

ERAS[®] Applicant SOAP[®] Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

PRE-SOAP

Where can I get information about the Match Week Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program[®] (SOAP)?

- Please review the [NRMP[®] and ERAS SOAP Guide for Applicants](#).

Is there anything I can do to prepare for applying to programs during SOAP?

- Please review the [ERAS Applicant Checklist for SOAP](#).

ELIGIBILITY

How do I know if I am eligible to participate in SOAP?

- On Monday, March 13 at 10 a.m. ET, you will learn your match status (by email and the National Resident Matching Program[®] (NRMP[®]) Registration, Ranking, and Results[®] (R3[®]) system). If you are [SOAP-eligible](#) unmatched or partially matched you can access the *List of Unfilled Programs* in the R3 system.

If I have not registered for ERAS, can I participate in SOAP?

- Yes, if you are registered with the NRMP and the NRMP has indicated that you meet the eligibility requirements to participate in SOAP. You will need to get a token from your designated Dean's Office and register with ERAS.

I'm SOAP eligible, can I apply to positions outside of SOAP?

- No, SOAP-eligible applicants can only apply to SOAP-participating programs (those with unfilled positions in the NRMP's Main Residency Match) via ERAS.

I'm SOAP ineligible, can I still apply to programs?

- Yes, during SOAP you may apply to programs not participating in the Main Residency Match. You will be subjected to the [regular application fee structure for ERAS 2023 residency applicants](#).

FEES

Is there a fee for SOAP?

- If you applied to at least one residency program (for ERAS 2023 season) by Monday, March 13, at 7:30 a.m. ET you will **not** pay any application fees during SOAP.

What if I did not apply to a residency program before SOAP, is there a fee to use ERAS?

- If you did not apply to at least one residency program by Monday, March 13, and you are SOAP-eligible, you will be charged a fee of \$99. If you have not sent your USMLE or COMLEX-USA transcripts, a fee of \$80 per transcript type will apply.

If I use my 45 applications during SOAP, can I pay for additional applications to use during SOAP?

- No, you cannot apply to additional SOAP programs once you have reached the 45-program maximum.

TIMELINE

Where can I find the SOAP schedule?

- Please review the [ERAS 2023 SOAP Schedule](#).

When can I submit applications during SOAP?

- SOAP eligible applicants can apply between Monday, March 13 at 11 a.m. ET – Thursday, March 16 at 9 p.m. ET.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS

How many applications do I have for SOAP?

- SOAP eligible applicants can apply to 45 programs between Monday, March 13 at 11 a.m. ET – Thursday, March 16 at 9 p.m. ET. Applicants cannot withdraw applications to replace or exceed the allotted 45 programs.

Can I reapply to programs I applied to during the regular ERAS season?

- Yes, you may apply to programs previously applied to prior to SOAP by doing the following.
 - Log into your [MyERAS](#) account
 - From the Programs menu, select ‘Reapply to Programs’
 - Select the programs you would like to reapply to
 - Select ‘Reapply to Programs’ and follow the prompts
- Please note, the program must participate in SOAP and have unfilled positions that you are eligible for.
- As a reminder, LoRs assigned to a program during the regular season cannot be unassigned.

Can I reapply to programs in SOAP that I already applied to during SOAP?

- No. You can only apply to a program once during SOAP. If a program has received your application during SOAP, the program will have your information on file for all future rounds.

APPLICATIONS

Can I make changes to my application during SOAP?

- You cannot make changes to your application once you have certified and submitted it in MyERAS. The personal information section will remain available for updates and edits as usual.

Can I create a new personal statement for SOAP/different specialties/programs?

- Yes, you may update or create new personal statements and assign them to different specialties/programs.

Can I upload new Letters of Recommendation (LoRs) for SOAP?

- Yes, you can upload new letters of recommendation. Once you have applied to a program you cannot unassign LoRs.

HELP

If you have any questions, please contact [ERAS Client Technical Support](#) (202-862-6264) Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. ET.