



AMCAS Updates and Preparing 2022 Cycle Applicants for the Choose Your Medical School Tool

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2022 AMCAS Application Cycle Updates

Comparing AMCAS 2020 – 2022 Cycles

<i>The data in this tables compares the past 3 cycles as of the same number of days from application submission opening (equivalent number of days between current date and submission opening in each respective cycle).</i>		AY 2022 (As of 02/7/2022)	AY 2021 (As of 2/8/2021)	AY 2020 (As of 2/10/2020)
Application Volume	Applications Initiated	88,481	99,316 (12.2%)	87,965 (-.58%)
	Applications Submitted	53,699	61,272 (14.1%)	51,574 (-3.95%)
	Applications Processed	52,660	60,086 (14.1%)	50,822 (-3.5%)
	Re-applicants – Count % of Subm. Apps	15,728 (29.28%)	15,055 (24.57%)	13,838 (26.83%)

Fee Assistance Program Update

Fee Assistance Program Application Year	Processed and Approved Applications
Year 2021	12,931
Year 2020	16,017
Year 2019	8,969

Over 50% of applicants who submitted received Fee Assistance benefits in AY2021

Awards total over \$25+ million

Effective calendar year 2022, the AAMC has modified two of its eligibility requirements for the Fee Assistance Program:

- Removed the U.S. citizenship and certain visa status eligibility requirements and instead will require a U.S. address.
- Removed the requirement for parental financial information for applicants age 26 and over on the day the application is submitted.

2023 Application Dates

Application Deadlines

- Application must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. ET of the deadline date
- Transcripts must be received by AMCAS within 14 calendar days* of the application deadline date (or the next business day if the deadline date falls on a weekend or holiday)
- *For Early Decision Program applicants all transcripts must be received by Monday, August 1
- Visit www.aamc.org/amcasdeadlines

Date*	Event
April 2022	2023 AMCAS Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicant Guide• Opening Cycle Webinars for Applicants and Advisors
Tuesday, May 3	AMCAS application opens
Thursday, May 26	AMCAS application submission begins
Friday, June 24	Initial transmission of application data to medical schools
Monday, August 1	Early Decision Program deadline
Sept.-Dec.	Application deadlines

Application dates are subject to change; if needed, updates will be provided

Choose Your Medical School Tool

Important Reminders

1. Follow school-specific policies and procedures: Review each school's application instructions, policies, deadlines, and requirements. We recommend visiting each school's admissions website, checking [Medical School Admission Requirements](#), and directly communicating with the schools where you applied to ensure you understand their specific instructions and procedures.

2. Review the AMCAS Choose Your Medical School tool information: Many schools use the [AMCAS Choose Your Medical School tool](#). On Tuesday, February 22, 2022, this tool becomes available within the AMCAS application to *applicants who receive an acceptance offer from a participating school*. You should use the tool at the direction of the school(s) to which you applied.

3. Understand Professionalism Expectations: The [Application and Acceptance Protocols for Applicants](#) are guiding principles for professional behavior during the application cycle. They are not intended to supersede the policies, timelines, or discretion of individual schools or programs. [Expectations of Professionalism During the Medical School Admissions Process](#) and [Tips from Admissions on Maintaining Professionalism Throughout Your Interview](#) also highlight areas of professionalism that medical schools are looking for from applicants.

Important Dates Overview

Important Reminder: Several key admissions process dates fall on a weekend or holiday this cycle; therefore, their availability shifts to the next business day.

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

- “*Plan to Enroll*” becomes available for accepted applicants to select in the Choose Your Medical School tool, located within the AMCAS application (note: only applicants who receive an acceptance offer from a participating school will be able to see and use the tool)

Monday, May 2, 2022

- “*Commit to Enroll*” becomes available for accepted applicants to select, in addition to “Plan to Enroll,” in the Choose Your Medical School tool, located within the AMCAS application (note: selecting “Commit to Enroll” does not automatically withdraw applicants from other medical schools).
- Per the [Application and Acceptance Protocols for Applicants](#), applicants should narrow their acceptance offers to one, with no limit on the number of alternate list offers they may hold.

