

Dear Students,

To ensure all students are aware of these important dates, we are sending this email to students who were invited to the <u>Visiting Student Learning Opportunities</u> (VSLO*) system by their Home institutions after July 1, 2024. **Please disregard this message if it no longer applies to you.**

The scheduled VSLO system closure is currently underway as we work to migrate institution data to our new VSLO platform.

As you know, we had planned to provide access to the modernized platform on Dec. 15 to students who received an invitation from their Home institutions. However, due to the complexity of the data transfer, we have made the necessary decision to delay the new VSLO system launch to ensure the best performance for our users. **The system is now scheduled to launch Monday, Jan. 12 for Home and Host institution users, and students will have access beginning Tuesday, Jan. 20.**

We recognize the urgency that you may feel regarding timely access to the VSLO platform. While we regret postponing the launch date, we know <u>based on data from the most recent academic year</u> that this is a quieter time before the majority of Host institutions open their catalogs and students access the VSLO application service.

Students with applications to electives impacted by the adjusted timeframe should reach out to their Home and Host institutional points of contact. <u>Please contact the AAMC Support Center</u> if you need assistance identifying those contacts.

The VSLO team will hold student trainings in late January and early February to review the modernized VSLO system and support you as you begin the application process. Training dates and registration information will be posted later this month on the <u>VSLO Student</u> page. The VSLO program will also be collaborating with the AAMC Group on Student Affairs (GSA) on a webinar, *Navigating Away Rotations: Understanding the Advantages and Maximizing the Benefits*, on Tuesday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. ET. Registration for this webinar is now open.

We encourage you to review the <u>VSLO Student Checklist</u> to learn more about the steps that are part of the application process.



Thank you for your patience during this transition as we continue our work to support your medical education journey.

Sincerely,

The AAMC VSLO Team

About the VSLO Program

The AAMC Visiting Student Learning Opportunities[™] (VSLO*) program enables medical and public health students to pursue short-term learning opportunities in locations away from their Home institutions.

Please contact the <u>AAMC Support Center</u> or call 202-478-9878 if you have any questions. Representatives are available Monday – Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET.