Physicians are licensed to perform medical examinations, diagnose illnesses, treat people suffering from disease or injury and advise patients on how to maintain good health. They may be general practitioners or specialists and may combine medical practice with research and/or teach in medical schools.

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(Additional medicine links are located on the "Resources" page. Scroll
down to “Explore Even More,” click on “Health Professions Links” and select “Medicine.”

Degree

M.D.

Program Length

4 years, plus training (1-7 years) in area of specialization.

Professional Schools' Organization

- AAMC (Association of American Medical Colleges)
- Allopathic Medical Schools
- LCME Medical School Directory
- Medical School Database (Princeton Review)
- U.S. and Canadian Medical School List

Application Service

- AMCAS (American Medical College Application Service)
- AMCAS Medical School Application Deadlines
- Fee Assistance Program (FAP)
- OMSAS (Ontario Medical Schools Application Service)
- TMDSAS (Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service)

Academic Admission Requirements

1 year each: Biology, General Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Math (through calculus), Physics, English.
1 semester each: Statistics (any department), Psychology, Sociology.
Links to prerequisites for each U.S. allopathic medical school are found at the bottom of the Choosing Your Courses page (select “Course Requirements of the U.S. Allopathic Medical Schools”).

Admission Exam

MCAT (Medical College Admission Test)

Personal Attributes & Experiences

Integrity, responsibility, leadership, social maturity, purpose, motivation, initiative, curiosity, common sense, perseverance and breadth of interests; humanitarian concern; understanding of profession developed through experiences in health care settings, especially clinical, talking to health professions, reading the literature, exposure to undergraduate research.

Recommendation Letters

Health Professions Committee letter (usually confidential) sent with additional individual letters of support.