



# Accelerated Premedical-Medical Program

IN COOPERATION WITH  
SIDNEY KIMMEL MEDICAL COLLEGE AT  
THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY

**PennState**





The Penn State Premedical-Medical (PMM) Program is an accelerated seven-year program with three years of undergraduate study at Penn State followed by four years at the Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia.

This cooperative program began in 1963 and, since then, more than 1,000 students have earned their B.S./M.D. degrees.

Each year 25 – 30 first-year students enroll in PMM and begin their studies at Penn State's University Park campus. Students earn their Penn State B.S. degree after the first year of medical school, and the Sidney Kimmel M.D. degree is awarded after the fourth year of medical school.

**MORE INFORMATION ABOUT  
THIS PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE AT [science.psu.edu/premedmed](https://science.psu.edu/premedmed)**

**25-30**  
PMM STUDENTS  
ENROLL EACH YEAR

**1,000+**  
PMM B.S./M.D.  
DEGREES AWARDED

**\$975**  
MILLION  
IN RESEARCH ANNUALLY  
AT PENN STATE

## Admission Requirements

In order to be considered in the initial review process for this rigorous academic program, you must:

- Decide if you would like your SAT/ACT scores included in the evaluation for admission to the PMM program. Penn State is test-optional through fall 2024.
- **If you plan to submit test scores:** Please note previously accepted students had an average SAT of 1570 (Math plus Evidence Based Reading and Writing), or a composite score of 36 on the ACT. The range of SAT scores for students invited for an interview this past cycle were 1510-1600. All qualifying scores must be earned from a single test date. Scores must arrive at Penn State by the October 10 deadline. Penn State no longer requires a writing score from the SAT or ACT.
- Complete at least four secondary school units of English; two units of algebra; one unit of geometry; one-half unit of trigonometry, precalculus, or calculus; three units of science; two units of a single world language; and three units of social studies, humanities, and/or the arts.
- **Be in your senior year and applying for first-year admission.** Students who have already graduated high school are not eligible. International students and out-of-state students are eligible to apply.
- Submit your application and the program's additional required materials by **October 10** of your senior year.

*\*Applicants to this program are not eligible for Early Action consideration and there is no waitlist for the program.*

## PMM STUDENT PROFILE

**PMM application/admission figures for fall 2023**

APPLICATIONS: **1255**

OFFERED ADMISSION: **40**

ACCEPTANCE RATE: **3.1%**

**Average values of students selected for an interview for fall 2023 admission** (for estimating purposes only)

COMPOSITE ACT **36**

SAT TEST\* **1570**  
EVIDENCE-BASED READING  
AND WRITING + MATH

HIGH SCHOOL GPA **3.97**  
(unweighted 4.0 Scale)

*\*Score is based on a 1600-point scale. This chart in no way represents a promise or guarantee of admission.*

# Getting Started

## APPLYING TO PMM

A complete application must be received by Undergraduate Admissions no later than **October 10** of your senior year. Applications completed after this date will not be considered for PMM.

The Penn State application will be available online at [admissions.psu.edu](https://admissions.psu.edu) starting **August 1**. To consider your application complete, we need you:

- Online application accessed through either MyPennState or the Common App;
- Self-Reported Academic Record from grades 9 through 11;
- Schedule of senior year courses;
- Test optional: Students have the option to submit official SAT/ACT test scores, sent by either the College Board or ACT;
- Paid application fee;
- Required responses to questions from Sidney Kimmel Medical College available within the online application.

*For the fall 2024 admissions cycle, no letters of recommendation are required, nor will they be used in the review of your application.*

## APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS

Decisions are made during a three-part review process by Penn State Undergraduate Admissions and the Penn State-Kimmel Joint Admissions Committee.

1. Applicants must meet the baseline admission requirements previously listed and have a completed application by **October 10** to be initially reviewed for PMM. All applications will be evaluated after October 10.
2. After the preliminary review, approximately 50 – 80 top candidates are invited by late December to the interview phase of the evaluation at Sidney Kimmel.
3. Finalists will participate in a mandatory in-person interview at Sidney Kimmel in **mid-January**, resulting in approximately 25 – 30 offers of admission. There is no waitlist for PMM interviews.

Students will be notified via MyPennState if they have been admitted to PMM in **mid-February**.

Applicants who do not advance at any stage of the review process will automatically be evaluated for admission to a four-year degree program in the Eberly College of Science at the University Park campus.

Decisions for the four-year degree plan will be made by late-December. Interview finalists who are not offered admission to PMM are guaranteed an offer to the Eberly College of Science at the University Park campus.

## ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

PMM students have a similar schedule to premedicine students in the traditional four-year Penn State baccalaureate program.

PMM students are expected to perform at an A/B level in all courses, much like all students are expected to do if they hope to pursue a career in medicine.

Students not performing at a 3.5 level (on a 4.0 scale), particularly in the sciences, could be asked to withdraw from the program. Typically, the student would be eligible to remain at Penn State in another program of study.

**Satisfactory performance on MCAT exams is required for enrollment to Sidney Kimmel.** The MCAT requirements for the most recent entering cohort is as follows:

- A composite score of 508 or more;
- A minimum of 127 in each of these three subsections: Chemistry & Physical Foundations of Biological Systems, Biological & Biochemical Foundations of Living Systems, and Psychological, Social, and Biological Foundations of Behavior;
- A minimum of 126 in the CARS subsection

To successfully enroll at Sidney Kimmel, students must take the MCAT no later than the last testing date in March of their third year at Penn State. Retaking the MCAT is allowed to meet the PMM Program benchmark; the required score set must be met within five years of enrolling in the program. Students admitted to majors at Penn State other than PMM are not eligible for admission into the program at a later date. Transfer admission into this program is also not available.

## TUITION AND COST

While attending Penn State, students pay the regular University tuition rate ([tuition.psu.edu](https://tuition.psu.edu)). Once enrolled at the Medical College, students pay the regular Sidney Kimmel Medical College rate ([jefferson.edu/tuition](https://jefferson.edu/tuition)).

# The Eberly College of Science at Penn State

Penn State, founded in 1855, is one of the nation's leading public universities. With 20 undergraduate campuses, it is also one of the world's largest universities, enrolling more than 100,000 students and employing more than 19,000 full-time faculty and staff.

Penn State is a comprehensive university with a mission of teaching, public service, and research that offers more than 275 baccalaureate degree programs. The University Park campus, located in central Pennsylvania, is the largest Penn State campus, with nearly 46,000 undergraduate and graduate students. With more than \$975 million spent per year on research activities, Penn State is recognized as one of the top research universities in the country.

In addition to strong departments in mathematical, physical, and life sciences, the Eberly College of Science works with other Penn State colleges in research centers and consortia, including the Center for Infectious Disease Dynamics and the Fuel Cell Dynamics and Diagnostics Laboratory. Within the college, there are centers and institutes such as the Center for Biomolecular Structure and Function, the Institute of Molecular Evolutionary Genetics, and the Center for Multivariate Analysis as well as highly advanced computing facilities.

Learn more about the Eberly College of Science at [science.psu.edu](https://science.psu.edu).

## ADDITIONAL PATHS TO MEDICAL SCHOOL

The PMM program is not your only Penn State option if you want to pursue a career in medicine.

While actual numbers vary from year to year, about 60 – 75 percent of all Penn State students accepted to medical school have completed a major in the Eberly College of Science. General Science and Biology are the most popular majors, while Premedicine, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Microbiology, and Chemistry have also been successful Eberly College of Science avenues to medical school.

Learn more at [science.psu.edu/interdisciplinary-programs/premedicine/frequently-asked-questions](https://science.psu.edu/interdisciplinary-programs/premedicine/frequently-asked-questions).



# Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University

Sidney Kimmel Medical College, formerly Jefferson Medical College, was founded in 1824 and has conferred more M.D. degrees than any other medical college in the United States. The school is one of the most diverse in the country, with students accepted each year from more than 100 different colleges and universities.

The medical college is situated on a 13-acre urban campus in Center City Philadelphia. Buildings in the six-square-block area include faculty and administrative offices, research laboratories, lecture rooms, the Scott Memorial Library, residence halls, one outpatient short procedure building, and three hospital buildings.

The Gibbon Building is an innovative, nine-story hospital, housing four, 100-bed mini-hospitals, each with its own diagnostic and therapeutic facilities. Included in the hospital is the Bodine Center for Radiation Therapy, one of the most modern radiation therapy facilities in the world. The Bluemle Life Sciences Building provides dedicated research and laboratory space, and the Dorrance H. Hamilton Building includes state-of-the-art classrooms and facilities that promote collaborative team-based learning.

Sidney Kimmel also offers a joint M.D./M.P.H. program with Jefferson College of Population Health for students preparing for a career in the promotion and protection of human health. A joint five-year M.D./M.B.A. and M.H.A. program with Widener University or University of Delaware is offered to students interested in preparing for leadership roles in the changing medical environment. The medical college's nationally recognized Physician Shortage Area Program (PSAP) is designed to recruit and educate medical students who intend to enter family medicine and practice in rural areas. All of these aforementioned programs are open to qualified PMM students enrolled at Sidney Kimmel Medical College.

