YOUR Journey STARTS Here

University of Minnesota Medical School
Driven to Discover™
One School. Two Campuses

The University of Minnesota Medical School is comprised of two campuses, the main Twin Cities campus in Minneapolis-St. Paul and the regional Duluth campus, located two hours north near Lake Superior. Our dual campus structure enables us to provide unique learning opportunities for students.

The Twin Cities campus is an interdisciplinary research center. Here, our 800+ students have the opportunity to explore specialties and subspecialties, pursue a joint degree, learn alongside their health professional student peers in dentistry, nursing, pharmacy, and public health, and engage in a wide variety of research opportunities.

In Duluth, we educate 120 first and second year medical students who are committed to practicing family medicine in rural Minnesota or serving American Indian communities. Students in Duluth receive focused attention from faculty to help start them on that path, as well as one-on-one clinical teaching experiences in small communities before joining their Twin Cities classmates in Minneapolis for their final two years of medical training.
What we look for in an ideal medical student

- Strong Academics
- Motivation for a career in medicine
- Commitment to improving the human condition
- Professionalism
- Interpersonal Skills
- Dedication to Lifelong Learning

Prerequisite Courses

- 1 Biology with lab
- 1 Chemistry with lab
- 4 additional science courses (2 of which must be upper level—level 300 or 3000; these courses can include the physical sciences like physics and chemistry)
- 1 upper level writing intensive humanities/social science (writing intensive consists of writing a 10-15 page paper)
The Tools of Success

- The Journey to medical school takes careful planning and preparation.
- Research: take advantage of resources for applicants on www.aamc.org/students/applying (Medical School Admissions Requirements (MSAR), MCAT preparation)
- Connect: network with current medical students and learn about their journeys through Aspiring Docs (www.aamc.org/students/aspiring)
- Prepare: Utilize premedical resources to acquire the necessary knowledge and information regarding the admissions process at www.med.umn.edu/admissions
Redesigned in 2010, our integrated curriculum will expose you to clinical science early in your first year of medical school. We are committed to interprofessional education and engage medical students with other health professions students within the schools of the Academic Health Center. The goal of this program is to break down the communication barriers that exist within the health care team to allow for more collaborative work to improve health care outcomes and the patient experience.

One unique component of our program is the Faculty Advisor Program. In your first year of medical school, you will be matched with a member of our faculty who will serve as a mentor to you through all four years of medical school. Your mentor will provide you with career and academic counseling, connect you with other medical professions to explore your future medical career, and will provide you with feedback and direction throughout your medical education.

We are also proud to offer the Flex MD program. This program allows our students to pursue their passions while enrolled in medical school. Engage in an international medical experience through the International Medical Education and Research program. Pursue a dual degree in business, public health, health informatics, biomedical engineering, or a law degree. For more information on the FlexMD program, please visit www.med.umn.edu/md-students/flexible-md-program.

Are you considering rural practice? Consider applying to the Rural Physician Associate Program (RPAP), the nation’s longest standing longitudinal integrated clerkship in which students spend nine months working with and learning from a rural preceptor during the third year. If RPAP isn’t right for you, consider one of our other longitudinal integrated clerkships. Apply to the Metropolitan Physician Associate Program to work in an urban underserved community and to learn about health disparities. Are you interested in practicing Pediatrics? Consider our Education in Pediatrics Across the Continuum, which is a competency based fast track model of medical education that will combine your medical education and residency into one single experience. Are you interested in working on quality improvement and patient safety initiatives? We offer the Veteran Affairs Longitudinal Undergraduate Experience (VALUE), where you will spend 10 months at the Veteran Affairs Hospital focusing on quality improvement and interprofessional team care.

Research Opportunities
Our medical students have the opportunity to engage in research as early as their first year of medical school, whether bench, clinical, international, interdisciplinary, community based, or topics of special interest. As a result of the depth of knowledge of our faculty and are presence within the Academic Health Center, you will be able to explore your interests and challenge yourself to become well-versed in all aspects of patient care.

Outreach Opportunities
Our students are very active in community outreach activities. Two of our most popular activities are the student run health clinics: the Phillips Neighborhood Clinic on the Twin Cities campus and the HOPE Clinic on the Duluth campus. Students can also work with our other health professions schools on special campus and community events, or become involved in numerous medical specialty interest groups.
Our Students

- Our medical students are well-rounded individuals who love and thrive on medical science and universally embrace their responsibilities for humanism and the art of medicine. In short, they are focused on a career filled with lifelong learning and providing excellent care to patients at home and abroad.

Would you like to connect with our medical students? Please visit www.med.umn.edu/admissions/connect-current-students

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