculty interview.
3. The applicant must demonstrate certain personal attributes beyond cognitive ability that are necessary for the study and practice of medicine as defined in this guide (see below).
4. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required prior to matriculation.

NON-ARKANSAS RESIDENT APPLICANTS

The admissions standards for non-Arkansas residents are identical with the notable exception that non-Arkansas residents must score a **505 or greater** total MCAT score to be invited to complete the secondary application and be invited for a faculty interview.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Certain personal qualities are fundamental to success in the medical profession. These attributes include curiosity, compassion, integrity, stamina, dedication to service, and a sustained ability to learn. Beyond these are the cognitive abilities to meet the academic demands of medical school.

Applicants can demonstrate these qualities in their application, faculty interview, personal statement, letters of recommendation, and the Premedical Advisory Committee letter provided by their college or university.

Students from all academic disciplines are encouraged to apply. Applicants with pre-medical majors have no particular advantage over applicants majoring in other fields. Successful applicants are highly motivated individuals with a solid foundation in the natural sciences.

PREMATRICULATION COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Accepted applicants must have successfully completed the following courses prior to matriculation in the UAMS College of Medicine. AP credit and concurrent credit are accepted if it is reported on the applicant's transcript. Survey courses and CLEP credit are not accepted. We do not waive or exempt courses.

- Three semesters of Biology to include one full semester of General Genetics
- Three semesters of Chemistry to include Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry*
- Two semesters of Physics
- Two semesters of English
- One semester of Statistics
- Two semesters of Social Sciences**

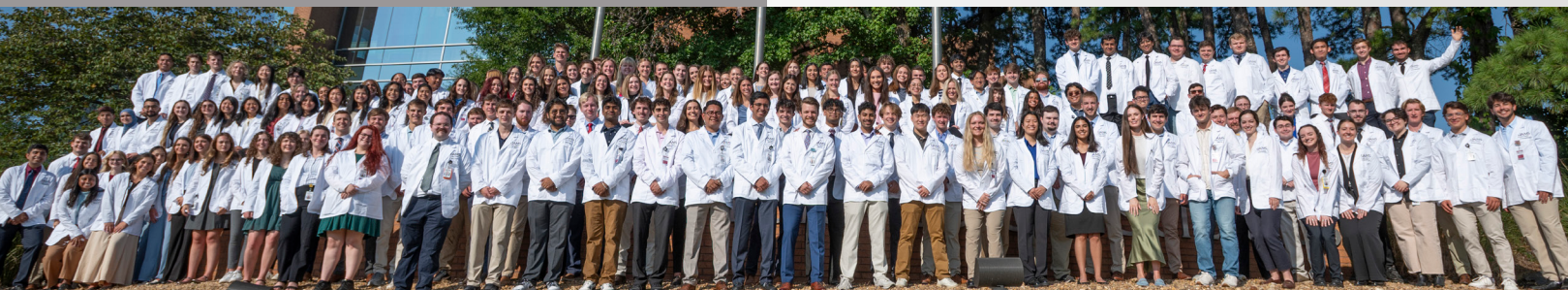
* UAMS College of Medicine does not require labs for Organic Chemistry or Biochemistry. (Your institution or major may require labs).

** Psychology and Sociology are strongly recommended, or Anthropology, Ethics, Logic, Philosophy, Religion or Theology courses.

SUGGESTED COURSES

The UAMS Academic Standards Committee suggests students may benefit from completing coursework in some of the following subjects prior to medical school. The subjects listed below are recommendations, not requirements.

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| ■ Physiology | ■ Immunology |
| ■ Microbiology | ■ Developmental Biology |
| ■ Cell Biology | ■ Molecular Biology |
| ■ Neuroscience | |
| ■ Histology | |



APPLICATION PROCEDURES

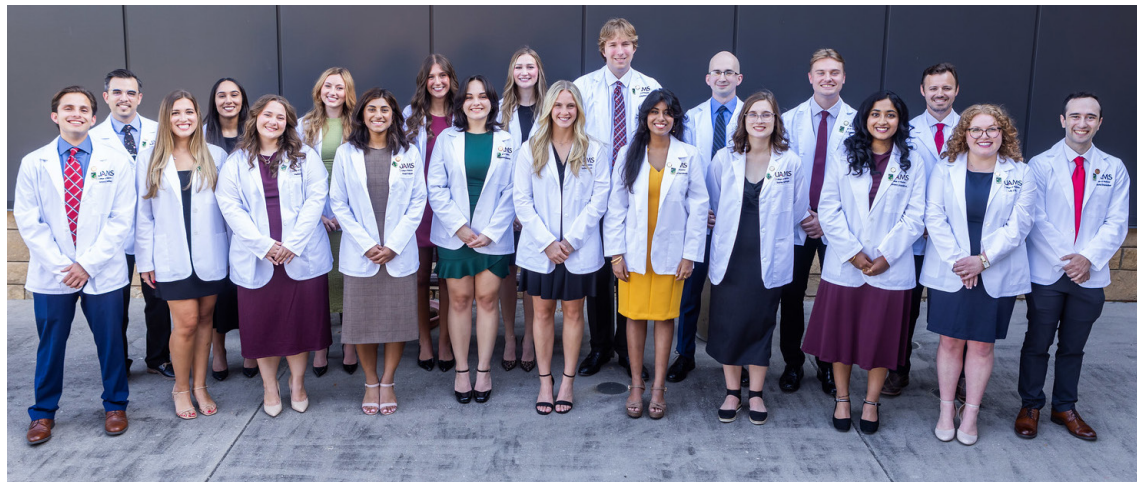
The UAMS College of Medicine (COM) participates in the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS) sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). The deadline for submitting the AMCAS application is Nov. 1 for the class entering the following fall. Official transcripts should be sent directly to AMCAS from the registrar at each college attended. The COM uses the AMCAS Letters Service for letter submissions. A composite evaluation letter from your school's Premedical Advisory Committee (PMAC) is mandatory. Your application will not be reviewed if you miss your school's PMAC deadline and we are advised a letter is not forthcoming. Note: If your school does not have a PMAC or if it has been more than two years since you last graduated/attended your school, you must have three faculty members familiar with your academic performance submit individual letters of recommendation to AMCAS Letters. In addition to the mandatory academic letter(s), you may have up to three individuals submit "personal" letters of recommendation that address your qualifications outside the classroom. All letters must be submitted by Nov. 15. The COM does not require the AAMC Preview or Casper test.

