

EARLY SELECTION PROGRAM

FOR

The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences M.D. Program

OVERVIEW



The **George Washington University** and the **University of Mary Washington** have agreed to implement an early selection program for individuals interested in a career of medicine. Students who are accepted into and fulfill the requirements of the early selection program will be provided provisional admission to the four-year M.D. program at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Select individuals are exempt from taking the MCAT, allowing these students time to pursue other academic, clinical, and volunteer opportunities, including undergraduate research and/or study abroad.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

The program is designed for **UMW Honors students** in the **second semester of their sophomore year** at UMW who meet the following criteria:

- ✓ In good standing within the UMW Honors Program; fulfilled all requirements for a second-semester sophomore
- ✓ Have a minimum of 3.5 overall GPA and no science grade below a B-
- ✓ Have completed a minimum of two semesters of chemistry and two semesters of biology or physics as well as a social/behavioral science course
- ✓ Completed 60 credits of course work by the end of the fourth semester
- ✓ Competitive SAT or ACT scores
- ✓ U.S. or Canadian Citizen or hold U.S. Permanent Residency
- ✓ Completed some patient related health care experiences
- ✓ Exhibit specific interest in the M.D. Program at George Washington University



For more information, please contact the Honors Program at 540-654-1716.



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TIMETABLE

Eligible students who are interested in applying must:

- Attend an information session held by the UMW Honors program/pre-med program.
- **Submit an application** (available from the UMW Honors program director or the pre-medical program advisor) **by March 1 of sophomore year.** Application will include SAT/ACT scores; a list of coursework completed to date; high school transcripts; three letters of recommendation; a list of health, service, or research experiences; two essays; and an academic plan for the last two years of the baccalaureate program.
- The UMW Honors program director and the UMW pre-medical program advisor will screen the applications and present selected files to The George Washington School of Medicine and Health Sciences Committee on Admission, which will review applications.
- The GWSMHS Committee on Admissions will review applications and make decisions regarding offer of an interview.
- **Final decisions will be made by July.**



PLEASE NOTE: Not all students who meet the criteria will be selected. The application process is competitive and includes applicants from a number of universities. The selection decisions of GW School of Medicine and Health Sciences are confidential and final.

What are the **requirements** for students selected into the program?

- ✓ Maintain a minimum 3.6 GPA.
- ✓ Complete all science courses with a B- or better average.
- ✓ Graduate with University Honors (fulfillment of requirements of the UMW Honors program).
- ✓ Complete the following course work: one semester of biochemistry, six credits of English, eight credits of biology (excluding botany and ecology), eight credits of general chemistry, eight credits of organic chemistry, eight credits of physics, three credits of a social or behavioral science.
- ✓ Must pursue a major or minor in a humanities area.
- ✓ Be free of any allegations of inappropriate academic, judicial, or honor code offenses.
- ✓ Complete all requirements for admission to the M.D. program (MCAT scores are not required).
- ✓ Complete a criminal background check before entering the M.D. program and be subject to drug screenings.

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