# Timeline for Medical School Applicants

## 2-3 Years Before Applying
- Attend various medical school admissions & applications workshops (check the Events page in Callisto regularly).
- Sign up for the Health & Medicine CareerMail.
- Participate in volunteer, work or extracurricular activities that interest you.
- Focus on academics to maintain a strong GPA, take prerequisite courses.
- Cultivate relationships with professors who could write strong letters of recommendation.

## THE YEAR BEFORE APPLYING

### Summer
- Engage in extracurricular activities, (i.e., research, volunteer or internships) that interest you and demonstrate leadership, teamwork & caring, altruism and extraordinariness.
- Review MSAR to choose schools to apply to. Review individual school prerequisites and determine if there are additional courses you need to complete.
- If all pre-requisites have been completed prepare for & take the MCAT within this window of time - June – September.

### Fall
- Continue considering prospective letter writers and cultivate relationships with the professors that you will eventually request letters of recommendation from.
- Continue to do well in classes and engage in extracurricular activities that interest you.

### Winter/Spring
- If all pre-requisites have been completed prepare for & take the MCAT within this window of time - January – (no later than) April.
- Attend personal statement workshops & write statement. Have it reviewed by your letter of recommendation writers and other friends, family members or peers who know your story and possess excellent writing skills.
- Request letters of recommendation.

## APPLICATION YEAR

### May
- AMCAS, ACOMAS & TMDSAS Applications open early in May – begin filling out applications.

### June
- Submit application to medical schools using AMCAS, TMDSAS, or ACOMAS.

### July - August
- AMCAS is in the process of verifying primary applications.
- Medical schools begin sending out secondary applications (through September).

### August - December
- Medical schools are interviewing applicants.
- Prepare for interviews by scheduling a mock interview with the Career Center Mock Interview Consultant and/or Pre-med counselors, in addition to practicing with friends and family.

### October
- Beginning of admissions offers to applicants.
- Primary applications final deadlines (serious applicants apply in June, well before this deadline).

### January - March
- Interviews continue.
- Admissions offers continue.

### April
- April 15th offer acceptance deadline for medical schools that start on June 30th.
- Admissions offers continue.

### May
- May 15th offer acceptance deadline for medical schools that start in August.

### June - August
- Active waitlist class filled.
- Start medical school.