UWSOM is Committed to:

- The states of Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho (WWAMI)
- Training physicians of all specialties to practice in the region
  - Recognizing the special importance of training primary care doctors
- Contributing to biomedical research
- Providing educational opportunities for educationally and economically disadvantaged
## Expectations

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Medical College Admission Test (MCAT)

- Previous MCAT scores will still be considered as consistent with our policy
- MCAT should be taken no later than September the year of application
- Most recent MCAT scores are used for academic screen

Total Score: 472 (lowest) to 528 (highest)
118 to 132 for each section
AMCAS: The Primary Application

Deadline: October 15th, 2017

AMCAS Processing Fee: $160 for one medical school. $39 for each additional school.
AAMC Fee Assistance Program (FAP)

- Reduced MCAT registration fees
  - from $310 to $120
- The Official Guide to the MCAT Exam and practice tests
- Medical School Admission Requirements (MSAR)
- Waiver for all AMCAS fees for one application submission (up to 16 medical schools)

[https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/fap/](https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/fap/)
Premedical Course Requirements

- 4 semesters or 6 quarters of Social Sciences or Humanities
- 6 semesters or 9 quarters of Chemistry and Biology
  - general chemistry, general biology, biochemistry, molecular genetics, and cell biology/cell physiology
- 2 semesters or 3 quarters of Physics; or 1 semester or 2 quarters of Physics plus 1 semester or 2 quarters of calculus or linear algebra
- Optional: Ethics, Anatomy or Comparative Anatomy, Human or Mammalian Physiology, and Embryology
Work/Activities

- Insightful reflections on:
  - Domestic Physician Shadowing
  - Community Service
  - Patient Contact
  - Leadership Positions
  - Research
  - Employment
  - Military
  - Sports, Hobbies, Interests, or any activities that are meaningful
“Creating Your Personal Statement”
Breakout Sessions
at 11:05AM and 1:30PM
Disadvantaged Status

From AMCAS:

“Do you wish to be considered a disadvantaged applicant by any of your designated medical schools that may consider such factors (social, economic or educational)?”

Underserved
Immediate Family Situations/Circumstances
State and/or Federal Aid
Applicants complete the secondary application online:
- Additional statements
- Letters of recommendation
- TRUST application
- Residency certification/eligibility
- $35 application fee

Deadline: December 1st, 2017
Secondary Statements

- Autobiographical Statement Addendum

  How do you see historical and structural inequities affecting the patients you have worked with and will work with, and how do you as a student and physician address these broader causes of health disparities?

  How have your experiences prepared you to be a physician?

  What perspectives or experiences do you bring that would enrich the class?

  What obstacles to your goals have you experienced and how have you dealt with them?

- For re-applicants: From your most recent application until now, how have you strengthened your application?
Letters of Recommendation

- Required: a committee letter or 3 letters of recommendation
  - Well-rounded picture of applicant

- An additional 3 letters will be accepted
TRUST Application

- Please describe why you desire to participate in the TRUST program. Given your experience to date, which specialty is most interesting to you and where would you like to practice?

- Please identify the rural and underserved areas wherein you have lived/worked for more than two months (community name, population, state and dates lived in that community).
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Preliminary Screening

- Applicants with low GPA AND low MCAT score will be rejected
  - Note: Montana applicants below the cut off will go to the Montana Executive Committee Member for review.

- International students without United States permanent residency or citizenship will be rejected

- Applicants who have three previous applications will be rejected
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Preliminary Screening (cont.)

- WWAMI applicants above the academic cut off will get a secondary

- Non-WWAMI applicants above the academic cut off will get a secondary if they:
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  - Come from a disadvantaged background
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Screening Applications

- Complete applications are reviewed by two to three screeners for an invitation to interview.

- Montana applicants with two negative screens will go to the Montana Executive Committee Member for a final review.

- Decision to extend an interview can take up to 6 weeks.
Considerations When Screening

- **Academic ability**
  - Upward trajectory
  - GPA and MCAT are solid

- **Experiences/Activities**
  - Domestic physician shadowing
  - Experiences that are consistent with goals

- **Clear and coherent motivation for medicine**

- **Solid letters of recommendation**
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Decision

- Applications are reviewed throughout the season (“rolling admissions”) by the Executive Committee.
  - Montana applicants will hear an update the week after interviews.

- Timing of decisions are affected by competitiveness of the applicant pool.

- All applicants will be notified of final decisions by the end of March.
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Disappointed Applicants

- Applicants are encouraged to reapply
  - Demonstrate growth from previous application
    - New essays
    - New experiences

- Check out UWSOM resources
  - Annual Forum Sessions
  - One-on-One Feedback
## 2017 Applicant Pool and Entering Class

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