Tufts University School of Medicine

**Required / Recommended Premedical Coursework >> Additional courses required or recommended by this medical school**

**New Text:** English: Competency in spoken and written English. English literature coursework is not required. As an example, completing a bachelor’s degree in an English speaking college or university demonstrates this competency. Laboratory: Competency in laboratory skills equivalent to two years of laboratory course work. Usually acquired in the laboratory sections of biology and chemistry courses. Laboratory experience in other settings, including employment settings, is also acceptable. Applicants are generally expected to take the laboratory component of undergraduate science courses when available.

**Old Text:**

**Campus Life >> Housing**

**New Text:** TUSM students live both on and off-campus. Posner Hall Dormitory is located on the Health Sciences Campus and offers a limited number of housing opportunities to Medical School students, Graduate Programs students, and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences students. More information on Posner Hall Dormitory can be found here:https://medicine.tufts.edu/student-life/life-campus/housing-dining/posner-hall-dormitory The Office for Student Affairs (OSA) provides assistance to students at the Boston Health Sciences Campus in finding off-campus housing. They provide access to listings of available housing opportunities and general information about the Greater Boston housing market. https://medicine.tufts.edu/student-community/housing-dining

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**Campus Life >> Campus culture**

**New Text:** Ask students what the community is like at Tufts School of Medicine, and you’ll hear things like friendly, collaborative, inclusive, and diverse. We pride ourselves on being a place where students work hard but always feel supported, where they’ll connect with classmates who become friends and colleagues for life. To learn more please visit: https://medicine.tufts.edu/student-life/life-campus

**Old Text:**

**Campus Life >> Diversity programs**

**New Text:** Tufts University School of Medicine embraces diversity in the broadest form, including racial, ethnic, religious, socioeconomic, geographic diversity, as well as diversity in gender and sexual orientation. We believe that a diverse student body is essential for the creation of a teaching and learning environment that promotes excellence, quality and equity as core values among our future physicians, scientists and public health advocates, a workforce equipped with the knowledge and skill needed to address the range of health challenges facing our increasingly diverse patient population and their communities. To learn more please visit: https://medicine.tufts.edu/administration/multicultural-affairs

**Old Text:** Diversity and inclusion are central to the educational mission of Tufts University. We foster excellence in our research, teaching and scholarship and encourage and support engaged and active citizenship that underscores a desire to make the world a better place. To do this we value a learning community of women and men of different races, ethnicities, religions, geographic origins, socioeconomic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identity and expression, ages, personal characteristics, and interests where differences are understood and respected. https://medicine.tufts.edu/administration/multicultural-affairs

**Campus Life >> Wellness programs or resources available for students at your medical school**

**New Text:** Medical school is a time of tremendous excitement, challenge and growth. We aim to help you balance your personal needs with your professional obligations and to help guide you towards making good choices that will sustain you throughout medical school and during your future career. Medical student well-being at Tufts has several components including those that are woven into the curriculum, those that are “co-curricular” and components that are entirely extracurricular in nature. We hope you will take advantage of the many programs and offerings we have including emotional support through our free, confidential counseling program (both in person on the Boston campus and by phone when you’re on rotations), our robust Wellness Offerings from our Office of Student Wellness (including wellness breaks, hikes, stress-less week, nutrition on the fly and many more), our curricular program (Practical Approaches to Wellness), our peer-led mindfulness program (COMPASS), our Healer’s Art elective (for first-year students) and both formal/informal meetings with members of our student affairs and educational affairs staff. https://medicine.tufts.edu/student-life/wellness/md-student-wellness-support TUSM offers robust Health and Mental Health Resources for students. Please see the following link for more information: https://medicine.tufts.edu/student-life/wellness/health-mental-health-resources

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View [AMCAS Categorization](https://students-residents.aamc.org/applying-medical-school-amcas/amcas-course-classification-guide)

* **Biology | Required**

6 Credit Hours ( Lab Required )

BIOL

Full year of introductory or advanced biology coursework. Any courses offered by the biology department for science majors are acceptable. Note: Competency in Mendelian genetics as well as cell and molecular biology is required. This is usually acquired in introductory biology courses. Upper level courses in genetics and/or cell and molecular biology are helpful but not required. (Note: Coursework that fulfills the biology prerequisite requirement may also be used to fulfill the competency requirement, if applicable.)

* Pass/Fail

Not Accepted

* AP

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* Online

Case-By-Case

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* **Chemistry | Required**

12 Credit Hours ( Lab Required )

CHEM

Two years of chemistry coursework that includes at least one semester course in general chemistry and one semester course in organic chemistry. A semester course in biochemistry is highly recommended and may count towards the two year total. Examples (in semesters): 2 general + 2 organic, or 2 general + 1 organic + 1 biochemistry, or 1 general + 2 organic + 1 biochemistry

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Applicants with AP credit in chemistry must present at least a year and a half of college chemistry coursework that includes at least one semester course in organic chemistry.

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* **Statistics | Required**

3 Credit Hours (No Lab )

MATH

Competency in the basic concepts of statistics. May be acquired through an introductory course in statistics, as a topic in a science or social science course, or through experience with a research project.

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* **Physics | Required**

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PHYS

A semester of physics coursework. Any course offered by the physics department for science majors is acceptable. AP credit will not count for your physics requirement. However, the requirement can be satisfied by completing a course where physics was a prerequisite or completing an advanced course that incorporates physics (e.g. physical chemistry or engineering course). You should document this information with an explanation on your secondary application.

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