

Minnesota medical schools are U of M-Minneapolis, U of M-Duluth, and Mayo at Rochester. Requirements vary from medical school to medical school and students should consult the medical schools they are interested in to insure completion of all requirements, for application deadline dates, and admission criteria. Mayo in particular is highly competitive. *In addition to the Liberal Education and premajor requirements, students must satisfy the High School Preparation requirements. See the H. S. requirements sheet with the U of M transfer guides.

"Pre-med" is a core of courses taken, rather than a major. There is no "best" or required major for medical school admission. While about a third of the successful applicants are biology majors; the remainders have majored in a wide variety of areas. All of the Minnesota Medical Schools require a bachelor's degree before the student begins medical school.

PRE-REQUISITES:

Regardless of a student's bachelor's degree major the following courses are required for admission:

Required courses	Semesters	Quarters
<i>Biology with lab</i> (Biol 1041 recommended)	one semester	One quarter
<i>Chemistry with lab</i> (Chem 1041 recommended)	one semester	One quarter
<i>Additional courses in the life sciences: biology, genetics, zoology, botany, parasitology, etc, biochemistry and/or physics</i>	4 semesters <u>(Two of the four must be at upper division level)</u>	4 quarters
<i>Humanities or Social Sciences</i> <i>One upper-level course in the humanities or the social sciences, with an intensive writing requirement</i>	1 semester <u>(upper-division)</u>	1 quarter

Recommended Courses: (optimal preparation for the curriculum)

Biochemistry

Ethics

Genetics

Psychology

Statistics

Foreign language

Independent learning courses: Seminar-type courses involving small group discussions

Social and behavioral sciences and humanities

Pre-med students should take the necessary courses to prepare for the MCAT:

Biology and Organic Chemistry

General Chemistry and Physics

Critical thinking and writing skills

Detailed information can be found at <http://www.meded.umn.edu/admissions/prospective.php>

Or by emailing meded@umn.edu

RESOURCES:

To apply for Medical School at the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis, you must apply through AMCAS (American Medical College Application Services). The address is:

American Medical Colleges Application Services (AMCAS)
2501 N. Street NW
LBBY-26
Washington, DC 20037-1300
202-828-0600

Website: <http://www.aamc.org/stuapps/admiss/amcas/start.htm>

Applications submitted under this process are the majority, and are [submitted to AMCAS](#) between June 1 and November 15 each year. The applicant arranges to take the [Medical College Admissions Test \(MCAT\)](#) no later than September of the year prior to matriculation. Scores from the MCAT are submitted to AMCAS. These scores, along with the applicant's academic record, a personal statement, and biographical information constitute the primary AMCAS application. Official transcripts from the registrar of each college or university attended must be sent to AMCAS for verification. When the national application service has verified an applicant's course work, the primary AMCAS application is transmitted to the medical school(s) designated by the applicant. You should be aware, if you are a non-resident of Minnesota, that in order to be considered by this medical school, your MCAT scores should exceed the national average. The address for the MCAT is: **MCAT Program Office, PO BOX 4056, Iowa City, IA 52243-4056, 319/337-1357, Website: <http://www.aamc.org/stuapps/admiss/mcat/start.htm>**

For a current list of publications available to assist you with Medical School admissions, contact: **Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), 2450 N. Street NW, Washington, DC 20037-1126, 202-828-0400, Website:<http://www.aamc.org/students/start.htm>**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- All prerequisite courses must be completed and a bachelor's degree earned by July 1st of the year of matriculation
- These course requirements CANNOT be fulfilled with CLEP credits
- These course requirements CANNOT be fulfilled by AP credits. Those who received AP credit for courses such as general chemistry or biology still will need one semester of chemistry and biology with labs. This can be an advanced chemistry, organic chemistry, or any advanced biology course. Do not re-take coursework for which you already received AP credit
- International applicants should refer to the [Policy for International Applicants](#) for specific information on degree and course requirements: <http://www.meded.umn.edu/admissions/international.php>.
- All science prerequisites should be completed before taking the MCAT.
- Admissions is highly competitive; it is recommended that students apply to several medical schools.
- U of M Medical School **considers grades in all courses. Repeated courses are not averaged.**
- All science/math **and prerequisite** courses **should** be taken A-F.
- U of MN-Minneapolis 612-625-7977 <http://www.meded.umn.edu/admissions/>
- U of MN-Duluth 218-726-8511 www.med.umn.edu/duluth/admissions
- Rochester Mayo 507-538-4897 www.mayo.edu/mms/md-admissions.html

PROFILE OF ENTERING CLASS- University of Minnesota Medical School - Minneapolis

First-year medical school vital stats: Class of 2008

- Total applicants: 3,212
- Total selected: 170
- Minnesota residents: 140
- Non-residents: 30
- Female: 78 Male: 92
- Mean age: 24 yrs
- Overall GPA: 3.7