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Admissions Standards

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Medicine

"A thriving medical school is critical for Arkansas's continuing development and success in medical education, biomedical research, and healthcare. The College of Medicine is dedicated to being a leader and advancing the limits in each of these areas. To accomplish these goals, the primary duty of the College of Medicine is to train individuals to become superbly competent physicians, as judged by their knowledge, skills and attitudes. Certain characteristics are desirable in all individuals entering the profession of medicine. A student must have the intellectual capacity to absorb, integrate, and use a voluminous body of knowledge at a rate rarely required in his or her previous experience. Compassion, integrity, stamina, good judgment under pressure, and dedication to the service of mankind should be fundamental personal attributes: curiosity and a sustained ability to learn are uniformly desirable. Finally, the student body should be drawn from all groups of society, rather than favoring one over the other." **UA Board Policy 1215.2**

The final authority for selecting the entering freshman class rests with the College of Medicine Admissions Committee *(per LCME accreditation guidelines)***.** All information, both objective and subjective, is reviewed by the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) College of Medicine Admissions Committee in determining the relative strength of an applicant's qualifications. The number of places in the first-year class is limited and the committee is responsible for selecting, on a competitive basis from the total applicant group, those individuals best qualified. This document provides an overview of the College of Medicine Admissions Standards as well as the application process and policies the Admissions Committee must adhere to when selecting the next generation of Arkansas physicians.

Admissions Standards

for the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Medicine

Arkansas resident applicants:

1. The applicant must have completed the prerequisite coursework as defined by the Academic Standards committee of the College of Medicine and published it in the annual Applicant Guide prior to matriculation.
2. The applicant must have achieved a score of 500 or greater on the Medical College Admission Test. An applicant whose MCAT score is 499 or below will not be invited to complete a secondary application or be invited for a faculty interview. Therefore, the applicant's application will not be considered by the Admissions Committee.

3. The applicant must demonstrate certain personal attributes beyond cognitive ability that are necessary for the study and practice of medicine. These include curiosity, compassion, integrity, stamina, dedication to service for others, and a sustained ability to learn. These attributes must be found acceptable by the College of Medicine admissions committee based on the application, the Premedical Advisory Committee letter from their college, their personal statement, the interview, and on letters of recommendation.
4. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university is required prior to matriculation. *The baccalaureate degree requirement will be modified for those accepted by the Admissions Committee for the Six-Year MD program track.*

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 UAMS secondary application and to be invited for a faculty interview.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE IMPACT on ADMISSIONS POLICIES

- **Arkansas Code 6-64-405** provides an overview of the responsibilities of the College of Medicine Admissions Committee. The Admissions Committee *"shall be composed of fifteen (15) members to be appointed by the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas . . . Six of the members shall be members of the faculty of the University of Arkansas College of Medicine. Eight of the members shall be appointed from each of the four congressional districts. One member shall be appointed from the state at large. The Board shall promulgate reasonable rules and regulations necessary to the fair and competitive selection of freshmen medical students with due consideration being given scholastic standings, recommendations of the premedical advisory committees of the various schools where the applicants pursue their premedical studies, their performance on the Medical College Admissions Test, and any other procedures that can be developed that would deal fairly with the applicant group as a whole."*
- **Act 515 of 2013** modified the makeup of the Admissions Committee from the four congressional districts and allows for the majority of the Committee to be faculty. *"Eight of the members, at least four of whom shall have faculty appointments in the University of Arkansas College of Medicine, shall be appointed from each of the four congressional districts and shall be apportioned on the basis of two members from each congressional district".* This change in legislation was necessary to comply with LCME accreditation standards.
- **Quorum:** The minimum number of Admissions Committee members necessary to constitute a quorum is eight (8) of the total fifteen (15) members. Faculty members must constitute the majority of voting members at all meetings.
- **Non-Discrimination:** Act 681 of 1981 states "*the selection of freshman medical students shall be accomplished competitively without any favoritism or discrimination on the basis of sex or race."* In keeping with the recent SCOTUS ruling, race and ethnicity are shielded from the Admissions Committee during the review and evaluation process. Photographs are no longer included in the applicant's application file.

