

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

# MEDICAL SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

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# ENHANCING YOUR PATH TO MEDICAL SCHOOL

Grand Valley State University has either **Early Assurance\*** or **Preferred Relationship** agreements with five medical schools in Michigan. These agreements allow you to apply early in your junior or senior year of college if you meet criteria identified by those individual schools.

If you are admitted through these programs, you will be able to concentrate on your academics, knowing you have already been accepted to medical school. You will save expensive application fees, travel, interview time, and costs to other medical schools.

Even if you are not accepted into the Early Assurance or Preferred Relationship program, you will have a head start on the medical school application process.

*\*Through the early assurance program, CMU, MSU COM, MSU CHM, and WSU have agreed to grant early acceptance of admission for as many as five endorsed GVSU students. In addition, MSU CHM is also granting early acceptance to one student who transferred to GVSU from Grand Rapids Community College.*



College of Human Medicine  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY



College of Osteopathic Medicine  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY



WAYNE STATE  
School of Medicine



## EARLY ASSURANCE PROGRAM (EAP)

### WHO CAN APPLY?



GVSU students who wish to attend medical school and later care for underserved populations.

Preference will be given if you are

- a first generation college student;
- a graduate from a low income high school as defined by the U.S. Department of Education;
- eligible for/recipient of an undergraduate PELL grant;
- from a medically underserved area; and/or
- expressing interest in a high-need medical specialty.

You must be enrolled at GVSU and may not be simultaneously applying for either AMCAS or AACOMAS.

### SHOULD I APPLY?



If you feel that one or more of these schools would allow you to fulfill your goals, schedule an appointment with a premedical advisor.

Your advisor can review each school's criteria, discuss the admission process, and answer any questions you may have.

Visit [gvsu.edu/clasadvising](https://gvsu.edu/clasadvising) and click "Schedule an Appointment."

### THE PROCESS



#### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications open in December.

Juniors and seniors with 70 or more credit hours may submit an application, as well as all required documentation by early February.



#### GVSU ENDORSEMENT

The GVSU EAP Selection Committee will review your application and submit endorsement decisions to the EAP program(s) you have applied to for further consideration.



#### EAP SCHOOL DECISION

EAP medical school admissions committees will consider each candidate. Those considered most qualified may be required to submit secondary essays and will be invited to interview in spring. Decisions will be issued shortly after, typically between May and early July.

If admission is offered, and you decide to accept the invitation for admission, it is binding and you cannot apply to other medical schools.

## CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY (CMU) COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

### ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- Meet citizenship requirements according to CMU policy.
- Meet the minimum academic standards of 3.25 overall collegiate GPA. For the MCAT, a minimum score of 498 is required.
- Take MCAT by stated deadline of your application year.
- Obtain experience with health care through volunteering, employment, and/or job shadowing in medical settings.
- Demonstrate commitment to serving humanity as well as leadership qualities through community service and extracurricular activities.
- Demonstrate professional behavior of competence, honesty, compassion, respect, and responsibility in academic, clinical, and volunteer experiences.

### IF YOU ARE ADMITTED, YOU WILL

- be allowed to accept or reject the early admission to CMU;
- be eligible for special program offerings available to the CMU entering class;
- be invited to attend guest lectures and shadow grand rounds at CMU or an affiliated hospital site; and
- receive early information related to transition information.

## MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY (MSU) COLLEGE OF HUMAN MEDICINE (CHM)

### ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- Meet citizenship requirements according to MSU policy.
- Meet the minimum academic standards of 3.0 overall collegiate GPA; 3.0 in sciences. For the MCAT, a minimum score of 500, with subscores at 125.
- Take MCAT by stated deadline of your application year.
- Obtain experience with health care through volunteering, employment, and/or job shadowing in medical settings.
- Demonstrate commitment to humanity as well as leadership qualities through community service and extracurricular activities.
- Demonstrate professional behavior of competence, honesty, compassion, respect, and responsibility in academic, clinical, and volunteer experiences.

### IF YOU ARE ADMITTED, YOU WILL

- be allowed to accept or reject the early admission to CHM;
- be eligible for scholarships, dual/combined degrees, or any special program offerings available to the CHM entering class;
- be invited to attend guest lectures and shadow grand rounds at CHM or an affiliated hospital site in Grand Rapids;
- receive guaranteed preference for year one and year two campus selection; and
- receive early information related to CHM housing options and additional transition information.





## MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE (COM)

### ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- Meet citizenship requirements according to MSU policy.
- Meet the minimum academic standards of 3.0 overall collegiate GPA; 3.0 in sciences. For the MCAT, a minimum score of 500, with subscores at 125 or higher.
- Take MCAT by stated deadline of your application year.
- Demonstrate an active interest in osteopathic medicine through relevant GVSU organizations such as Pre-SOMA (Students of Osteopathic Medicine Association).
- Seek opportunities for patient care contact hours through volunteering, employment, and/or shadowing in medical and clinical settings.

### IF YOU ARE ADMITTED, YOU WILL

- be allowed to accept or reject the early admission to COM;
- be eligible for scholarships, dual/combined degrees, or any special program offerings available to the COM entering class; and
- be invited to attend guest lectures and shadow grand rounds at COM or an affiliated hospital site.

## WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY (WSU) SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (SOM)

### ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- Meet citizenship requirements according to WSU SOM policy.
- Meet the minimum academic standards of an overall GPA of 3.5, including a 3.5 in science, and minimum MCAT in the 70th percentile.
- Take MCAT by stated deadline of application year.
- Successfully complete undergraduate studies.
- Maintain regular contact with your premedical advisor.
- Show an active interest in and knowledge of medicine through extracurricular activities, volunteering, employment, and/or shadowing in medical settings.
- Demonstrate a commitment to community service.
- Demonstrate professional behavior of competence, honesty, compassion, respect, and responsibility in academic, clinical, and volunteer experiences.

### IF YOU ARE ADMITTED

- You may accept or reject early admission.
- You are eligible to apply for scholarships, apply for dual or combined degree programs, or any special program offerings, benefits, or accommodations as available for the WSU SOM entering class.

## PREFERRED RELATIONSHIP

### WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (WMED)

GVSU has a **Preferred Relationship** agreement with Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine (WMed), which allows you to apply through the WMedStart Early Decision Program and gives you preferred status when applying through the regular admissions cycle.

### WMEDSTART PROGRAM



#### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications open in November and are due January 31.



WMed will consider all candidates, and those most qualified will be invited to interview in spring. Decisions will be issued in early April.

### ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- Meet citizenship requirements according to WMed policy.
- Earn a minimum 3.70 overall GPA; 3.5 science GPA, and 30 ACT or 1350 SAT score.
- Achieve a minimum MCAT score at the 40th percentile prior to matriculation.
- Obtain experience with health care through volunteering, employment, and/or job shadowing in medical settings.
- Demonstrate commitment to humanity as well as leadership qualities through community service and extracurricular activities.
- Demonstrate professional behavior of competence, honesty, compassion, respect, and responsibility in academic, clinical, and volunteer experiences.

