

## Allopathic, Osteopathic and Podiatric School Application Services

MCAT Website: <https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/mcat/>

Application Service	Application Dates	Application Deadlines	Application and Sending Fees	Additional Information
<b>AMCAS –</b> American Medical College Application Service (Allopathic Medicine, M.D.)	June 10: Application opens  June 28: Submission of data to medical schools	August 1- Early Decision Program  Application deadline varies by school  Approximately 141 schools	-\$160 to apply through AMCAS and send application materials to one school  -Additional schools are \$36 each -Secondary application fee range from \$25 to \$100	-Score is automatically released into AMCAS and will be sent to school(s) of choice  -AMCAS process: Repeated courses are averaged, both grades are factored into the GPA calculations  -More information at: <a href="https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/amcas/">https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/amcas/</a>
<b>AACOMAS –</b> American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (Osteopathic Medicine, D.O.)	May: Application opens  June: Application processing begins	Early Decision Programs-vary depending on school  Application deadline varies by school  Approximately 30 colleges in 42 locations	-\$195 to apply through AACOMAS and send application materials to one school  -Additional schools are \$35 each	-Must have MCAT send score to AACOMAS  -AACOMAS factors in only the most recent grade earned in repeated courses  -More Information at: <a href="http://www.aacom.org/InfoFor/applicants/">http://www.aacom.org/InfoFor/applicants/</a>
<b>AACPMAS –</b> American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine Application Service (Podiatry, D.P.M.)	Early August: Application opens	April 1- Priority deadline  June 30- Final deadline  9 programs	-\$160 to apply through AACPMAS and send application to one school -Additional application costs:  2 schools = \$175 3 schools = \$230 4 schools=\$265 5 schools=\$300 6 schools= \$335 7 schools=\$370 8 schools=\$405 9 schools=\$440	-One online application allows you to apply to all 9 National Podiatric Schools  -Must have MCAT send score to AACPMAS  -AACPMAS process: Repeated courses are averaged, all grades are factored into the GPA calculations  -All science classes are considered in the science GPA  -More information at: <a href="http://www.e-aacpmas.org/">http://www.e-aacpmas.org/</a>

\*These dates and prices shift slightly each year. Be sure to check the application service website for accurate information.

\*Submit application EARLY and submit all materials and transcripts at least 6 weeks before application deadline.

## MCAT Exam Information

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Admission Test	Content	Preparation	When and Where	Scoring and Sending	Registration Fees
<p>MCAT – Medical College Admission Test</p>	<p>Standardized, multiple choice test including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Physical Sciences (PS)</li> <li>-Verbal Reasoning (VR)</li> <li>-Biological Sciences (BS)</li> <li>--May have trial section for testing and developing new questions</li> </ul> <p>The passages and questions are predetermined; therefore do not change depending on the performance of the test taker.</p> <p>*New test and scoring will begin with March 2015 testing</p>	<p>Coursework recommended taking prior to the exam:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-1 year of biology</li> <li>-1 year of English</li> <li>-1 year of General Chemistry</li> <li>-1 year of Organic Chemistry</li> <li>-1-2 courses in biochemistry</li> <li>-Introductory Psychology</li> <li>-Introductory Sociology</li> </ul> <p>Visit: <a href="http://www.aamc.org/students/Preparing/mcat/preparing">http://www.aamc.org/students/Preparing/mcat/preparing</a></p> <p>For:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-What is on the exam</li> <li>-Self Assessment</li> <li>-Study Plan</li> <li>-Practice Tests</li> </ul> <p>Apply through an application service(s) to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Apply to M.D., D.O. and podiatric programs</li> <li>- Be informed of deadlines for applying to Application Service and specific programs</li> </ul>	<p>Testing dates offered in January, and March through September</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-No minimum waiting period to retest</li> <li>-May take exam up to three times per year</li> <li>-Reserve a seat early</li> </ul> <p>-Locations in Iowa: West Des Moines Iowa City Sioux City Bettendorf</p>	<p>The scoring scales changing in March 2015.</p> <p>Currently scores are: 1 through 45; recommended minimum MCAT for MD and DO programs is a 28+</p> <p>No penalty for wrong answers so it is always best to guess.</p> <p><b>Starting March 2015:</b> There will be five scores for the MCAT, one for each section and one combined total.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Chemical &amp; Physical Foundations of Biological Systems</li> <li>-Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills</li> <li>-Biological and Biochemical Foundations of Living Systems</li> <li>-Psychological, Social and Biological Foundations of Behavior</li> </ul> <p>Each section will be given a score of 118 to 132, with 125 being the midpoint.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-\$275 for registration</li> <li>-\$75 fee for late registration</li> <li>-\$90 fee for change of date</li> <li>-\$90 for change of testing center</li> <li>-Fee assistance program for those in financial need</li> <li>-Additional fees for various application services</li> </ul>