

UC IRVINE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

POSTBACCALAUREATE PROGRAM



Mission

The UC Irvine School of Medicine Postbaccalaureate Program is designed to assist disadvantaged applicants in gaining acceptance to medical school, with the ultimate goal of increasing the number of physicians in underserved areas.

While in the Program students are provided with an environment to: strengthen their learning skills; show proficiency in the sciences; prepare for the MCAT exam; and become a more competitive applicant who successfully gains admission to medical school.

Eligibility Requirements

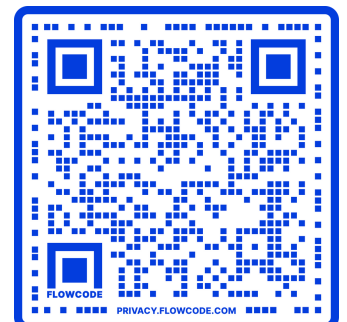
To be eligible for the Postbaccalaureate Program, successful candidates must:

- Be a California resident
- Be considered disadvantaged*
- Possess an undergraduate degree from an accredited U.S. college or university
- Have a minimum cumulative and science GPA of 2.8
- Have completed the following requirements for medical school:
 - Biology: 1 year (including a minimum of one upper-division course)
 - Chemistry: 1 year general chemistry & 1 year organic chemistry
 - Physics: 1 year
- If a re-applicant, must have a minimum composite MCAT score of 492
- Have a demonstrated record of service to the underserved
- Have not previously matriculated at a medical school
- Submit an application with all supporting documents by the final application deadline

*A disadvantaged individual is one who, from an early age, resided in a low-income community or experienced enduring family, societal or other hardships that significantly compromised their educational opportunities.



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Program Overview

One-year premedical academic enhancement program:

- Full-time enrollment in two upper-division biology courses (8 units) in summer session I and II
- Full-time enrollment (12 units) in fall and winter quarters

Students will complete a total of 40 quarter units and are expected to maintain a 3.5 GPA or higher in their courses. Students will have the opportunity to:

- Implement new learning skills and study habits
- Enhance time management skills
- Demonstrate the academic mastery required for medical school

Professional Development

- Mock interviews with current medical students
- Quarterly mentor meetings with current medical students
- Individualized professional academic counseling support throughout program
- Stress, time-management and nutrition workshops
- Application preparation workshop and personalized feedback on application and admissions process
- Ultrasound and simulation training

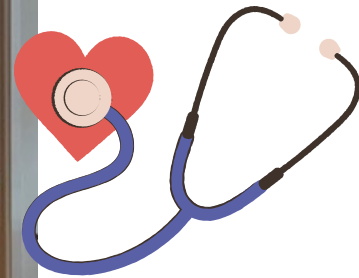
MCAT Preparation

Phase 1: Fall quarter

- Concurrent enrollment in a 10-week MCAT critical reasoning skills enrichment course along with full-time undergraduate coursework

Phase 2: Spring quarter

- After winter quarter coursework is complete, students focus solely on preparing for the MCAT exam
- Students complete a diagnostic and several practice MCAT exams while enrolled in a full-time, intensive MCAT preparation course
- Access to several online and hard-copy instructional resources



Application Process

The UC Irvine Postbaccalaureate Program, along with other CA medical school programs, are part of a consortium. The consortium uses a joint online application and a centralized service for all application materials. This allows applicants to apply to various programs on different CA campuses.

The online application is available each year beginning in January.

The online application and instructions can be found on the *California Postbaccalaureate Consortium* website at: <https://health.ucdavis.edu/postbacc-consortium/>

Applicants must complete an online application and submit all supporting materials to the centralized service by the final deadline:

Letters of recommendation

Official transcripts for all college level coursework

If a re-applicant, a copy of your processed AMCAS application