- **Rural Applicants:** Act 828 of 2003 allows additional consideration to be given to rural applicants from medically underserved areas to address health disparities.

- **Class Size: Act 257 of 2012**, Section 35, states "*the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences shall admit 150 freshman students in each fiscal year into the College of Medicine."* The College of Medicine increased the freshman class size from 150 to 160 in 2006, to 174 in 2009, to 188 in 2022, and 175 in 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.

- **Act 1403 of 2013**, the UAMS appropriations bill, struck any reference to the size of the class and the need to submit an annual report to the Arkansas Legislative Council listing the names of matriculants and their Congressional District or Arkansas resident status.

Changes in the Congressional District Allocation of Enrollment Positions:

- The congressional district allocation of enrollment positions in the freshman class was changed with the passage of **Act 806 of 2025**. Under the old and long-standing law, **Act 836 of 2007**, 70% of the "first 150" freshmen enrollment positions (a minimum of 27) must be equally distributed among the four congressional districts. The remaining 30% could be from any congressional district or up to 15% of the first 150 positions could be non-Arkansas residents. Any additional positions above 150 could be granted to the *best qualified* applicants as determined by the Admissions Committee regardless of congressional district or legal state of residence. However, **Act 806 of 2025** modified the long-standing "70% Rule."

- **Act 806 of 2025**:
  Arkansas Code 6-64-406 (b), concerning the allocation of enrollment positions at the University of Arkansas College of Medicine for the freshman medical class among congressional districts is amended to read as follows:

- **(b)(1)(A)** The Board shall allocate twenty-five (25) positions to each congressional district.
- **(b)(1)(B)** If there are not twenty-five (25) applicants from a congressional district who meet published admissions standards and accept an offer of acceptance, the remaining positions for that congressional district first shall be filled by qualified applicants who are Arkansas residents; and then by applicants that are most likely to complete the program and reside in Arkansas.
- **(b)(2)(A)** An additional twenty-five (25) positions shall be allocated to applicants who are Arkansas residents
- **(b)(2)(B)** If there are not twenty-five (25) applicants who are Arkansas residents who meet published admissions standards and accept an offer of acceptance, then the remaining positions first shall be filled by qualified applicants who have ties to Arkansas, and then by applicants who are most likely to complete the program and reside in Arkansas.
- **(b)(3)** Positions in excess of the positions provided under subdivisions (b)(1) and (2) of this section may be filled by applicants at large.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Conflict of Interest Attestation:

State law mandates the minimum number of Admissions Committee members necessary to constitute a quorum is eight (8) of the total fifteen (15) members. Faculty members must constitute a majority of voting members at all meetings. In keeping with LCME accreditation standards, each committee member must sign a "Conflict of Interest" form *stating "I _____ hereby certify that I have no known conflicts of interest in serving on the UAMS College of Medicine Admissions Committee. In addition, I further certify that if I become aware of a personal conflict of interest concerning an applicant during the admissions process, I will recuse myself from discussions concerning the applicant and will not vote on the applicant's admissions status."* To underscore the underlying principle that the final authority for selecting the entering freshman class rests with the College of Medicine Admissions Committee, every effort is made to ensure that no admissions decisions are influenced by political or financial factors.

The Admissions Committee meets multiple times during the admissions cycle and operates under a rolling admissions basis. Meetings are conducted beginning in October and ending in February. A limited number of highly qualified applicants are reviewed at the October, November and December meetings for a possible "early acceptance." However, most applicants are reviewed at the January/February meetings. Applicants who are not offered early acceptance will be reviewed again in February.

The primary work of the Admissions Committee is conducted at its January/February meetings. Each of the fifteen committee members reviews each of the 360-400 applications. After considering all facets of the application discussed in this document, each committee member rates each applicant on a scale of 1.0 to 7.0, with 1.0 being low and 7.0 being high. All 15 committee member ratings are totaled and then divided by 15 to arrive at a composite ranking of all applicant scores. Following the conclusion of the January/February meetings, the Admissions Committee meets to finalize the Acceptance List, the Alternate List, and those not accepted for admission. At this meeting, the Assistant Dean of Admissions provides reports to the Admissions Committee to ensure the final decisions reached by the Admissions Committee comply with Arkansas legislative mandates, i.e., congressional district. Applicants accepted for admission are notified by phone and email of their status. Applicants placed on the Alternate List or not accepted for admission are notified primarily by email.