A non-refundable fee of \$100 is required from each applicant who is invited and submits the UAMS secondary application. Applicants pre-approved by AMCAS for its Fee Assistance Program (FAP) pay a reduced fee of \$50. Applicants must take the MCAT exam. MCAT scores obtained prior to 2024 are not acceptable for applicants to the 2027 freshmen class. Applicants must register for the MCAT at www.aamc.org/students/applying/mcat.

The COM, in conjunction with AMCAS, will conduct a criminal background check on all applicants accepted for admission. An applicant must be a United States citizen or a Permanent Resident of the United States with the I-551 card (sometimes referred to as the "green card") in their possession at the time of application.

ONE MEDICAL SCHOOL — TWO CAMPUSES

The UAMS College of Medicine has educated and trained more than 11,000 physicians for Arkansas and beyond since 1879. Today, we are based on two campuses — Little Rock in Central Arkansas and Fayetteville in Northwest Arkansas. Each campus has unique features, but as one medical school, both offer the highest quality education. Students benefit from close mentorship throughout their training and successfully match into the full range of medical specialties.



Four-Year M.D. Track: The traditional M.D. track is offered at both the Little Rock and Fayetteville campuses. This track can lead to applying for M.D. residency programs in any medical specialty.

Three-Year M.D. Track: For incoming students who know they wish to enter primary care fields (internal medicine, pediatrics, family medicine, med-peds) this innovative three-year M.D. training track saves 25% of the cost of training and allows graduates to enter practice more rapidly. The program requires a secondary application once admitted to the College. For more information visit: medicine.uams.edu/admissions/three-year-md.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS AND BORDER STATE TUITION POLICY

Although state law mandates the UAMS College of Medicine must give preference to Arkansas residents, we remain committed to welcoming non-Arkansas residents to apply, especially if an applicant is from a state bordering Arkansas or has "strong ties" to Arkansas, i.e., if the applicant has ever lived in Arkansas, attended school in Arkansas, has close relatives currently residing in Arkansas, etc. Non-Arkansas residents with strong ties must communicate this information to the Admissions Office by Nov. 15. Non-Arkansas residents whose legal state of residence on the AMCAS application is one of the six border states (Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee or Texas) if accepted for admission will pay in-state tuition. The policy does not change the applicant's legal state of residence for admissions purposes.

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FACULTY INTERVIEWS

Applicants are interviewed by invitation only.

Interview Day options are communicated via email. The UAMS COM offers in-person interviews in Little Rock and Fayetteville.

In-person interviews are preferred, but the COM offers a virtual option for out-of-state applicants who cannot travel.

2026 FRESHMEN SNAPSHOT

- Typical freshman class size: **175**
- Number of Arkansas applicants: **277**
- Number of Arkansas applicant interviews: **221**
- Number of Arkansans in class: **144**
- Out-of-state students in class: **31**
- Average GPA of those accepted: **3.86**
- Average MCAT of those accepted: **510**
- Average age of those accepted: **22.6**
- Age range of those accepted: **20-38**

DEADLINES FOR 2027 APPLICANTS

May 28, 2026

Applicants may begin submitting AMCAS applications to the AAMC. AMCAS sends verified applications to the UAMS College of Medicine (COM).

Beginning August 2026

Selected qualified applicants are invited to complete the COM's secondary application and schedule a faculty interview. Application processing and invitations begin in August and continue throughout the admissions cycle.

Beginning September 2026

Faculty interview opportunities begin (by invitation only) and continue through January 2027.

October 2026

The COM Admissions Committee begins meeting to evaluate applicants who have completed the secondary application and interview. Selected applicants may receive offers of early admission throughout the fall.

November 1, 2026

Final deadline for applicants to submit AMCAS applications to the AAMC.

November 15, 2026

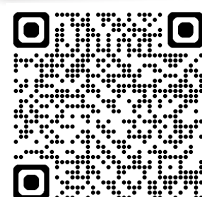
Deadline for all applicants to submit the secondary application.

January 15, 2027

Deadline for all applicants to submit all documentation.

February 26, 2027

On or before this date, all applicants are notified of their admissions status: Accepted, Alternate List, or Not Accepted.



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