SITUATIONAL JUDGMENT TEST REQUIREMENT

Beginning with the 2022 Admissions Cycle (class entering in fall 2022) all applicants to Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine will be required to complete a situational judgment test (SJT) as part of the application for the Regular MD and MD/PhD programs.

For the 2022 cycle, we will require the SJT platform provided by CASPer (Computer Assessment for Sampling Personal Characteristics). The test dates for our program are May 4, 2021 through November 16, 2021.   All MD and MD/PhD applicants must have taken the test by November 16, 2021 to be considered for the 2022 admissions cycle.

CASPer is an online test assessment for non-cognitive skills and interpersonal characteristics that we believe are important for successful students and graduates of our program.   By implementing CASPer, we are trying to enhance fairness and objectivity in our selection process.

In order to take CASPer, you will be responsible for securing access to a computer with audio capabilities, a webcam, and a reliable internet connection on your selected test date. CASPer can be taken practically anywhere that you can satisfy the aforementioned requirements. No exceptions will be provided for applicants unable to take CASPer online due to being located at sites where internet is not dependable due to technical or political factors.

Please go to takeCASPer.com to sign up and reserve a test using your AAMC ID and a government-issued photo ID. You will be provided with a limited number of testing dates and times. Please note that these are the only testing dates available for your CASPer test for our program. There will be no additional tests scheduled. Please use an email address that you check regularly; there may be updates to the test schedule.

Please direct any inquiries on the test to support@takecasper.com. Alternatively, you may use the chat bubble in the bottom right-hand corner of your screen on the takecasper.com website.

The CASPer test is comprised of 12 sections of video and written scenarios. Following each scenario, you will be required to answer a set of probing questions under a time contract. The test typically takes between 75-90 minutes to complete. Each response is graded by a different rater, giving a very robust and reliable view of personal and professional characteristics important to our program. No studying is required for CASPer, although you may want to familiarize yourself with the test structure at takeCASPer.com, and ensure you have a quiet environment to take the test.

CASPer test results are valid for one admissions cycle. Applicants who have already taken the test in previous years will therefore be expected to re-take it.

NOTE: A CASPER SCORE IS REQUIRED FOR AN INTERVIEW. WE DO NOT REQUIRE SNAPSHOT OR DUET.