Offers of acceptance to applicants are conditional, contingent upon completing a Criminal Background Check (CBC) without adverse findings. If necessary, the Admissions Committee may subsequently meet to review applicants who failed to meet the pre-matriculation requirements or review findings on a CBC report that were not included in the applicant's AMCAS application. Based on a case-by-case review by the Committee, the offer of acceptance may be rescinded, or the Arkansas resident applicant may be required to defer for one year to complete all pre-matriculation requirements.

FACULTY INTERVIEWS

Applicants will be interviewed by invitation only. Arkansas residents must have a total MCAT score of 500 or greater to be invited to submit the UAMS College of Medicine secondary application and be invited for an interview. Non-Arkansas residents must have a total MCAT score of 505 or greater to be to be invited to submit the UAMS secondary application and be invited for an interview. Those invited for an interview will be provided with a link to go online

and schedule an interview on one of the interview days offered by the College of Medicine. We offer in-person interviews on both Saturdays and specified weekdays. In addition, we offer a virtual option in January for those out-of-state applicants who cannot travel to our in-person interview opportunities.

The College of Medicine conducts "blind" interviews. We do not provide our interviewers with the applicants MCAT, GPA or admissions file. We do this on purpose. We want our interviewers to focus on the non-cognitive factors rather than perhaps be biased by the applicant's MCAT or GPA. Applicants will have two thirty-minute back-to-back interviews facilitated by different faculty members.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE APPLICANT

The College of Medicine participates in the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS) which is a centralized application service sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). Only applications submitted through AMCAS and received by November 1 each year will be considered. Each applicant must take the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) no later than September preceding the anticipated year of enrollment. MCAT test scores taken more than three years prior to the year of application will not be accepted. Applicants are invited for interviews by invitation only. Beginning with the 2026 admissions cycle, *"a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university is required prior to matriculation."* Applicants with pre-medical majors have no advantage over applicants majoring in other fields. Successful applicants, however, will be highly motivated individuals with a solid foundation in the natural sciences.

Pre-matriculation Course Requirements:
Accepted applicants must successfully complete the following **pre-matriculation courses** prior to matriculation in the College of Medicine. Labs are not required.

- Three semesters of Biology (to include one 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

The UAMS College of Medicine Academic Standards Committee suggests students may benefit from completing coursework in some of the following subjects prior to medical school. These courses are recommendations, not requirements: physiology, microbiology, cell biology, neuroscience, histology, immunology, developmental biology or molecular biology.

AMCAS (American Medical College Application Service) Application: Applicants apply to the UAMS College of Medicine by submitting the web based AMCAS application to the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). AMCAS provides the Admissions Committee with a comprehensive report which includes the applicant's MCAT scores, cumulative and science GPA for undergraduate, graduate and/or post baccalaureate courses, volunteer or work-related experiences, honors and awards, extra-curricular activities, socio-economic index, rural or medically underserved area background, letters of recommendation and the applicant's **personal comments** that gives the applicant the opportunity to describe his/her *motivation* to become a physician.

Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT): The MCAT, a nationally standardized exam, has been a tool used by admissions committees since 1928 to help assess an applicant's preparation for medical school and predict an applicant's success in handling the rigors of the medical school curriculum. The MCAT changed in April 2015, the last major change prior to that date occurred in 1991. The next substantial change is not projected to occur until 2030. The College of Medicine admissions policy states an MCAT is valid for up to three years.

According to the AAMC, the MCAT is designed to "keep pace with changes in the study of medicine". The MCAT 1) tests concepts recently rated by medical school faculty, residents and students as key to entering students' success, 2) shifts the focus from testing what the

applicants know to how well they use what they know, 3) recognizes the heavy information-processing requirements of medical school and asks applicants to understand and critically analyze text, 4) reports more reliable scores and provides a broader view of an applicants' academic preparation, 5) asks applicants to think like scientists by reasoning about research designs and results and drawing conclusions from them, and 6) underscores the role that behavioral and sociocultural factors play in health and illness. Scaled scores on the MCAT multiple choice sections—Biological and Biochemical Foundations of Living Systems, Chemical and Physical Foundations of Biological Systems, Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills, and a new section has been added, Psychological, Social, and Biological Foundations of Behavior—each section reported on a scale ranging from a low of 118 to a high of 132 with a mid-range of 125. The combined total score ranges from a low of 472 to a high of 528 with a mid-range Total Score of 500. The emphasis is on the center of the scale, i.e., 500 Total Score. The average MCAT score for applicants who matriculated to the 2026 entering freshman class was 510.

