FAU COLLEGE OF MEDICINE BACHELOR’S/MD PROGRAM
EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate Expectations and Requirements

Bachelor’s/MD program students are expected to finish each undergraduate semester with a GPA of at least 3.7. Single semester GPA’s lower than 3.7 will trigger an automatic review by the Bachelor’s/MD Program Committee of the student’s continuation in the program. Although there is no semester requirement for a science (BCPM) GPA, the science GPA for promotion/admission to the College of Medicine (after three years) is 3.7.

All students must, at all times during their undergraduate enrollment, adhere to and exhibit the high moral and ethical values of one entrusted with the privilege of studying and practicing medicine. Failure to do so may be cause for dismissal from the program. Students who are dismissed from the program or who wish to leave the program may continue their enrollment at FAU provided they meet applicable eligibility requirements.

In addition to the requirements stated above, all students in the program are expected to participate in: (i) items 1-4 below during each semester that they are enrolled, and (ii) after the completion of their first year of undergraduate study, at least one of the items noted in items 5-7 below during each semester that they are enrolled. These experiences are semester-long activities and may not be accomplished in less time.

1. A specialized pre-health course (ex: Intro to Pre-Professional Studies, Basic Clinical Skills, Medical Internship)
2. Experience in the medical field (hospital, clinic, hospice, physician’s office but not with parents, relatives or parent’s friends)
3. Community health volunteer (migrant farm workers, homeless, socioeconomically disadvantaged, underserved populations)
4. Laboratory research (with faculty in Science or Medicine)
5. Medically related employment (work-study, hospital, research, commercial)
6. Study abroad/teach abroad/volunteer abroad in health care setting
7. Standardized Patient Program

An advisor will meet with each student after every semester to review and make sure that their activities satisfy the requirements above.
Students may not enter the College of Medicine in fewer than three (3) years following their matriculation into the undergraduate program, absent specific authorization and prior approval from the College of Medicine Admissions Committee. In no case may students delay their entry to the College of Medicine by more than one year after completion of the undergraduate program.

**Expectations and Requirements for Admission to the College of Medicine**

Students must successfully complete the admissions process in order to be considered for admission to the College of Medicine. The admissions process includes completing and submitting the following documents and meeting the requirements noted below:

1. Verified AMCAS application (including personal statement and letters of recommendation)
2. Complete FAUCOM Secondary Application
3. Complete a mandatory online computer-based Situational Judgment Test known as CASPer™ and achieve a score no less than the minimum set by the College of Medicine Admissions Office for that entering class
4. Letter of recommendation from the FAU Pre-health Professions Committee
5. MCAT composite score minimum: 510
6. Cumulative undergraduate average of 3.7 and a science GPA of at least 3.7 (both determined by AMCAS)
7. Completed applications must be submitted to AMCAS no later than September 15th.

In addition to the documentation and requirements noted above, all students must be interviewed and accepted by the College of Medicine Admissions Committee. Furthermore, students are only offered an interview if all the above requirements are met. Enrollment in the Bachelor’s/MD program does not guarantee admission to the College of Medicine. The Admissions Committee may, at its sole discretion, accept a Bachelor’s/MD program student or, alternatively, require a Bachelor’s/MD program student to take additional coursework in a post-baccalaureate or graduate program prior to re-applying to the College of Medicine. The Admissions Committee may also dismiss the student from the Bachelor’s/MD program and deny admission to the College of Medicine at its sole discretion. As required by the College’s accrediting organization, the final responsibility for accepting all students to the medical school rests with the College’s formally constituted Admissions Committee.

If admitted to the College of Medicine, Bachelor’s/MD program students are subject to the same requirements, responsibilities and privileges as all other medical students. Among the forms that must be completed prior to matriculation are: 1) immunization form, 2) health form, 3) health/disability insurance forms, and 4) Florida residency statement, as applicable. All Florida residency documents must be submitted in advance of matriculation so that a residency determination can be made for tuition
assessment. Bachelor’s/MD program students are eligible for the same types of financial assistance offered to all other medical students.

Students must complete their Bachelor’s degree with their undergraduate college prior to matriculation into the College of Medicine. The MD degree will be awarded by the Schmidt College of Medicine after satisfactory completion of the MD curriculum.