Annual MCAT Webinar for Prehealth Advisors
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Today’s Agenda

• Welcome
• 2023 Testing Year and Registration
• Test Day Policies and Important Information
• AAMC MCAT Official Prep Products and Resources
• AAMC Resources for Advisors
• Q&A
2023 Testing Year
The 2023 testing year will go from January through September

• 30 exam dates
• One administration per day (8:00 a.m. start time)
• 30-35 day score reporting
• Health and Safety Protocols established by Pearson VUE
  • May vary by location
2023 U.S. Testing Calendar and Score Release Dates

Canadian Calendar: www.aamc.org/mcat

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AAMC Fee Assistance Program

The AAMC’s Fee Assistance Program helps those with financial need. It defrays the cost of preparing for and taking the MCAT exam and applying to medical school

**Deadlines:** Application is open now. Apply 10 days in advance of when you plan to use the benefits.

**Eligibility**

- The Fee Assistance Program is open to everyone with a U.S.-based address.

- Approval tied to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ poverty level guidelines. In 2022, you will be granted fee assistance if each household reported on your application has a 2021 total family income that is 400 percent or less than the 2021 national poverty level for that family size.

- Parental information required for students under age 26

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AAMC Fee Assistance Program

MCAT Benefits
- Reduced scheduling fees
- Access to all 15 online AAMC MCAT Official Prep Products
- Stipend for updated evaluation for accommodations

Additional Benefits
- AMCAS application submission fee waiver (up to 20 schools)
- Complimentary access to the Medical School Admission Requirements (MSAR) website
- Waiver for AAMC PREview™ professional readiness exam registration fees

Canadian Fee Assistance Program
- Reduced registration fees
- Access to all 15 online AAMC MCAT Official Prep Products
- Apply through Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada
Testing with Accommodations

The AAMC is committed to providing all individuals with an opportunity to demonstrate their proficiency on the MCAT exam, including ensuring access to persons with disabilities

• About 1.5% test with accommodations

• Commonly provided accommodations include:
  • Extra testing time
  • Extra break time
  • Separate testing rooms

• MCAT Accommodations Online System (MAO)
  • Allows examinees to submit applications and documentation online for secure and efficient processing
  • Stores all decision letters for easy access in the future
Enhancements to the Online application system

- Easier navigation and new features
- Submit extensions, reconsiderations, and appeals online
- Withdraw application and submit service requests

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MCAT Registration
Registration Dates: 2023 Testing Year

October 25-26, 2022
• January and March - June test dates

February 2023
(Date TBD)
• July - September test dates
2022 Fall Registration

OCTOBER 7 - Students can begin filling out profile information in the MCAT Registration System

• Contact and background information; review terms
• Look up locations of test centers
• Prescheduling for students testing with accommodations
• System closes at 10:00 a.m. ET on October 24

OCTOBER 25 and 26, NOON (ET) – Registration Opens!

• Waiting room feature activated
October 25 and 26 at noon ET
Test Day Policies and Important Information
# MCAT Essentials: More than Required Reading

## Registration Essentials
- How to register, reschedule, cancel
- Policies for deadlines, fees, and refunds
- Test attempt limits

## Test Day Essentials
- Defining an MCAT-Accepted ID and instructions on providing it properly on test day
- Test day procedures and rules
- Violations and investigations

## Post Exam Essentials
- Sending and receiving scores
- Reporting test day anomalies

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2023 MCAT Scheduling Fees

- Registration Fee - $330 ($135 for Fee Assistance – chart on right)
- International Fee - $120

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"Notify Me" Feature

If examinees are unable to find a seat at their preferred location and date, they can sign up to be notified via email if a seat becomes available.

- Available appointments are scheduled on a first come, first notified basis.

- Examinees may have up to five active notifications.

In 2022, over 20% of appointments were made through the "Notify Me" feature.
**What is an MCAT-Accepted ID?**

- Examinees whose IDs do not meet requirements will need to request an ID Exception no less than 3 days before the exam.
- Paper renewals and/or receipts will not be accepted for admission without an approved ID Exception.

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**RECOMMENDED**
The most common forms of ID are:

- State driver’s license (with all above requirements).
- Passport (with all above requirements).
- Passport card.
- Permanent resident card (green card).
- Canada health card (Ontario and British Columbia ONLY).
- Consular ID card.
- Canadian aviation card.

**NOT ACCEPTED**
Any single ID that does not fulfill the above requirements, even if issued by a government agency. This includes:

- Paper ID or ID application receipt of any kind.
- Credit card.
- Veterans ID (VIC).
- Birth certificate.
- Social security card.
- Virtual or digital ID.
- IDs with extension stickers or renewal paperwork, or ID application receipt of any kind, as we are unable to validate authenticity.
  - Exception: Military personnel and dependents stationed outside their home state may present a state-issued driver’s license with extension stickers or paperwork that meets all other MCAT-accepted ID conditions along with their unexpired Uniformed Services ID card.
How Often Can Students Test?

1 YEAR
- Up to 3 attempts in a testing year

2 YEARS
- Up to 4 attempts over 2 consecutive years

LIFETIME
- Up to 7 attempts in a lifetime

Voids and No-Show counts towards attempts
Test Day: 7 ½ Hours, 8:00 a.m. start

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*Total seated time does not include check-in time upon arrival at the test center.
Health & Safety

Health and Safety Protocols

- Continue to monitor conditions as we’ve done since the start of the pandemic
- Watching the course of the pandemic through the fall and local health and safety guidance.
- Will continue to encourage best practices

Knowing What to Expect

- Test center protocols are established by Pearson VUE and subject to change.
- Pearson VUE lookup tool on their website
  
  https://home.pearsonvue.com/coronavirus-update
Check-In Policies

- Government issued ID
- Test Day Photo
- Electronic signatures
- Palm vein scan
- Digital device bag
- Food and drink
Examinee Agreement

Why it’s important?
• Protects integrity of the Exam
• Ensures MCAT scores are reliable and valid, and ensures a fair registration process

Examples of previous violations?
• Using unauthorized materials (notes or devices)
• Proxy testing
• Posting test content online

What can happen?
• Canceled scores
• Report sent to schools
• Registration privileges suspended
Discussing the MCAT exam

Guidelines for Discussing the MCAT Exam

The AAMC has developed these guidelines to help examinees understand the terms under which you sit for the MCAT exam, the prohibition on disclosure of exam content, and how to appropriately share your exam experience.

When you register for the MCAT exam, you must agree to the Examinee Agreement, which is essentially a nondisclosure and terms of use agreement for the exam. The text of the agreement is provided in the MCAT® Essentials, which is required reading for all examinees. The agreement includes examples of prohibited conduct and the steps that AAMC may take to investigate any suspected violations.

In short, this means that when you discuss the MCAT exam:

- You may comment on your general exam experience such as test center conditions or how you felt about a particular section, such as the biological sciences section.
- You may NOT:
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Highlighting student experiences preparing for the MCAT exam

Testimonials

Taylor Sanders

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New in 2022

From Premed to Med
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From Premed to Med Student: Student Tips for Successfully Preparing for the MCAT Exam and Medical School
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2023 MCAT Testing Year Update for Examinees

2023 MCAT® Registration Opening Webinar

06 October 2022
3:00 p.m. ET

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https://aamcmedschoolfair.vfairs.com/en/
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