Minimum MCAT Score threshold established:
Arkansas residents must have an MCAT score of 500 or greater to be invited to submit the secondary application and be invited for a faculty interview. Non-Arkansas residents must have an MCAT score of 505 or greater to be invited to submit a secondary application and be invited for a faculty interview. Arkansas residents with an MCAT score of 499 or less, and non-Arkansas residents with an MCAT score of 504 or less, will not be considered by the Admissions Committee.

Grade Point Averages (GPA): AMCAS calculates the following GPAs

1. Undergraduate cumulative and science GPA, and if applicable
2. Graduate School GPA, and if applicable
3. Post-baccalaureate courses GPA
4. Breakdown of GPA for BCPM: **B**iology, **C**hemistry, **P**hysics and **M**ath

Applicant's Personal Comments: The applicant's personal comments describing his/her motivation to become a physician is a critical component of the applicant's admissions application. This is an opportunity for the applicant to clearly convey his/her *passion* for medicine and *compassion* for people.

Biographical / Academic Profile: AMCAS provides a comprehensive overview of the applicant's biographical and academic profile by providing the applicant's credentials listing a breakdown of the applicant's GPA, MCAT scores, extra-curricular activities, honors and

awards, work or research experience, results of the applicant's college premedical advisory committee composite evaluation letter and College of Medicine faculty interviews.

Race and Ethnicity:
In keeping with the recent SCOTUS ruling, race and ethnicity are shielded from the Admissions Committee during the review and evaluation process. Photographs are no longer included in the applicant's application file

Socio-Economic Status (SES) Index:. AMCAS provides a tool by which medical schools may use to identify applicants who come from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds. The AMCAS designation of "EO1" (education / occupation) typically indicates the applicant is a "first-generation" college graduate.

Premedical Advisory Committee Composite Letter Policy: If it has been two years or less since an applicant last attended or graduated from a college, he/she must request a letter from the school's Premedical Advisory Committee (mandatory). However, if it has been more than two years, or if the college does not have a Premedical Advisory Committee, the applicant must request three faculty members to submit letters of recommendation. In addition (optional), the applicant may include three "personal" letters of recommendation in his/her file, letters that attest to the student's performance outside the classroom, i.e., integrity, empathy, work ethic, leadership abilities, team player, distance traveled, etc. from individuals who know the applicant well.

College of Medicine ONLINE Secondary Application
The applicant's file will also include the UAMS College of Medicine online secondary application completed and submitted by each applicant. This Workday application includes a specific request for information and serves as a checklist to ensure the applicant has completed all pre-matriculation requirements. The College of Medicine Curriculum Committee, which oversees the Academic Standards Committee, has determined there is a core group of courses each applicant must take (or are in the process of taking) prior to matriculation. The applicant must list these courses on the online secondary application.

Graduate or Professional Degree Program
If an applicant is enrolled in a Graduate and/or Professional Degree Program at the time he/she submits the AMCAS application, the applicant must have a letter in file from his/her Program Director/Major Advisor giving the Admissions Committee permission to review his/her application. The applicant must complete the Graduate and/or Professional Degree program before the applicant can matriculate or the Committee may rescind an offer of acceptance or require the applicant (Arkansas residents only) to defer and complete the degree requirements before matriculation to medical school.

