

Choosing Schools: Top-Ranked Schools

Top-Ranked Primary Care U.S. Medical Schools

North Carolina Chapel Hill

UC San Francisco

Washington (Seattle)

Baylor

Michigan (Ann Arbor)

Virginia

Oregon

UC Davis

Colorado

Harvard

UC Los Angeles

Maryland

Nebraska

UPenn

Minnesota

Rochester

Wisconsin (Madison)

Dartmouth

Indiana (Indianapolis)

Johns Hopkins

Iowa

Utah

Chicago Pritzker

Emory

Duke

UC San Diego

UMass (Worcester)

Texas Southwestern

Stanford

Columbia

Vanderbilt

Washington U (St. Louis)

Alabama (Birmingham)

Brown

New York University

Northwestern

Weill Cornell

Mayo

Ohio State

UConn

Kansas

Albert Einstein

Boston University

Cincinnati

Vermont

Florida

Southern California (Keck)

Eastern Virginia
Virginia Commonwealth
Yale

Ranking schools can be very arbitrary and misleading (see [Choosing Schools](#)). However, criteria such as the percentage of graduates going into Primary Care or the amount of federal (NIH) grants received to support research can be useful in the overall process of exploring what different schools may have to offer.

Schools that reported GPAs or MCAT scores that were roughly one standard deviation below the mean for all schools are listed below. It is essential to emphasize the relatively narrow range of scores, and that many of the schools on this list could be a perfect match for you based on factors other than GPA or MCAT scores. Nevertheless, a useful way to think about this list is to make sure that you investigate and think about applying to at least some of these schools, assuming you can meet their residency (if any) requirements.

Schools whose GPA or MCAT scores were discernibly lower than the national average

Albany
Arkansas
California Northstate
California U. of Science and Medicine
Carle Illinois
Central Michigan
Chicago Medical
Del Caribe
East Carolina
Eastern Virginia
Florida State
Geisinger Commonwealth
Howard
Kentucky
LSU Shreveport
Marshall
Meharry
Mercer
Michigan State
Mississippi
Missouri Kansas City
Morehouse
New Mexico
New York Medical
North Dakota
Northeast Ohio
Ponce
Puerto Rico
Quinnipiac
San Juan Bautista
TCU & UNTHSC
Texas Rio Grande
Tulane
UC Davis

UC Riverside
Vermont
Virginia Tech
Washington State
Wright State

Please note that in the above analyses of admissions criteria, neither MCAT nor GPA data were available for the following schools:

City University of New York
University of Houston
Kaiser Permanente

It is absolutely essential that you are aware of residency requirements and preferences given to in-state applicants. The following list orders schools according to the percentage of the enrolling class comprised by in-state applicants, extending from 100% to greater than 80%. Be aware that although residency requirements may apply, there is a wide range in the stringency of such requirements. Even if you do not meet the residency requirements of a school in which you are interested, it is worth looking into what you have to do to meet those requirements.

Schools whose percentage of the 2019 matriculating class comprised by in-state applicants was greater than 80%

UC Riverside 100%
Mercer 100%
Southern Illinois 100%
Mississippi 100%
CUNY 100%
East Carolina 100%
UC Davis 98%
MC Georgia 97%
Texas Galveston 97%
Florida State 97%
Texas Rio Grande 96%
New Mexico 96%
Puerto Rico 94%
Texas A&M 94%
Texas Austin 94%
Washington State 94%
Oklahoma 93%
Texas Houston 93%
LSU New Orleans 92%
Arkansas 91%
California Northstate 91%
East Tennessee 90%
LSU Shreveport 90%
Nevada Reno 90%
SUNY Downstate 90%
Texas Tech 89%
Texas Tech El Paso 89%
Tennessee 89%

Del Caribe 89%
Kentucky 89%
Nevada Las Vegas 88%
South Alabama 88%
MU South Carolina 88%
Florida 88%
North Carolina 87%
Kansas 87%
Nebraska 86%
Texas Southwestern 86%
Texas San Antonio 86%
Missouri-Columbia 86%
UC Irvine 86%
Alabama 85%
Minnesota 85%
Hawaii 84%
California U. of Science and Medicine 84%
Northeast Ohio 83%
South Dakota 83%
Buffalo 83%
Central Michigan 83%
Keck USC 82%
Florida International 81%
New Jersey 81%