Choose Your Medical School (CYMS) Tool

CYMS Action	Date	Applicant Decision	What Schools See
Plan to Enroll	February 22 – May 1	Applicants can continue to interview, hold current acceptance offers, receive additional acceptance offers, and remain on any waitlist at any other medical school	Aggregate applicant information
Protocol	April 15	Applicants should hold no more than three acceptances	
Protocol	May 2	Applicants should hold no more than one acceptance but can continue to hold waitlist positions	
Plan to Enroll	May 2	The same use for this option applies, however, applicants should not hold multiple acceptances but can remain on waitlists in accordance with the Protocols	Detailed, identifiable information about application selections
Commit to Enroll	May 2 – End of Cycle	Applicant is indicating they have made a final selection and withdrawn all other applications, including waitlist positions (note: selecting Commit to Enroll does not automatically withdraw applicants from other medical schools)	Detailed, identifiable information about application selections

[Application and Acceptance Protocols for Applicants](#)

Demonstration:
Choose Your Medical School Tool and
Admissions Decision Dashboard

AMCAS Action	Applicant Facing Text	Description Text (one-pager)
Accepted	Accepted	This medical school has reported an offer of acceptance to AMCAS.
Alternate List	Alternate List	This medical school has reported that you are on their Alternate List/Waitlist.
Deferred to Future Class	Applicant Deferred to Future Class	The date you are scheduled to start medical school has been delayed to the next admissions cycle.
Defer to Regular Pool	Program Changes to Regular MD	The program type for this specific medical school application was changed to Regular MD from another program type.
Early Matriculation	Enrolled in Pre-Matriculation Program	This medical school has enrolled you in a program that offers exposure to key aspects of first-year learning and eases the transition into the M.D. Program curriculum.
Matriculated	Matriculated	This medical school has reported you as matriculated in AMCAS.
Passive Withdrawal	Application No Longer Under Consideration	This medical school has not offered you a seat in their entering class.
Preliminary Rejection	Application No Longer Under Consideration	This medical school has not offered you a seat in their entering class.
Rejected	Application No Longer Under Consideration	This medical school has not offered you a seat in their entering class.
Rescinded Acceptance	Application No Longer Under Consideration	This medical school has not offered you a seat in their entering class.
Withdrawn Before Acceptance	Application No Longer Under Consideration	This medical school has not offered you a seat in their entering class.
Withdrawn After Acceptance	Application Withdrawn After Acceptance	This medical school has communicated to AMCAS that you withdrew your application.

What to Expect: What's Available and When

CYMS Aggregate Report

Accepted Applicants and Plan to Enroll Breakdown [?](#)



[^]# = Current number, Y = Change from yesterday (actual #); LC = Change from Last Cycle (actual #)

CYMS Aggregate Report

Applicants by Acceptance or Alternate List Offers ?

All My School Other Schools No Decision

Total Applicants: 35 (Yesterday: 0 (35), Last Cycle: ↑35 (0))

Number of Accepted Applicants with:	#	Change from (# from):	
		Yesterday	Last Cycle
0 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	30	0 (30)	↑30 (0)
1 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	3	0 (3)	↑3 (0)
2 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
3 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	2	0 (2)	↑2 (0)
4 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
5+ Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)

Number of Accepted Applicants with:	#	Change from (# from):	
		Yesterday	Last Cycle
0 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	34	0 (34)	↑34 (0)
1 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	1	0 (1)	↑1 (0)
2 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
3 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
4 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
5+ Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)

CYMS Detailed Report

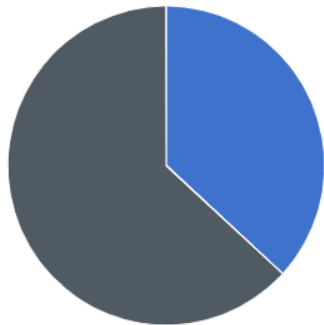
Total Applicants

501

Applicant Breakdown in Report

	#	Change from (# from):	
		Yesterday	Last Cycle
Accepted	35	0 (35)	↑34 (1)
Early Matriculation	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
Matriculated	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
Defer to Future Class	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
Alternate List	12	0 (12)	↑12 (0)
Total	47	0 (47)	↑46 (1)

Status Summary - My School



38 Applicants

Plan to enroll at my school

14 (37%) In-state: **7** Out-of-state: **7**
Yesterday: 0 (14), Last Cycle: ↑14 (0)

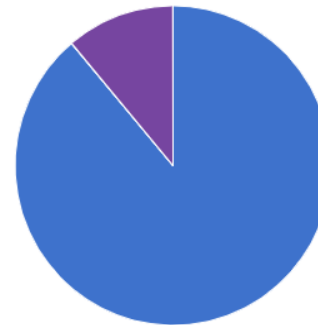
Commit to enroll at my school

0 (0%) In-state: **0** Out-of-state: **0**
Yesterday: 0 (0), Last Cycle: ↓1 (1)

No decision

24 (63%) In-state: **13** Out-of-state: **11**
Yesterday: 0 (24), Last Cycle: ↑24 (0)

Status Summary - Other Schools



9 Applicants

Plan to enroll at other school

8 (89%) In-state: **5** Out-of-state: **3**
Yesterday: 0 (8), Last Cycle: ↑8 (0)

Commit to enroll at other school

0 (0%) In-state: **0** Out-of-state: **0**
Yesterday: 0 (0), Last Cycle: 0 (0)

Matriculated elsewhere

1 (11%) In-state: **0** Out-of-state: **1**
Yesterday: 0 (1), Last Cycle: ↑1 (0)

