



American University of the Caribbean  
School of Medicine

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# **Office of Student and Professional Development (OSPD)**

5<sup>th</sup> Semester Orientation  
Students Starting Clinicals In  
September 2017 Semester

# Today's Agenda

- Key Terms
- State Licensure
- Timeline
- Strategy
- Resources

# Key Terms

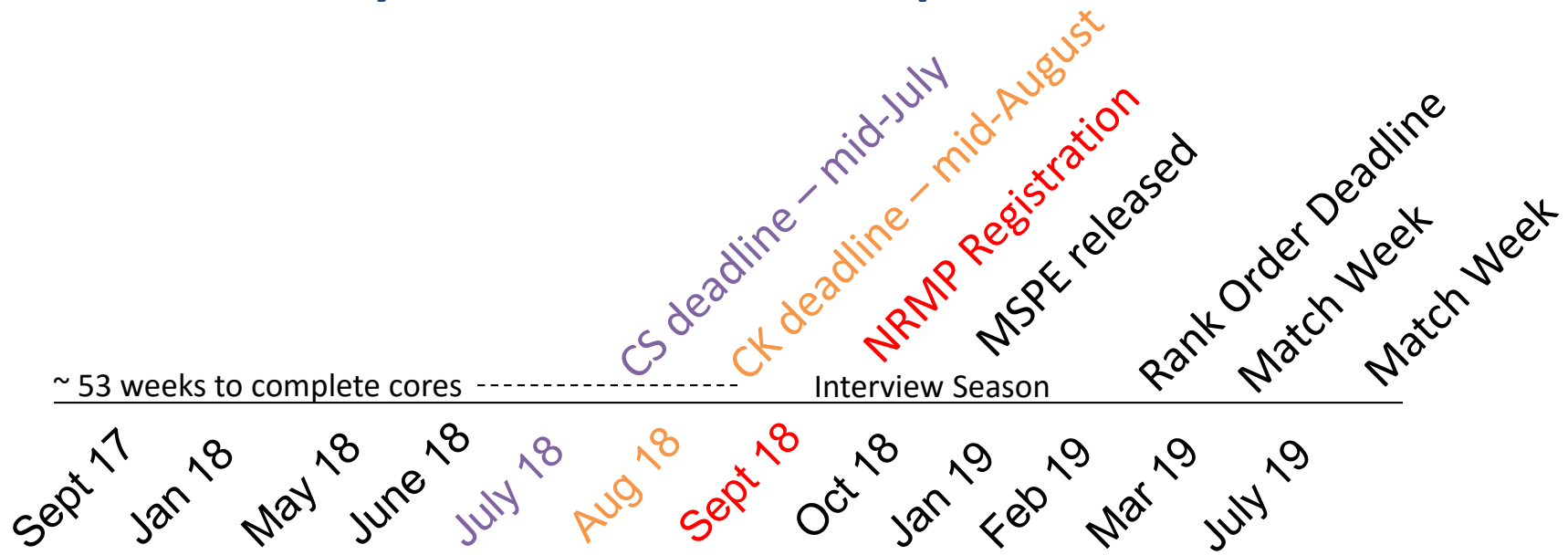
- Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)
  - Accredits residency and fellowship programs in the United States
- Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG)
  - Obtaining the ECFMG Certificate is required for foreign medical graduates to enter ACGME-accredited residency or fellowship programs in the United States
- Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS)
  - Houses residency application supporting documents for programs to access when students apply for residency
- Medical Student Performance Evaluation Letter
  - Document submitted by school in support of residency and fellowship applications detailing students' academic performance in medical school
- National Resident Matching Program (NRMP)
  - Manages the process by which medical students match into residency and fellowship

# State Licensure

- AUC requires students to complete 54 weeks of rotations that participate or sponsor an ACGME-accredited residency or fellowship in the same subject area
- 54 weeks must include all 42 core clerkship weeks
- Students interested in licensure in Texas and California must complete a 4-week ACGME-accredited Family Medicine elective
- Once AUC's ACGME weeks' requirement are met, students are free to enroll in up to 18 weeks of non-ACGME rotations including Global Health Electives and other specialty electives