Criminal Background Check and Supplemental Application Certifications
All conditionally accepted applicants and alternate-listed applicants must consent to, submit to, and successfully complete a criminal background check (CBC) through the AMCAS-facilitated CBC vendor as a condition of matriculation to the College of Medicine. Failure to do so will constitute a failure to meet the pre-matriculation requirements and will result in the withdrawal of a conditionally accepted offer. In addition, applicants must certify on the Supplemental Application 1) if they are currently under indictment for or have ever been convicted of or pled guilty to a felony or misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation, 2) if they have been the recipient of any action by a college, university or professional school for unacceptable academic performance or a violation of an institutional code of conduct, 3) or if any certifying agency/licensing agency, authority or board has initiated sanctions or

disciplinary action including, but not limited to probation, suspension, withdrawal, or denial, because of conduct, professional performance or substance abuse, and 4) if they have ever filed for bankruptcy or defaulted on a student loan.

Community and Volunteer Service and Involvement / Healthcare Experience:
The AMCAS application provides the applicant with the opportunity to communicate his/her involvement in community service or volunteerism, work experience, honors, and awards. The Admissions Committee places a great deal of emphasis on ethics, empathy, professionalism, and service as visible evidence of character traits essential to becoming a caring and compassionate physician. Work or volunteer experience in a healthcare setting and/or exposure to patient care are viewed essential to one's exploration and motivation to pursue a career in medicine. Successful applicants must not only have a *passion* for medicine but *compassion* for people.

Alternate List:
After the Admissions Committee determines which applicants will be accepted, the Committee places the next highest-ranked applicants on the "Alternate List." Should applicants accepted for admission choose to decline or defer their position in the freshman class, Alternates ranked on the Alternate List are offered positions in the entering freshman class. Act 1058 of 2007 impacts the admissions process by allowing alternates who sign an Arkansas Rural Medical Practice Student Loan/Scholarship Program contract to advance to the top of the Alternate List. Each alternate must be interviewed and approved by the Arkansas Rural Medical Practice Student Loan and Scholarship Board (Board) before they can be advanced on the Alternate List. Alternates approved by the Board, advanced on the Alternate List, and admitted to the UAMS College of Medicine do not have the option to defer admission. Alternates who gain admission to medical school through their rural practice contractual agreement must practice primary care medicine for a minimum of four years in a qualifying medically underserved rural community in Arkansas. For each calendar year of full-time practice in a qualifying rural community, one year of the loan obligation is forgiven until the entire loan is converted to a scholarship. This program is offered pending the availability of funds.

Arkansas Residents and Non-Arkansas residents

Arkansas Resident Status / Non-Arkansas Residents
Arkansas law mandates that preference be given to Arkansas residents. Applicants who identify their legal state of residence as Arkansas on the AMCAS application will be required to complete and submit the *Arkansas Resident Status Initial Classification form* as a part of the secondary application. The Office of Admissions will use the information submitted by the applicant on this form to verify Arkansas residency and congressional district. Applicants who designate a state other than Arkansas on their AMCAS application as of December 1 of the admissions cycle will be classified as non-Arkansas residents for the entire admissions cycle. Non-Arkansas residents who have "strong ties" to Arkansas are instructed to submit a letter advocating their ties to the state by no later than November 15. Typically, "strong ties" means the applicant has lived in Arkansas, attends school in the state, has close relatives presently living in Arkansas, or other information clearly demonstrating the applicant has ties to the state. The Admissions Committee may consider non-Arkansas residents with or without strong ties to Arkansas. Because an overwhelming number of non-Arkansas residents submit AMCAS applications each year, over 3,300 for 2026, the admissions office must focus on those non-Arkansas residents with strong ties to the state and/or those non-Arkansas residents whose legal state of residence is one of the six border states—Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee, or Texas).

Non-Arkansas Resident Border State Tuition Waiver:

The University of Arkansas Board of Trustees adopted the following resolution at its May 24-25, 2023, Board of Trustees meeting: *"Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas asserts its singular focus on student success as evidenced by student retention and graduation, therefore, be it resolved . . . You may proceed to implement this action."*

*"The **College of Medicine** is not requesting an increase in base tuition for FY 23-24 . . . Given the concerns about increasing student debt, our goal is to return to the 25th percentile among US public schools or at least to the regional mean/medium. Starting FY 23-24, tuition will be charged at the in-state resident rate for the College of Medicine for the following border states: LA, MO, MS, OK, TN, TX. This will increase our ability to attract high caliber students from bordering states which will enrich the program, elevate our rankings, and increase the likelihood that we are attracting students who will stay in the area."* Page 8

Applicants who falsify information submitted in their application about establishing Arkansas residency and/or congressional district, or applications with conflicting information, will be brought to the attention of the Admissions Committee.