Learn more about Sidney Kimmel Medical College at [jefferson.edu/skmc](http://jefferson.edu/skmc).



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## SIDNEY KIMMEL STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS (2022)

- The student body represents 27 states and 9 countries from 107 undergraduate institutions
- Women: 55%, Men: 45%
- Mean age: 24 (ranging from 20-37)
- Mean MCAT score: 514

# PREMEDICAL-MEDICAL PROGRAM IN COOPERATION WITH SIDNEY KIMMEL MEDICAL COLLEGE

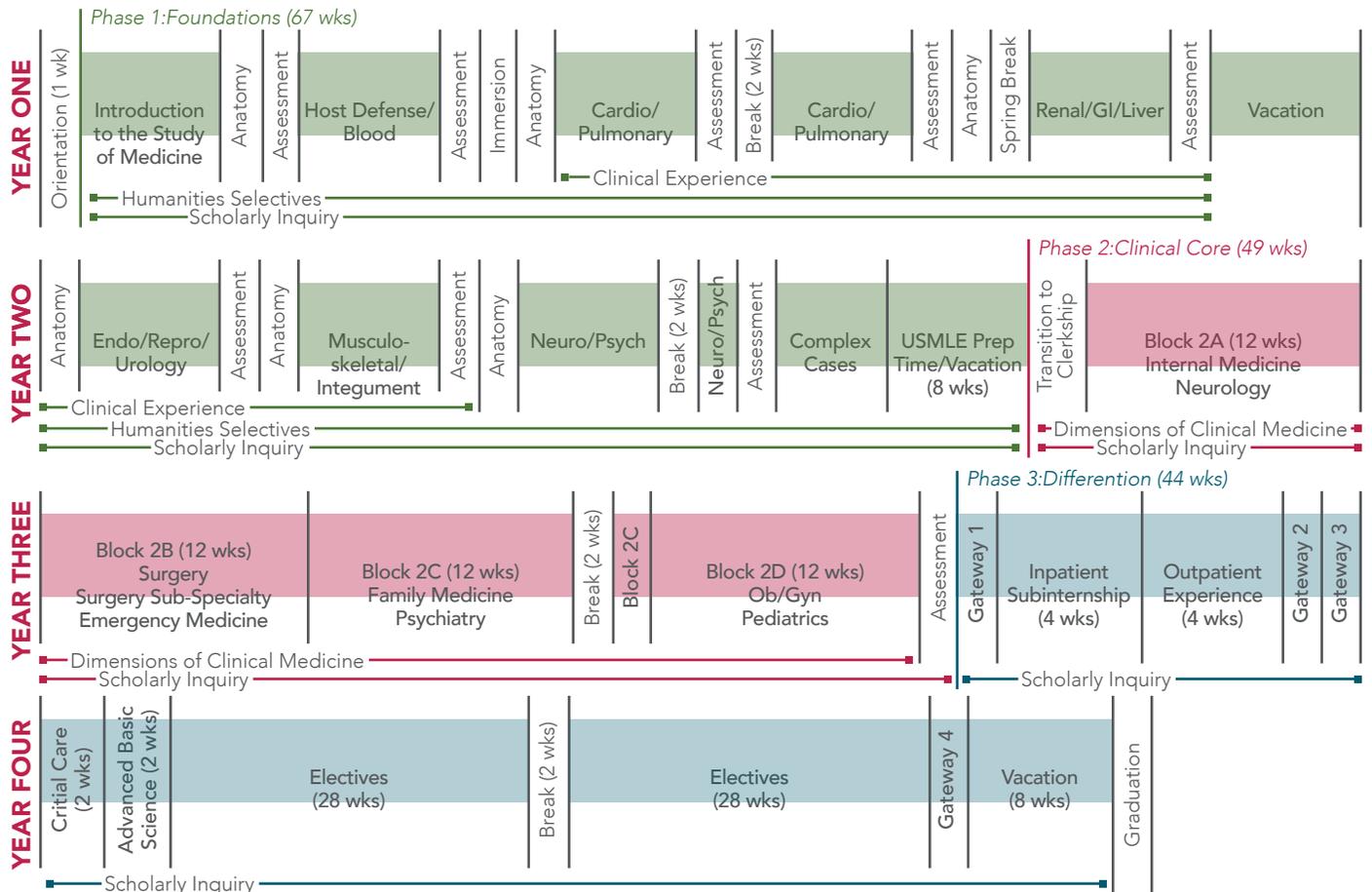
## PENN STATE COMPONENT, 96 CREDITS

YEAR ONE				YEAR TWO				YEAR THREE			
Fall	Cr	Spring	Cr	Fall	Cr	Spring	Cr	Fall	Cr	Spring	Cr
Calculus I	4	Calculus II	4	Org Chem I	3	Org Chem II	3	Physics III	4	Biochem II	3
Gen Bio & Lab I	4	Gen Bio & Lab II	4	Bio Elective	3	Org Chem Lab	2	English II	3	World Language II	4
Gen Chem I	3	Gen Chem II	3	Speech	3	Physics II	4	Biochem I	3	Gen Ed	3
Chem Lab I	1	Chem Lab II	1	Gen Ed	3	Gen Ed	3	Gen Ed	1.5	Gen Ed	3
English I	3	Gen Ed	3	Physics I	4	Gen Ed	3	World Language I	4	Gen Ed Elective	4
First-Year Seminar	1	Gen Ed	1.5								
	16		16.5		16		15		15.5		17

General Education (Gen Ed): Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Health and Wellness, Integrative Studies, and Exploration. Credits should be distributed with 3 in each area (6 in integrative studies) for a total of 21 credits. Integrative Studies link two disciplines and Exploration allows further study in one of the other areas except GHW.

Biology elective and free electives must be approved by program director. With approval, these credits may include independent study/research work. There is no acceleration to Sidney Kimmel a year early, regardless of any test or dual enrollment credit a student may bring with them to Penn State.

## SIDNEY KIMMEL COMPONENT



## PENN STATE RESOURCES

Undergraduate Admissions  
814-865-5471  
[admissions.psu.edu](http://admissions.psu.edu)

Eberly College of Science  
814-865-2609  
[science.psu.edu](http://science.psu.edu)

Student Disability Resources  
814-863-1807  
(voice or TTY)\*  
[equity.psu.edu/ods](http://equity.psu.edu/ods)

Housing  
814-865-7543  
[liveon.psu.edu](http://liveon.psu.edu)

International Student Advising  
814-865-6348  
[global.psu.edu](http://global.psu.edu)

Multicultural Resource Center  
814-865-1773  
[equity.psu.edu/mrc](http://equity.psu.edu/mrc)

Student Activities  
814-863-4624  
