

# Morehouse School of Medicine

Medical School Guide map

## Recommended Timeline of Courses to Complete

*(Degree Requirements/Sequencing may impact ability to strictly follow guide map)\**

First Year	
ENGL 1010 or ENGL 1011: Rhetoric and Writing I (3-4 Credit Hours)	ENGL 1020: Rhetoric and Writing II (3 Credit Hours)
PSY 1010: Introduction to Psychology (3 Credit Hours)	SOC 1510: Introduction to Sociology (3 Credit Hours)
BIOL 1110/1110L: Principles of Biology I/Lab (4 credit hours)	BIOL 1120/1120L: Principles of Biology II/Lab (4 Credit hours)
CHEM 1110/1110L: General Chemistry I/Lab (4 Credit Hours)	CHEM 1120/1120L: General Chemistry II/Lab (4 Credit Hours)
MATH 1130: College Algebra or MATH 1710: Precal I or Math 1720: Precal II or MATH 1730: Combined Precal (3-4 Credit Hours)	MATH 1830: Calculus for Management, Life and Social Sciences or MATH 1950: Calculus I (3-4 Credit Hours)
Second Year and Third Year	
CHEM 3010/3010L: Organic Chemistry I/Lab (4 Credit Hours)	CHEM 3020/3020L: Organic Chemistry II/Lab (4 Credit Hours)
PHYS 1030/1030L: General Physics - Mechanics & Heat/Lab (4 Credit Hours)	PHYS 1040/1040L: General Physics - Electromagnetism & Optics/Labor (4 Credit Hours)
CHEM 4510: Biochemistry (4 Credit Hours)	Study for MCAT, take MCAT April or May of third year
Fourth Year	
Complete remaining major requirements	
<i>*Students coming in with: transfer credit, AP, Dual Enrollment, other credit, or who opt to take summer courses may have an amended timeline. Please reach out to the Pre-Health Professions Advisor to develop a custom timeline</i>	

## MCAT Facts You Need to Know

Cost	Scores	Timing	Reporting
Registration for MCAT: \$320	50 <sup>th</sup> percentile is considered competitive at MSM	Recommended timeline: April/May year prior to when you plan to enroll	No scores can be omitted, every attempt is reported
Registration for the MCAT 8 days or less prior to test date: \$370	127 minimum in each category to be competitive at MSM	Deadline for MCAT is last date in Sept. for that year's application cycle	Scores are automatically released to AMCAS
16 days or more before test date, refund of \$155 issued; no refund 15 days or less from the test date	506 minimum total score to be considered competitive at MSM	Scores are received within 30 days of the test	Scores can be sent to non AMCAS school electronically via Score Reporting System or mailing official copy
Fee Assistance is offered but MUST be applied for prior to selecting date for exam. Fee is dropped to \$125 <a href="#">MCAT Fee Assistance</a>	Scores must be no older than 5 years from the year you plan to enroll.		Additional fees may apply to sending your scores to non AMCAS schools

## Shadowing

It is imperative that applicants have the experience of shadowing a physician. There is no set designation of time, but having a good understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a physician is extremely important

## Early Decision

This is an optional program for the those whose first-choice is MSM and who desires an admission decision based on their application no later than October 1. Applicant must: Apply only to MSM, be GA residents enrolled as seniors or graduates of an accredited regional university or college in the United States. Students must receive a baccalaureate degree before August of the year they are to enter medical school, submit all required credentials to AMCAS by August 1, completed 90+ credit hours including prerequisites (can submit completion plan for prerequisites)

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Timeline – Freshman and Sophomore Year			
Year 1 Classes	Year 1 Experience	Year 2 Classes	Year 2 Experience
Complete course sequences: General Chemistry, General Biology, English Composition, Algebra/Calculus, Sociology, and Psychology	Join clubs/get involved, begin working with PHPA to identify areas to develop	Complete: Organic Chemistry and Physics sequences	Shadowing/scribing, leadership opportunities. Work with PHPA on personal statement and participate in MCAT prep. Identify recommenders

Timeline – Junior Year, Senior Year, and Acceptance			
Year 3 Classes	Year 3 Experience	Year 3 Summer	AP and Online Courses
Complete: Biochemistry, and Physics (if not completed in the second year)	Continue shadowing, volunteering, and other activities. Prepare for MCAT and register for MCAT to take April/May	Submit completed AMCAS application no later than June 30	Preference that all courses to be classroom based, however online math courses are accepted. AP courses accepted only if they are displayed on academic transcript from undergraduate institution

## Application Breakdown

<b>Application-Step 1- Gather your Materials and Determine your Eligibility</b>		
Evaluation of Foreign Studies	MCAT	Letters of Recommendation
Applicants with international credit or degrees must have transcript(s) certified for equivalency to U.S. degrees or coursework by a credential evaluation service that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services ( <a href="#">NACES</a> ). Applicants who have completed coursework or hold degrees from, a postsecondary institution in Australia, Canada (except Quebec), New Zealand, or the United Kingdom will normally not need to have their academic transcripts evaluated and certified for equivalency	MCAT Scores that are over three years old from entering class date will not be considered. Applications are not considered complete until scores are received by MSM	Either 1 composite letter of recommendation from Pre-Health Advisors or 3 letters from individual letter writers two (2) of whom must be science professors. Additionally, each letter must be on official letterhead, have the writer's name, position, organization's name, and be signed by the writer. Letters to be submitted to AMCAS

<b>Application-Step 2 and 3- Fill out and Submit Applications</b>		
Application	Cost	Secondary Application
New AMCAS Application required every year. AMCAS opens in early May and MSM reviews applications starting early July	\$170 for initial application/first school, \$41 for each additional school	Applicants are emailed a secondary application by invitation only. A \$50 fee is associated with the secondary application

<b>Application-Step 4 and 5- Interview and Decision</b>	
Interviews	Acceptance
Invitations for interviews are sent in writing and by email, and the Office of Admissions schedules all appointments. Interviewees can expect: visit with MSM's Financial Services, overview of the curriculum, facilities and student support, tour of the MSM campus and one clinical medical facility, two individual interviews with faculty, lunch with the dean of admissions, and information regarding the admission committee decision process and timelines	Upon notification of an offer of acceptance for admission to MSM, the applicant is required to submit a letter of intent. The applicant must respond to the offer of admission within two weeks. An extension of this deadline may be granted upon written request by the applicant. A \$100 reservation deposit is required to be submitted with the letter of intent.

**\*\* Some schools may have college service fees - check with Records/Registrar's Office of school for more information**