Permanent Residency Status:

An applicant must be a United States citizen or a Permanent Resident of the US. A Permanent Resident must document his/her residency status (i.e., I-551 card), sometimes referred to as the "green card". The application will not be forwarded to the Admissions Committee for review until the required documentation is received.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST and NON DISCLOSURE POLICY

In keeping with the LCME accreditation Conflict of Interest and Non-disclosure in Admissions requirement, the Admissions Committee approved the following policy on March 15, 2023 and required attestation each admissions cycle.

POLICY TITLE: Conflict of interest and non-disclosure in admissions
APPROVED BY: Admissions committee
VERSION HISTORY: Partial 2010, this version March 15, 2023

This policy is to define and establish guidelines for conflicts of interest (COI) and disclosure of private information within the UAMS College of Medicine admissions process.

The policy applies to all persons who are involved in or contribute to the evaluation of an applicant as well as those involved in making decisions about admission into the UAMS College of Medicine, including:

- Admissions committee members
- Admissions interviewers, both faculty and medical students

Conflict of interest

If at any point in the admissions process, a COI arises with an applicant, the individual must:

- Disclose the COI to the Assistant Dean for Admissions
- Recuse themselves from any further review, rating, discussion or vote on that applicant.

- If an individual who serves on the admissions committee or as an interviewer has a child or spouse who is an applicant, that individual should not serve in that role during the entire admissions cycle.

Failure to disclose the COI and to recuse will result in removal from the admissions committee or service as an interviewer.

A COI occurs when an individual involved in the admissions process as noted above has one of the following situations regarding an applicant:

- Is a close family member or personal friend of an applicant. Close family member means parent, sibling, spouse, grandparents, aunt/uncle, or cousins, including in-law and step relationships. A close friend means a person that has a relationship with the admissions committee member or interviewer as to cause the perception of a COI.

- Has a healthcare relationship with an applicant or their close relatives, such as providing healthcare services.
- Has a financial relationship/interest in the applicant or a close relative of an applicant.
- Has served as an advisor/mentor/counselor or employer/supervisor for an applicant.
- Has a political relationship with the applicant or an applicant's close relative.
- Stands to benefit in some manner from the success or failure of the applicant.

Disclosure of private information

Those involved in the admissions process will have access to student educational records. It is expected that all those involved in the admissions process will not disclose applicant information unless there is a legitimate educational/admissions reason to do so. Those persons involved in admissions will return all applicant materials to the admissions office when they have finished their role in the admissions process; or in the case of digital materials, will permanently delete them.

Disclosures occur when the individual involved in the admissions process:

- Uses or shares applicant private information in ways that are beyond what is necessary to perform their role in the admissions process.
- Discusses or discloses private applicant information to others outside the admissions process except as might be required to meet legal or institutional requirements.
- Fails to maintain and secure private applicant information or fails to return documents, reports, notes, or other materials with applicant information to the admissions office when the participation in the admissions process has ended.

Violations of the non-disclosure requirements of this policy will result in removal from any role in the admissions process for the College of Medicine.

The individuals identified in this policy above who have a role in the admissions process will all complete an annual attestation that they have received and will comply with this policy.

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ATTESTATION AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS WELL AS FACULTY AND SENIOR MEDICAL STUDENT INTERVIEWERS

Admissions Committee members
"I hereby certify that I will comply with the COM Admissions COI policy. I hereby certify that I have no known conflicts of interest in serving on the UAMS COM Admissions Committee. In addition, I further certify that if I become aware of a personal conflict of interest concerning an applicant during the admissions process, I will recuse myself from discussions concerning the applicant and will not vote on the applicant's admissions status."

Admissions Interviewers
"I hereby certify that I will comply with the COM Admissions COI policy. I have no known COIs with those I am assigned to interview. If I become aware of a conflict, I will ask the admissions office staff for a reassignment of interviewers".



John Spollen, Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Date: October 16, 2026