Post-baccalaureate Readiness Instruction for bioMedical Education

Thinking beyond the possible

Your Medical School Journey Starts Here
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In a world of increasingly competitive medical school admissions, Case Western Reserve University’s Post-Baccalaureate Readiness Instruction for Biomedical Education (PRIME) is here to give your application an edge.

Whether you are looking to boost your admissions prospects or change careers entirely, we offer the individualized support you need to build a strong foundation for your medical school studies and set you up for career success.

The right path for you

From our MCAT prep course to our interactive and student-directed Clinical Inquiry courses, you’ll be exposed to medical terminology, clinical reasoning and professional growth opportunities.

You’ll also have access to workshops and seminars on a variety of topics, including writing effective personal statements and selecting and applying to medical school. Plus, you’ll have opportunities to engage with our renowned faculty through clinical volunteering, shadowing, and research in our top-ranked medical system affiliations, as well as one-on-one mentorship.

By the end of your program—which ranges from one to two years, depending on your needs and your schedule—you’ll graduate with a comprehensive letter of evaluation, a personalized career plan, membership in an active and robust alumni base, and the confidence to start your medical school education right.
2 Tracks customized to your needs:

Academic enhancers: 1 year
Career changers: 1.5 to 2 years

Robust and personalized pre-med advising

One-of-a-kind clinical inquiry courses

Specialized MCAT preparatory course

Comprehensive premedical letter of evaluation

Affiliation with four top-ranked medical systems:

Cleveland Clinic
University Hospitals
Louis Stokes Veterans Affairs Medical Center
MetroHealth Medical Center

Top 25 medical school
U.S. News and World Report

Alumni Outcomes

With our program’s solid track record of success for medical school placement, we are confident in the success of our program graduates. They go on to study medicine at some of the most competitive and renowned programs in the country, including:

Case Western Reserve University, Georgetown University,
Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Northeast Ohio Medical University,
Ohio State University, Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine,
Texas Tech University - El Paso, University of Wisconsin-Madison,
Wake Forest University, Wright State University
About Case Western Reserve University

A member of the Association of American Universities, Case Western Reserve is an urban research university distinguished for its excellence across a range of disciplines and approaches. The university is among the nation’s:

- Top 25 medical schools (U.S. News & World Report, 2023)
- Top 15 in commercialization of research (Brookings Institution)
- Top 20 in innovation (Nature Index)

Case Western Reserve is also home to the Dittrick Medical History Center and sits within University Circle, a one-square-mile district that features the Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Cleveland Orchestra and Uptown—a dining, retail and residential development that has won high praise from The New York Times, among other media.

“I was looking for a program that offers flexibility in classes because I have already completed some prerequisites prior to joining the program. I then came across PRIME.”

Alexandria Ullman, ’23

“During PRIME, I was able to shadow two pediatric neurologists and I have been accepted to a few medical schools. PRIME helped me a great deal in these areas. It’s really awesome to see all the science classes that you’ve taken actually be applied to specific situations in medicine.”

Jack Jenkins ’19

“My life is completely different than it was five years ago. For me, medicine is the highest calling. It’s where I want to spend my energy, and I am so grateful to be on this path.”

Stormy Stan ’21

About Cleveland

Fewer than 5 miles from Case Western Reserve’s campus is Cleveland’s bustling downtown, complete with the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, renowned restaurants, major league teams, and Playhouse Square, the nation’s No. 1 arts district, according to USA Today. Nearby, there’s also Lake Erie and access to a 24,000-acre public park system.

Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine is affiliated with Cleveland Clinic, Louis Stokes VA Medical Center, University Hospitals and MetroHealth Medical Center (a county hospital). The first three are within walking distance, while MetroHealth is just a 15-minute drive. The school ranked No. 22 in annual National Institutes of Health funding in 2020 by Blue Ridge Institute for Medical Research.
Application Details

We look for candidates who have a demonstrated interest in medicine and who we are confident will be successful medical school applicants through the assistance of our program.

To Apply, you’ll need:

- A bachelor’s degree
- A personal statement
- Unofficial transcripts from each institution attended
- Minimum of two letters of recommendation (or a committee letter from previous med school application)
- A CV or resume
- A standardized test (optional): MCAT or GRE (school code is 1105)

Contact us

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