Recommended Courses in Preparation for Medical School

(1) 2015 MCAT preparation courses*
(2) University of Missouri-Columbia
(3) Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
(4) Saint Louis University
(5) Kansas City University of Medicine and Bioscience
(6) University of Missouri Kansas City

† Labs are included in respective courses
* Required courses for Scholars Program prior to application
+ Recommended courses
- Some schools may have additional requirements

The following courses are strongly recommended for success in medical school:
Histology (BIOL 333), Comparative Anatomy (BIOL 316) or Comprehensive Human Anatomy (BIOL 321), and Biopsychology (PSYC 356)

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About the Program

The Saint Louis University Scholars Program grants academically outstanding students with a non-binding agreement to attend medical school following the completion of their undergraduate education. The Medical Scholars Program provides first year students with a unique opportunity to begin the medical school application process during their second year of college. Students accepted in the program are required to take the MCAT, but the results will not affect their acceptance to the medical school. This allows students to dedicate their time solely to their undergraduate studies. Accepted students may choose to apply to other medical schools, but acceptance to Saint Louis University will be forfeited.

Students will apply to the program during the spring semester of their second year. The following summer, students will attend an interview at the medical school and will be notified of acceptance prior to their third year.

Admission Guidelines

- Students must obtain an ACT composite score of at least 30 or 1330 SAT score.
- Students are not permitted to withdraw from courses after the drop/add period at the beginning of the semester, nor are they permitted to take an incomplete (I) in a course.
- Students are not permitted to audit courses.
- All math and science courses must be taken at Drury’s campus during the academic year, unless approved by the Director.
- Students must obtain a cumulative GPA of 3.65 or higher each year for all four years and not receive a D or F in any course. Research credits do not count as part of the science GPA.
- Students apply to the program during the spring semester of their second year.
- Students are expected to have a shadowing experience of approximately 60 hours prior to the interview.
- Students must attend an institute with whom Saint Louis University has partnered with to offer the Medical Scholars program.
- Following the submission of applications, students will attend an interview at SLU.

Applicants will receive notification of acceptance prior to the beginning of their third year.

Accepted students must maintain a cumulative and BCPM GPA of 3.65 or higher.

Scholars take the MCAT between April of Junior year through September. Scholars do not need to make a minimums core on the MCAT; however, students are expected to put forth their best effort.

A minimum of 30 credits must be taken each year with a minimum of 14 credits in a given semester. The 30 credits do not include coursework taken in summer school, credit by examination or dual and AP credit. Students must take at least one upper division course each semester of their Junior and Senior year.

Application Requirements

- The application for admission to the Medical Scholars Program includes:
  1. Personal Statement
  2. First and second year academic record
  3. Third and fourth year course schedule
  4. Professor Evaluations
- College transcripts displaying grades through the second year
- ACT/SAT scores

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*Labs are included in the respective courses.
+Genetics can be substituted with another upper level course with permission of the Pre-med Advisor.

-SLU requires an additional twelve hours in humanities and behavioral sciences along with some study of health and disease at the sub-cellular/ molecular level.