JOAN C. EDWARDS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

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Established in 1976, the School of Medicine quickly developed a reputation for providing students with a high-quality, hands-on medical education delivered in an atmosphere of caring and respect. Since that time, the school has also dramatically expanded its scope of research and clinical services, giving students an energized learning environment in which to become physicians. With three new educational facilities, two new clinical departments and more progress on the horizon, the school continues to expand opportunities for students.

Admission Requirements

Marshall's School of Medicine selects students from a variety of academic, socioeconomic and personal backgrounds. Although most applicants are science majors, it encourages its applicants to meet its basic sciences requirements and then pursue their personal educational interests and abilities. The Admissions Committee considers the quality of students' work more important than the field in which it is taken.

As a state-assisted medical school, Marshall gives preference to West Virginia residents. Some positions also are available for well-qualified nonresidents who live in states adjoining West Virginia or who have strong ties to this state. To be considered, all applicants must be U.S. citizens or have permanent resident visas.

Entrants should have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. Exceptionally well-qualified students may be considered after ninety semester hours of academic work if other requirements are met.

Minimum course requirements are 6 hours each of English and social or behavioral sciences and 8 hours each (with lab) of general biology or zoology, inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry and physics. All required courses must be passed with a grade of *C* or better by June 1 of the year of matriculation.

All applicants must take the Medical College Admissions Test, preferably in the spring of the year of application, but no later than the fall. The test must be taken within three calendar years of enrollment.

Applicants must exhibit excellence in character, motivation and ideals and should possess the many personal qualities essential for a career in medicine. Applicants are evaluated on the basis of four criteria: scholastic records, MCAT scores, academic references, and interviews.

The School of Medicine encourages qualified members of groups underrepresented in medicine to apply. It does not discriminate because of race, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, disability or national origin.

Detailed information on the admissions process and a copy of the School of Medicine catalog are available at http://musom.marshall.edu/admissions (http://musom.marshall.edu/admissions/).