MEDICAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

STUDENT RULES and REQUIREMENTS - last year

Students admitted to the MSP program must have a minimum of 90 credits of undergraduate course work and have a cumulative GPA of 3.700 or greater and a science GPA of at least 3.700 to be considered for promotion to the School of Medicine. The 90 semester hours must include all courses required to start medical school. The science GPA will be calculated from all grades earned in all courses in mathematics, biology, chemistry, and physics. None of these courses may be taken at the junior college level. Courses for less than 3 credits will not be included in the science GPA calculation. Grades earned in all science courses (of 3 credits or more) taken at UM, as well as those taken at any other 4-year senior college or university, will be used in calculating the science GPA.

Grades will be monitored by the HPME Committee each semester. More than one “C”, or a grade of “D” in any subject, or a cumulative GPA that falls below 3.4 are all causes for a committee review of the student’s progress.

**NO** grades can be erased by repeating a course, even if repeating is required for credit. Both grades will be used in the GPA calculations described above.

If any course is failed or incomplete, it must be made up in the following semester (or the next semester in which the course is offered).

The MCAT exam **must** be taken no later than the spring of the student’s last undergraduate year. For promotion to the School of Medicine MSP students must achieve a minimum composite MCAT score of 26.

MSP students must complete the appropriate applications (AMCAS and institutional), even though admission is conditionally assured. MSP students who apply to other LCME-accredited medical schools will lose their assured place and will be processed as regular applicants. There will be a **mandatory** meeting for all MSP students with the University of Miami School of Medicine Dean of Admissions in the fall of the last undergraduate year. At this meeting applications will be distributed and you will be given further instructions about making the transition from the undergraduate level to the Medical School. Housing, Parking, and Financial Aid will also be discussed at this meeting.

MSP students may not defer, postpone, or otherwise delay their scheduled entry to the School of Medicine without losing their assured place. Students who defer their entry for whatever reason, will be considered only as a regular applicant (provided the student completes the regular application process). However, the HPME Committee has the right to require a student to take a fourth undergraduate year and to specify what coursework or experiences must be undertaken. Such action may be based on an evaluation of the student’s academic or maturational needs.

MSP students who are placed on academic or disciplinary probation by any academic institution will be summarily dismissed from the MSP program and denied admission to the School of Medicine via the MSP route.