

# Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine PCOM Georgia

Medical School Guide map

## Recommended Timeline of Courses to Complete

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

First Year	
BIOL 1110/1110L: Principles of Biology I/Lab (4 credit hours)	CHEM 1110/1110L: General Chemistry I/Lab (4 Credit Hours)
BIOL 1120/1120L: Principles of Biology II/Lab (4 credit hours)	CHEM 1120/1120L: General Chemistry II/Lab (4 Credit Hours)
ENGL 1010 or ENGL 1011: Rhetoric and Writing I (3-4 Credit hours)	ENGL 1020: Rhetoric and Writing II (3 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 (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)
PSY 1010: Introduction to Psychology (3 Credit Hours)	SOC 1510: Introduction to Sociology (3 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)	BIOL 1130: Principles of Biology III (3 Credit Hours)**
MATH 2100: Introductory Statistics (3 Credit Hours) <i>Recommended</i>	Take MCAT April/May of third year
Fourth Year	
BIOL 2060: Functional Human Anatomy (4 Credit Hours) <i>Recommended</i>	BIOL 2080: Human Physiology (4 Credit Hours) <i>Recommended</i>
BIOL 3250: Genetics (3 Credit Hours) <i>Recommended</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	
** Courses not required/recommended for admission to PCOM-GA but are prerequisites for required/recommended courses, applicants will need to complete these courses in addition to required/recommended courses	

## MCAT Facts You Need to Know

Cost	Scores	Timing	Reporting
Registration for MCAT: \$320	50 <sup>th</sup> percentile is considered competitive at	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	125 minimum in each category to be competitive at	Deadline for MCAT is last date in Sept. for that year's application cycle	Scores are automatically released to AMCAS, PCOM-GA <b>are not AMCAS schools</b> , scores must be designated to AACOMAS by applicant
16 days or more before test date, refund of \$155 issued, no refund 15 days or less from the test date	501 total score to be considered competitive at	Scores are reported within 30 days of the test	Scores must be sent to PCOM-GA 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 3 years from the year you plan to enroll.	PCOM-GA is a non-AMCAS School; scores are not automatically uploaded to AACOMAS App.	Additional fees may apply to sending your scores to the AACOMAS application system

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Timeline – Freshman and Sophomore Year			
Year 1 Classes	Year 1 Experience	Year 2 Classes	Year 2 Experience
Complete: General Chemistry, General Biology, English Composition, and Algebra/Calculus	Join clubs/get involved, begin working with PHPA to identify areas to develop	Complete: Organic Chemistry, Psychology, Sociology, Statistics, and Physics	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	Year 4 Class
Complete: Biochemistry, Physics (if physics not completed in the second year), and BIOL 1130	Continue shadowing, volunteering, and other activities. Prepare for MCAT and register for MCAT to take April/May. Submit AACOMAS application no later than Feb 1 of enrollment year	Submit completed AACOMAS application no later than June 30	Complete: recommended Genetics, Anatomy, Physiology, and remaining degree requirements

## Application Breakdown

### **Application-Step 1- Gather your Materials and Determine your Eligibility**

MCAT	Evaluations/Letters of Rec.
Scores can be no older than 3 years. Jan of enrollment year is the latest score date considered	Applicants must provide three faculty letters of recommendation: Two of those three letters must be from SCIENCE professors (undergraduate, post-baccalaureate or graduate programs). The remaining required letter can come from any other faculty member. Obtain at least one letter of recommendation from an osteopathic physician, while not required, this document is strongly recommended

### **Application-Step 2 and 3- Fill out and Submit Applications**

Application	Cost	Submission Timing for Best Consideration
AACOMAS Application required, cycle opens May 2 and closes March 15 of each year for AACOMAS	\$195 for initial application/first school, \$45 for each additional program	Full AACOMAS application must be e-submitted, completed and verified by February 1, to be considered for admission to PCOM-GA. Additionally, all required supporting materials (required letters of recommendation and the \$75 non-refundable institutional application fee) must be received no later than March 1. However, early submission is strongly recommended as interviewees are selected and decisions are rendered on a rolling basis.

### **Application-Step 4 and 5- Interview and Decision**

Interview	Acceptance
Interviews begin in September and continue through the end of March. PCOM conducts a panel interview that includes at least two members of the Faculty Committee on Admissions, which may include an osteopathic physician, a basic scientist, a student and/or an Admissions officer. It is an open file interview with laptops, and generally lasts about half an hour	Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit, according to the following AACOMAS traffic guideline schedule: Accepted prior to November 15 will have until December 14, accepted between November 15 and January 14 will have 30 days, accepted between January 15 and May 14 will have 14 days, accepted after May 15 may be asked for an immediate deposit. Earliest acceptance date: Oct 1. Latest acceptance date: August 1

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