CYMS Detailed Report

Applicant List 



Legal Name(L,F) ↑	Email	AAMC ID	Program	SLR	Sex	Current Status	My School?	Status Date	Current Admission Action	Matriculated Elsewhere ?
Appeddu, Merelene	agaahdm@amask.org	77183855	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Female	No Decision	N/A	N/A	Accepted	No
Baburao, Mohammadkhurram	amaaqxs@amask.org	75281829	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	No Decision	N/A	N/A	Alternate List	No
Bedregal_Cusquillo, Arry	agaakejj@amask.org	75780233	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	No Decision	N/A	01/08/2022	Accepted	No
Brandrup, Donatella	aqazfvl@amask.org	70602400	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	No Decision	N/A	01/08/2022	Accepted	No
Busbin, Goni	amaatiul@amask.org	74083498	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	Plan To Enroll	YES	01/07/2022	Accepted	No
Cassolato, Cheng_Yuan	apaagrmo@amask.org	74199867	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Female	Plan To Enroll	NO	01/07/2022	Accepted	No
Degrey, Badila	azaawybm@amask.org	73902721	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	Plan To Enroll	YES	01/07/2022	Accepted	No
DeschÃˆnes, Rajarajan	aaaajffl@amask.org	73684482	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	Plan To Enroll	NO	01/07/2022	Accepted	No
Disque, Sabin	ataaegio@amask.org	69780841	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	No Decision	N/A	N/A	Alternate List	No
Gonggetyai, Urmilabea	awaavjk@amask.org	67983361	Regular M.D.	New Jersey	Male	No Decision	N/A	N/A	Alternate List	No

CYMS Detailed Report

Applicants by Acceptance or Alternate List Offers [?]

All

My School

Other Schools

No Decision

Total Applicants: 24 (Yesterday: 0 (24), Last Cycle: ↑24 (0))

Number of Applicants with:	#	Change from (# from):	
		Yesterday	Last Cycle
0 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	23	0 (23)	↑23 (0)
1 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	1	0 (1)	↑1 (0)
2 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
3 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
4 Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
5+ Acceptance Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)

Number of Applicants with:	#	Change from (# from):	
		Yesterday	Last Cycle
0 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	24	0 (24)	↑24 (0)
1 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
2 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
3 Alternate List Offers From Other Schools	0	0 (0)	0 (0)
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Prehealth Advisor View in the Advisor Information System (AIS)

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AMCAS Application Status		
Status:	P - Processed; Date:	
Deadlines:	The applicant has missed 0 deadline(s).	
Choose Your Medical School		
Change Type	Details	Change Date
Selection	Selected "Plan to Enroll" to Cooper Medical School of Rowan University	
Selection	Selected "Commit to Enroll" to Cooper Medical School of Rowan University	
Deletion	Previous selection reset by applicant	
Selection	Selected "Plan to Enroll" to Cooper Medical School of Rowan University	
Selection	Selected "Plan to Enroll" to Cooper Medical School of Rowan University	
Deletion	Previous selection reset by applicant	
Selection	Selected "Plan to Enroll" to Cooper Medical School of Rowan University	

Community Members' Advising Perspectives on CYMS and Professionalism

Common Questions and Scenarios

Common Scenarios

1. School is requiring an applicant to accept a merit-based scholarship by selecting “Commit to Enroll” (CTE) on or around May 2
2. School is asking an applicant to select CTE more than 4 weeks prior to matriculation
3. Schools offering acceptances to applicants who 1) already matriculated, or 2) in CTE at another school
4. Schools not reporting a withdrawal that applicant already communicated – applicant showing up as holding other acceptances when they already withdrew

Final Reminders

Important Reminders

- Applicants are encouraged to:
 - Review [Choose Your Medical School](#) information; the tool is not the primary means of communication between the applicant and the medical school
 - Follow school-specific policies and procedures for using the tool
 - Professionalism on the part of all stakeholders is critical for the tool's success
 - Become familiar with the [Application and Acceptance Protocols for Applicants](#), the guiding principles for professional behavior during the medical school application process

Resources

Information for Applicants

- **Choose Your Medical School:**
 - [Choose Your Medical School Website](#)
 - [Choose Your Medical School Training Guide \(step-by-step instructions for how to use the tool\)](#)
 - [Choose Your Medical School downloadable resource \(for applicants and advisors\)](#)
- **Professionalism:**
 - [Application and Acceptance Protocols for Applicants](#)
 - [Expectations of Professionalism During the Medical School Admissions Process](#)
 - [Tips from Admissions on Maintaining Professionalism Throughout Your Interview](#)

Information for Advisors

- [Choose Your Medical School Website for Advisors](#)
- [Previous Choose Your Medical School Webinars for Advisors](#)

Questions and Answers