

## **Application Criteria**

### **What information should be included with my ERAS application?**

The following items are required with each application submitted for residency:

- Transcript from medical school
- Dean's letter
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Personal statement
- Curriculum vitae/resume
- Record of other graduate medical experience, if applicable
- USMLE or COMLEX Scores
- ECFMG certificate, if foreign medical graduate
- Foreign medical graduates must graduate from an approved school as determined by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners

### **Am I required to have my Step 2 (COMLEX or USMLE) score prior to interview?**

Applicants are not required to have their Step 2 scores prior to the interview. However, applicants are required to have their Step 2 scores prior to January 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Is there a minimum USMLE/COMLEX score for applying?**

We do not have a minimum USMLE/COMLEX score. Each application is reviewed in its entirety for overall academic excellence, leadership ability, career development potential and personal character. Invitations are made based on a combination of factors, including USMLE scores, recommendation letters, clinical experience, and research.

### **Does your program accept non-US applicants (IMGs)?**

- Our program does consider non-US applicants. The following information serves as a guideline for those applicants:
- All applications should be sent through ERAS
- Evidence of clinic experience in U.S. is preferred
- IMG candidates should have passed USMLE Step 1 and 2.
- IMG candidates must hold a valid certificate issued by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) to be appointed as a resident
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident of the U.S., or possess a valid visa
- The program will sponsor J-1 Visa on a select basis (H-1B visas cannot be supported)

### **Is there a cutoff date for the medical degree?**

We prefer completion of medical school within the last 3 years.

**Does your program offer shadowing or observerships?**

At this time our program does not offer observership opportunities.

**Interviews**

Our application deadline is December 31st; applications received after this deadline will not be considered. Applications will only be accepted through ERAS. All intern positions will be filled through the National Residency Matching Program (NRMP).

Once candidates have been selected for an interview, they will be invited via ERAS and allowed to schedule their interview. Interviews are held in October and end in January. Interview dates will be communicated in the invitation to interview.

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