**Michigan Medical Schools Statements - Update w Website content**

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As of 7/7/2020, all medical schools in the state of Michigan have indicated that they will be accepting online coursework including labs for courses taken during Summer and Fall 2020. Please see below for additional college specific updates.

Central Michigan University College of Medicine

* MCAT Policy
  + The Central Michigan College of Medicine encourages all applicants to apply as early as possible, even if your MCAT test date was cancelled on or before March 27, 2020 as a result of COVID-19. We plan to continue utilizing our rolling admissions policy and will accept and evaluate applications for secondary application invites without MCAT scores. In addition, we will base our interview decisions on a holistic review of your entire application, however a final admissions decision will not be made without an MCAT score on file. If MCAT testing sites do not open in time for us to receive scores and admit our first round of applicants on October 15, we will reevaluate the situation and update our policy at that time.
* Coursework Policy
  + As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, many colleges and universities have offered students a pass/fail or credit/no credit option. We want all future Central Michigan University College of Medicine applicants to know that we will allow pass/fail or credit/no credit grades for any coursework taken during the impacted time frame, including prerequisite coursework. While we believe that academic coursework is an important component of your preparation for medical school, we don’t believe that an applicant’s total body of academic preparation should be negatively impacted by the disruptions caused by the COVID-19 outbreak.

Michigan State University College of Human Medicine – **REVISED 7/7/2020**

* We would highly recommend students who are or will be applying to CHM to check out our website regularly for updates. We will be updating and having several webinars throughout the semester.
* 2020 MCAT
  + We understand and empathize with those who’s scheduling of the MCAT exam have also been disrupted. Rest assured that CHM Admissions remains in close contact with the AAMC MCAT team and are impressed with their responsiveness and commitment to making sure that everyone who wants to take an MCAT exam for the upcoming cycle will be able to do so. Please monitor [MCAT and coronavirus updates](https://students-residents.aamc.org/applying-medical-school/article/coronavirus-mcat-faqs/) and additional test-taking times/dates throughout the summer.
  + If future MCAT testing dates are added into the fall months, CHM Admissions will accept scores from any exam date extended into October and November.
* Coursework
  + The challenge for medical school admissions committees is that accurate and specific information is always preferred. When committees are faced with ambiguity, their bias may factor a “Pass” grade on par with a “C/D” or “2.0/1.0” rather than a higher grade. So, if you have an option to proceed with a letter grade for prerequisite coursework, many schools (including the College of Human Medicine) would prefer this option.
  + For those of you in which a Pass/Fail or Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grade is rendered for any of these courses, CHM will work with you and screen your application without bias. But since we require matriculants to demonstrate prerequisite coursework performance at a “C/2.0” grade or higher, all who interview need to be prepared to have their home institution (course instructor or department chair) provide written verification that the Passing or Satisfactory grade met this standard at the time the course was disrupted (see form link below).

Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine – **REVISED 7/7/2020**

* MCAT
  + We continue to monitor the situation with MCAT testing availability. Currently, the AAMC is committed to providing an opportunity to every applicant who wishes to take the test this cycle. At this time, we do not plan to waive our requirement of the MCAT for applicants in the 2021 cycle.
* Coursework
  + We will continue to accept online coursework but would encourage students to take these courses at their home institutions.
  + We understand that, due to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, many students will receive pass/fail grades for winter/spring 2020 courses. We assure future applicants that we will accept pass/fail coursework for any courses impacted by this situation. This holds both in cases where pass/fail is mandated by your institution and also in cases of individual choice.

Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine

* MCAT
  + We are discussing our options regarding what changes might be made to processing applications in the upcoming application cycle. As I'm sure you heard on the webinar, AAMC is adding more testing dates and times, as well as expediting the release of scores. Before we make any final decisions, we're gathering additional information from AAMC and are hoping to see how the launch of AAMC's plan for the MCAT goes on May 7th.
  + Once we've made a final decision, we'll be sure to communicate with pre-health advisors, prospective students, as well as update our website. What you can assure your students of is applying to OUWB without a score will not negatively impact their application status.
* Coursework
  + OUWB does not have required coursework so P/N will not be an issue.

University of Michigan Medical School

* MCAT
  + The University of Michigan Medical School continues to encourage all applicants to apply as early as possible, even if your MCAT test date was cancelled on or before March 27, 2020 as a result of COVID-19, as our rolling admissions policy is still in effect. We will accept and evaluate applications without MCAT scores. We will base our interview decisions on a holistic review of the entire application, however a final admissions decision will not be made without an MCAT score on file. If MCAT testing sites do not open to sufficient capacity in time for us to receive scores and admit our first round of applicants on October 15, we will reevaluate the situation at that time.
* Coursework
  + Online courses will be fine with us. We are trying to make the process less stressful as much as we can.
  + GPA is only one factor used in assessing an applicant’s file. The University of Michigan Medical School has always accepted a limited number of pass/fail grades, however due to unforeseen challenges and restrictions many applicants have faced due to COVID-19, we are willing to more liberally accept pass/fail grades for the 2020-21 application cycle.

Wayne State University School of Medicine – **REVISED 7/7/2020**

* MCAT
  + Applications will be accepted from individuals who were unable to take the MCAT due to COVID-related test cancellations. For these candidates, we will base decisions on the information that is available to us at the time of the application. Assuming that MCAT testing resumes prior to October, we will require applicants to have taken the MCAT before we make admissions decisions for the Class of 2025. Accordingly, applicants should not delay applying simply because an MCAT score is not yet available.
  + Phone call - AK indicated they do not plan to move students through to secondaries w/out MCAT (??)
* Coursework
  + We now strongly recommend but do not require labs (effective for 2021 entering class). We understand that online coursework is the way many classes will be taught. As long as they are taking the courses at their home institution, then we will accept.
  + P/F, CR/NC can be selected for non-prerequisite coursework.

Western Michigan Homer M. Stryker School of Medicine

* MCAT
  + We are planning to offer supplemental applications to applicants with a 3.0 GPA instead of our previous 3.0 GPA AND 497 MCAT.
* Coursework
  + We’re also fine with P/F during this time. WMed doesn’t have any pre-requisite courses – we have recommendations. Our goal is for students to be as prepared as possible to begin medical school and encourage applicants to look for upper division hard science courses that will challenge them and prepare them for medical school. Under normal circumstances, I do encourage taking the course for a grade.
* Other
  + We are planning to add an optional essay to our supplemental application regarding COVID19 impact.