[studentaffairs.psu.edu](http://studentaffairs.psu.edu)

Student Aid  
(financial aid and scholarships)  
814-865-6301  
[studentaid.psu.edu](http://studentaid.psu.edu)

## JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY RESOURCES

Admissions  
215-955-6983  
[jefferson.edu/skmc](http://jefferson.edu/skmc)

Student Affairs & Career Counseling  
215-503-6988  
[jefferson.edu/university/skmc/student-resources/student-affairs.html](http://jefferson.edu/university/skmc/student-resources/student-affairs.html)

Housing & Residence Life  
215-955-8913  
[jefferson.edu/university/housing](http://jefferson.edu/university/housing)

Student Life & Engagement  
215-503-7743  
[jefferson.edu/university/student-life-engagement.html](http://jefferson.edu/university/student-life-engagement.html)

Student Financial Aid  
215-955-2867  
[jefferson.edu/financial\\_aid](http://jefferson.edu/financial_aid)

# OCTOBER 10

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

The application for PMM is available on **August 1** online at [admissions.psu.edu](http://admissions.psu.edu).

The application deadline for PMM is **October 10**. No rolling admission or Early Action consideration.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Can my Advanced Placement credits shorten my time at Penn State?

No. The PMM curriculum requires three years at Penn State plus the first year of the medical curriculum successfully completed to earn your B.S. degree.

### Can I simultaneously apply to the Schreyer Honors College?

Yes, but if you are offered admission to PMM and the Schreyer Honors College, only one offer can be accepted.

### Can I do research or study abroad as a PMM student?

Yes to both! You can arrange research opportunities directly with faculty members who are conducting research in your areas of interest and choose from more than 50 countries to study abroad.

### Can I add an academic minor in another area of interest?

Yes, many PMM students add a minor, and it is encouraged by the program.

### Do all PMM students complete the program?

Typically, several students of each entering cohort do not meet the MCAT and/or PMM academic performance levels. Subsequent advising is tailored to each student's situation and goals. Sometimes a PMM student changes their career objective but, overall, most students are successful in the program.

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