School of Medicine
A next generation med school for the next generation of med students

ABOUT THE UCR SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
Built upon more than three decades of medical education experience, the new UCR School of Medicine is committed to expanding and diversifying the physician workforce in Inland Southern California and improving the health of people living in the region.

UCR medical students will benefit from an intimate educational experience that features:
• An organ-based, integrated curriculum combining the science of human biology with clinical skills
• A three-year continuity-of-care clinical experience in an outpatient setting,
• Small class size with exceptional access to faculty
• Mentorship from a team of student-centered biomedical sciences faculty and community-based clinical faculty.

THE THOMAS HAIDER PROGRAM AT THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
The Thomas Haider Program at the UCR School of Medicine will continue the tradition of providing a unique pathway into medical school for UCR students, with up to 24 of the 50 seats available to students who attend UCR for at least six consecutive quarters and complete their bachelor’s degree at UCR. Students admitted to the Haider Program will complete all four years of medical school at UCR, with the M.D. degree awarded by UC Riverside.

ADMISSIONS
The UCR School of Medicine seeks students with diverse intellectual and life experiences who are committed to providing patient-centered, culturally competent medical care to underserved populations. In addition to pre-medical coursework in science and mathematics, we value broad academic backgrounds that include humanities, foreign language, social sciences, and the arts to help prepare future physicians for interacting with increasingly diverse patient populations, healthcare professionals and colleagues.

The mission of the UCR School of Medicine is to improve the health of the people of California and, especially, to serve Inland Southern California by training a diverse workforce of physicians and by developing innovative research and health care delivery programs that will improve the health of the medically underserved in the region and become models to be emulated throughout the state and nation.

Medical College Admission Test (MCAT)
The MCAT must be taken no later than fall of the year preceding the submission of your application to the School of Medicine. If more than one MCAT was taken, all the test grades must be included when submitting an application. Requests for test reports and all other correspondence and requests for information concerning the administration, processing, and scoring of the MCAT should be directed to the MCAT Program Office.

COMPLETION OF REQUIREMENTS
Students must complete all premedical requirements before beginning the first year of medical study, although these requirements need not be completed at the time application for admission is filed. AP credit with a score of 4 or 5 (or International Baccalaureate score of 6 or 7) can be used to satisfy one quarter or one semester of English and one quarter or one semester of Mathematics. AP (or IB) credit cannot be used to satisfy the Physics, Chemistry or Biology requirements. A full list of prerequisites can be found at medschool.ucr.edu.

Applications must be submitted through the American Medical College Application Service® (AMCAS®). Prior to submitting an application, you must request that a complete set of official transcripts be forwarded directly to AMCAS by the registrar of each school you have attended.
STUDENT PIPELINES TO PREPARE FOR A CAREER IN MEDICINE
We can help you prepare for admissions to professional education programs in medicine and other health-related careers.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

The Ph.D. Program
The UCR School of Medicine also offers a Ph.D. Program in Biomedical Sciences to train students to bridge the wide gulfs that currently exist between basic science research and clinical medicine.

Residency Training
The UCR School of Medicine also partners with hospitals in the region to sponsor residency training programs, including the Internal Medicine Residency Program at Riverside County Regional Medical Center, the Family Medicine Residency in collaboration with Desert Regional Medical Center, and the Psychiatry Residency Program at the Riverside County Department of Mental Health. There is also a primary care pediatrics track in partnership with Loma Linda University. Residency programs provide the post-M.D. training required for physicians to become fully independent and board certified in their specialties.

STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE
The Student Affairs Office in the UCR School of Medicine is dedicated to assisting current and future medical students before they arrive at UC Riverside and throughout the four years of medical school.

Among the many programs available to help you prepare for admission are:

FastStart
FastStart is an intensive five-week program for incoming UCR freshmen designed to increase the opportunities for students to pursue medical careers. Perhaps most importantly, FastStart students receive critical mentoring from faculty, staff and students committed to providing academic and adjustment guidance.

Medical Scholars Program
The Medical Scholars Program (MSP) is a community of undergraduate students preparing for health professions and biomedical research careers. Medical Scholars distinguish themselves through their leadership and service to underserved and diverse communities. MSP primarily supports students who are first generation to college and/or socioeconomically disadvantaged who demonstrate a commitment to helping underserved communities. Once admitted, MSP students participate in the program throughout their undergraduate career.

Health Professions Advising Center
The Health Professions Advising Center is a resource available to all UCR undergraduate students and alumni interested in careers in the health professions, such as medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and public health.