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2026-2027 GVSU Early Assurance Program (EAP) Agreements & Timelines for 2028 Entering Class

Early Assurance Programs provide opportunities for early medical school admission for students interested in becoming physicians in an underserved region or with underserved populations (and who have demonstrated this interest). Preference is given to students who are the first generation in their family to attend college, graduated from a low-income high school, graduated from a high school in an underserved (health professional shortage area) urban or rural community, are eligible for need-based grants, and/or who express and support their interest in a high-need medical specialty area (i.e. family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, OB/GYN).

While students may apply to multiple EAPs, **students are strongly encouraged to only apply to their top choice school(s)** and must be able to articulate why they feel they are a good fit at each EAP school. Once admitted, students may only accept their admission at **one** EAP partner medical school and the decision is binding, meaning they are ineligible to apply to other medical schools through regular admission.

General Information	MSU CHM (MD) EAP Agreement	CMU EAP Agreement	WSU EAP Agreement
Minimum GPA and MCAT requirement	3.0 overall, 3.0 BCPM 500 MCAT (125 in each subsection)	3.25 overall 500 MCAT	3.50 overall, 3.50 BCPM 70th percentile MCAT
Prerequisite information (prerequisites must be completed before matriculation)	Prerequisites C+ or higher required for all prerequisite courses	Basic Science Requirements and recommended courses	Prerequisites
Post-bacc/Gap year/Reapplicant rules	A gap year is acceptable if the applicant is enrolled at GVSU in Winter 2027. Post-bacc and graduate students are ineligible. Students who previously applied to med school via AMCAS/AACOMAS are ineligible.	A gap year is acceptable if the applicant is enrolled at GVSU in Winter 2027. Post-bacc and graduate students are ineligible. Students who previously applied to med school via AMCAS/AACOMAS are ineligible.	Post-bacc and graduate students are ineligible. Students who previously applied via AMCAS/AACOMAS are ineligible. Gap years are **not** acceptable for application considerations in this EAP program. **Applicants must be in their junior year with 70 or more earned credit hours.**

Timeline continued	Michigan State University College of Human Medicine (MSU-CHM)	Covenant HealthCare College of Medicine at Central Michigan University (CMU)	Wayne State University School of Medicine (WSU)
Medical school EAP Virtual Information Session	10/28/2026 at 7:00pm MSU Early Assurance Webinar Webinar Registration	TBD CMU Early Assurance Webinar *Check EAP for details*	11/6/2026 at 11:00am WSU Early Assurance Webinar Webinar Registration
GVSU EAP Self-Assessment Workshop	All EAP applicants must attend a Self-Assessment workshop. 11/13/2026 from 1:00-2:30pm (MAK B-1-120) **OR** 11/17/2026 from 4:00-5:30pm (MAK C-1-130) Register Online		
Medical school EAP Application goes live for students to complete/submit	11/23/2026 MSU CHM EAP Application	12/1/2026 CMU EAP Application	12/1/2026 WSU EAP Application
GVSU Endorsement Committee Application	Opens December 1, 2026: This application is required for all EAP applicants. Students will be required to complete a questionnaire and request their letters of recommendation through the application found at www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising/apply.		
EAP schools' primary application **Deadline**	**Sunday, 1/31/2027 at 11:59pm**	**Tuesday, 2/2/2027 at 11:59pm**	**Tuesday, 2/2/2027 at 11:59pm**
EAP schools' secondary application **Deadline**	**Sunday, 1/31/2027 at 11:59pm** included in primary application	No secondary for EAP	No secondary for EAP
GVSU Endorsement Application (questionnaire + at least 3 letters of recommendation) **Deadline**	**Tuesday, 2/2/2027 at 11:59pm**		
Medical school issues invitations for interview and notifies unsuccessful applicants	Monday, March 1, 2027 Must accept interview invite by 5pm on 3/8/2027	Early March	By 3/11/2027

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Medical school interview date(s)	**Virtual: March 15-18, 2027** Faculty Panel & Medical Student Interviews	**Virtual Interviews: 4/11/2027**	**Virtual Interviews: 3/25/2027**
Medical school notifies candidates of decision after interview	April 9, 2027	All applicants are considered until MCAT scores are released.	April-June
Medical school Last Date for MCAT for EAP Applicants	**8/14/2027**	**8/14/2027**	**5/8/2027**
Deadline for Situational Judgement Test (CASPer or PREview)	**CASPer or PREview Required TBD**	Not Required	Not Required
MCAT scores released; student emails scores to medical school	9/14/2027	9/14/2027	6/8/2027
Medical school communicates final decisions to applicants	Throughout summer, as scores are received	Throughout summer, as scores are received	By 6/30/2027
Medical school deadline for acceptance (deposit, official transcripts may be required)	Will be communicated by MSU-CHM to applicants provided an offer for admission.	Will be communicated by MSU-CHM to applicants provided an offer for admission.	Applicants must accept or reject EAP offer of admission via email within two weeks of the offer being made. Per AAMC traffic rules, *official* offers of admission would go out on or after October 15, 2027.
Medical school deadlines for submitting AMCAS Application as EAP Applicant	10/1/2027		

For more information about the Early Assurance Programs, please visit www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising/eap

You can also schedule an appointment with a pre-med advisor at www.gvsu.edu/navigate