[http://aucmed.edu/student-services/key-departments/ospd.aspx#anchor\\_physicianstatelicensure](http://aucmed.edu/student-services/key-departments/ospd.aspx#anchor_physicianstatelicensure)

# Residency Timeline: Sept Class - NRMP®



If possible, build in break after cores to study for COMP and CK  
 8 weeks required for full-time status and fin aid

Complete elective(s)/sub-internship in desired specialty by mid-August



# Key Messages

- Choose core site(s) based on residency timeline vs geographical preference
- If possible, apply with a complete residency application
- Become familiar with AUC Step 2 CK Policy on page 44 of [Student Handbook](#)
- If decided early enough, students can decelerate and participate in 2020 Match as first-time applicant
- Can take CS as late as mid-July and still have score back by NRMP Registration
- Can take CK as late as mid-August and still have score back by NRMP Registration

# Strategy

- Competitive for specialty
- Strong LORs (at least one in desired specialty)
- Avoid unnecessary Leaves of Absence
- Apply with strong, complete application
- Use available resources



# USMLE® Step 1 Performance for 2014, 2015 and 2016 Classes

Specialty	# Residency Placements	% Matched into Specialty	NRMP Mean*	AUC Mean
Anesthesiology	35	4%	235	240
Diagnostic Radiology	15	2%	241	239
Emergency Medicine	15	2%	235	236
Family Medicine	233	30%	210	215
General Surgery	23	3%	242	243
Internal Medicine	236	30%	228	229
Neurology	14	2%	225	223
OB/GYN	16	2%	224	225
Pathology	9	1%	222	219
Pediatrics	60	8%	226	223
PM&R	9	1%	221	222
Psychiatry	51	6%	215	213

\*Source: [2016 NRMP Program Director Survey's](#) section on "Scores Above Which Programs Almost Always Grant Interviews."





# USMLE® Step 2 CK Performance for 2014, 2015 and 2016 Classes

Specialty	# Residency Placements	% Matched into Specialty	NRMP Mean*	AUC Mean
Anesthesiology	35	4%	238	244
Diagnostic Radiology	15	2%	243	240
Emergency Medicine	15	2%	244	243
Family Medicine	233	30%	224	225
General Surgery	23	3%	246	244
Internal Medicine	236	30%	234	235
Neurology	14	2%	233	227
OB/GYN	16	2%	236	237
Pathology	9	1%	230	226
Pediatrics	60	8%	232	230
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Psychiatry	51	6%	226	226

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# Positions offered in the 2016 Match

Specialty	# positions offered	% of all positions offered
Anesthesiology	1127	4.0%
Emergency Medicine	1895	6.8%
Family Medicine	3238	11.6%
Internal Medicine (Categorical)	7024	25.2%
Neurology	443	1.6%
OB/GYN	1265	4.5%
Pathology	579	2.1%
Pediatrics	2689	9.7%
PM&R	112	0.4%
Psychiatry	1384	5.0%
Radiology-Diagnostic	151	0.5%
Surgery (Categorical)	1241	4.5%

\*Source: [Results and Data: 2016 Main Residency Match](#)

# Residency Application Supporting Documents

- [Letters of Recommendation \(LoRs\)](#) - provided by student/letter writer
- [USMLE Transcript](#) - provided by student
- [Personal Statement](#) - provided by student
- [Curriculum Vitae \(CV\)](#) - provided by student
- [Photograph](#) - provided by student
- [Post Training Authorization Letter \(PTAL\)/Receipt](#) - provided by student (CA)
- [Medical School Transcript](#) - provided by OSPD
- [MSPE Letter](#) - provided by OSPD

[ERAS Residency Application and Supporting Document Submission At-a-Glance](#)

# Letters of Recommendation

- At least one LoR in desired specialty
- Submit 3-4 LoRs in support of ERAS application
- Students applying to Emergency Medicine will need a Standard Letter of Evaluation (SLOE)
- [Asking for a Letter of Recommendation](#) by ECFMG

# Resources

- [OSPD website](#)
  - CV, Personal Statement and MSPE Letter samples
- [OSPDirect](#)
- OSPD Office Hours
- [OCSA Elective Guide](#)
- [USMLE Step 2 prep](#)
- Clinical Education Fellows

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