

Class of 2027 Match Timeline

Year 2	
November 4-7, 2024	Clinical Skills Exam (CSE) 2A
October / November 2024	Class Meetings to understand choices about post-Year 2 (Step 1 and clerkship pathways: Standard, CCLC, and MHMC LIC)
December 2024	Assignment of 3 rd year clinical schedule, student switches allowed afterwards
January 27, 2025	MD Thesis due
February to March 2025	Submit preferences for hospital sites of clinical core rotations, assignments occur 8 weeks before the start of the core with a 1-week period for student switches
Late January 2025	Year 2 Portfolio (Part 1) due, Part 2 due late February 2024
February 13 - 27, 2025	Block 8 summative CSE 2B Exam
March 17-20, 2025	Block 6 ends with SSEQs and NBME CBSE. Foundations of Medicine and Health is over!
March 21 – May 2, 2025	USMLE Step 1
Year 3	
May 5, 2025 - May 1, 2026	Traditional Clinical Cores 1-4, Cleveland Clinic Longitudinal Clerkship (CCLC), MHMC Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship (LIC) & research/flexible time
November 2025	Class Meeting: CAREER PLANNING 1: Acting Internships (AI's) and 4 th year Electives
December 31, 2025	Deadline for taking USMLE Step 1: must apply for an extension if cannot meet this deadline
December 2025 - February 2026	AAMC Visiting Student Learning Opportunities (VSLO) opens- Registrar gives access by request (away rotations, only relevant to specific specialties)
February 1, 2026	Start scheduling for AI's & Electives that begin in May
January 2026	Class Meeting: CAREER PLANNING 2: Medical Student Performance Evaluation (MSPE), Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS), other specialty specific application services
February 2026	ERAS token (special email) distributed via email from Registrar; only for LoR's
Winter/Spring 2026	Specialty specific group meetings led by CWRU specialty mentors: Signaling, away rotations...
March-September 2026	Career Advising & Planning SD meetings 1, 2, 3 with your Society Dean to prepare your application: MSPE, LoR's, personal statement, specialty mentors...
Spring/Summer 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialty Choice: Careers in Medicine, CWRU Roadmap to Residency Update your Curriculum Vitae (CV): preparation for ERAS application and to give to your letter of recommendation (LoR) writers (usually request from AI's in May-Sept) Schedule and complete the CSE 3 Exam
Spring/Fall 2026	Register for Early Match Specialties (Ophthalmology , Urology) and Military Matches
May 1, 2026	Clerkship year is over!
Year 4	
May 4, 2026	Start acting internships, advanced electives, or USMLE 2CK study
June 2026	Class Meeting: CAREER PLANNING 3: ERAS 2.0: LoR, specialty advisors, full myERAS application is open (3 months to finish)
September 1, 2026	Deadline for taking USMLE 2CK: must apply for an extension if cannot meet this deadline
September 15, 2026	Register with National Residency Matching Program (NRMP) for the Main Residency Match
September 16-23, 2026	MSPE and transcript uploaded to ERAS by the Registrar
June-September 2026	CAREER PLANNING Workshops: personal statement, interviewing, mock interviews
September 25, 2026	ERAS Application released to programs; programs may contact individual applicants via ERAS (NOTE: Based on the current ERAS schedule, subject to change. Students will be notified.)
October 2026	Residency Interviews Start (highly variable amongst specialties Oct-Jan)
Mid-December 2026	Military Match results available
Early January 2027	Urology Match : deadline for submission of rank list, results late-January
January 2027	Ophthalmology Match (SF Match) deadline for submitting rank list, results mid-January
Late-January 2027	Residency Interviews End
January 31, 2027	NRMP registration deadline. \$50 late fee afterwards.
February 1, 2027	Applicants and programs may start entering their rank order lists (ROL) in NRMP.
Mid-February 2027	Class Meeting: CAREER PLANNING 4: NRMP, ROL, and SOAP
Late February 2027	Final NRMP rank order list due for applicants and programs
March 15, 2027	SOAP Begins- only for unmatched students notified today
March 19, 2027	Match Day
April 2027	Required Capstone Transition to Residency Program
April – May 2027	Sign the contract with your residency program
May 16, 2027	School of Medicine Diploma Ceremony
Mid-June 2027	Residency begins