Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine (MUJCESOM)

Transfer Student Policy

Transfer students will be considered for admission at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine (MUJCESOM) as advanced standing students for compelling personal, medical, family, financial, or other circumstances that warrant consideration. The existence of qualifying circumstances does not guarantee an interview or admission. The number of transfer students considered and admitted in any academic year will be determined by available space and curricular capacity and shall be at the sole direction of the Admissions Committee. Meeting the eligibility and application requirements does not guarantee an interview, admission, transfer credit, or a particular point of entry.

In order to transfer into the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine (MUJCESOM) with advanced standing, applicants must meet the following criteria:

Eligibility:

1. Must have "good academic and professional standing" status (eligible to return) to their previous medical school, which must be a Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) accredited school.

2. Must be a United States citizen or have a permanent resident status.

3. Must have completed coursework equivalent to the Phase I (pre-clerkship) of the MD curriculum of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

4. Must provide an official United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) score report for all attempts on USMLE STEP 1, including a passing score-report.

5. Must be accepted and eligible to enter no later than the second rotation of the M3 curriculum.

Requirements:

All applicants must provide the following for consideration:

1. Completed application form for Transfer with Advanced Standing or an updated AMCAS application if available.

2. Official transcripts from all schools attended. Acceptance of previously completed coursework is not guaranteed. MUJCESOM reserves the right to determine which coursework, and educational experiences satisfy curricular requirements. The Senior Associate Dean of Medical Education and the Assistant Dean of Pre-Clerkship Curriculum will make this determination.

3. Letter of "good standing" status from previous medical school.
4. Letters of reference:

Three written recommendations from professors who have taught the applicant in class are required. Two of these references must be from professors in basic science and one from a clinical faculty member who can attest to the applicant's clinical and/or diagnostic skills.

   a. Applicants should select professors who are familiar with them and can provide substantive comments regarding their academic career.

   b. Additional pertinent references are acceptable.

5. Personal interview may be requested.

6. A $100.00 non-refundable application fee is required.

7. Criminal Background Check will be required for all applicants.

8. Accepted transfer applicants must meet the same health, immunization, technical standards, and matriculation requirements as other MUJCESOM students.

Process:

1. All application materials will be gathered and reviewed by the Office of Admissions.
2. Applicants deemed acceptable may be invited for an interview by the Office of Admissions.
3. Admission decisions by the Admissions Committee are final and are not subject to appeal.
4. Accepted applicants are required to complete orientation.

Deadlines:

Applications and all supporting materials, including references, must be received on or before January 1st of the year of enrollment at MUJCESOM. Official United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) score report for all attempts on Step 1 and a passing score report must be received no later than March 1st of the starting year.

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