



David Geffen
School of Medicine

Admissions Information



Mission

To improve health and health care, UCLA will:

- Create world leaders in health and science
- Discover the basis for health and cures for disease
- Optimize health through community partnerships
- Heal humankind one patient at a time



Kelsey C. Martin, MD, PhD
Dean, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

Cultural North Star

At the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, we believe that a positive, team-oriented culture is not only critical to our ability to achieve our mission, but also vital to our well-being and cohesion as a community. The Cultural North Star is our guiding principles of how we come together to advance our mission of healing humanity and of advancing science in medicine.

The three pillars for our Cultural North Star are:

Do What's Right

Make Things Better

Be Kind

To learn more about the Cultural North Star visit:

medschool.ucla.edu/cultural-north-star/about

Diversity statement

We, the David Geffen School of Medicine (DGSOM) at UCLA, aim for excellence in all tenets of health care, including education, research, community engagement and clinical care. We believe that the core values of diversity and inclusion are inseparable from our institutional goal. DGSOM leadership is committed to fostering an environment that celebrates the unique backgrounds, contributions and opinions of each individual. Through fair and deliberate recruitment, hiring practices, promotions, admissions, and education, DGSOM will draw its talent from across the community and provide the highest quality of service to everyone we encounter. We believe in a system that supports outstanding faculty, fellows, residents, staff and students with different perspectives and experiences. By a process of continual reevaluation, reflection and shared responsibility, we are unwavering in our dedication to equality, communication and respect.

Affiliations

In addition to UCLA Health — which includes Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center; UCLA Mattel Children's Hospital; Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital at UCLA; and UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica — the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA is affiliated with a number of diverse Southern California health care institutions:

Hospitals:

- Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, Los Angeles
- Northridge Hospital Medical Center
- Olive View-UCLA Medical Center, Los Angeles
- VA Greater Los Angeles Health System
- Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles
- Kaiser Permanente, Los Angeles
- St. Mary Medical Center

Other teaching partners:

- Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, Los Angeles
- Renee and Meyer Luskin Children's Clinic of Orthopaedic Hospital, Los Angeles
- L.A. Orthopaedic Hospital/Clinic, Los Angeles
- Venice Family Clinic, Venice, California
- University of California, Riverside
- Second Affiliated Hospital of Zhejiang University School of Medicine, Hangzhou, China

Medical education programs at DGSOM

David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

Degrees: MD

DGSOM seeks students who will be future leaders, have distinguished careers in clinical practice, teaching, research and public service. The school strives to create an environment in which students prepare for a future in which scientific knowledge, societal values and human needs are ever changing.

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Medical Science Training Program (MSTP)

Degrees: MD/PhD

Our MSTP is dedicated to educating and training exceptionally qualified individuals for careers in the biomedical and socio-medical sciences. The average time to complete both degrees for students in the UCLA-Caltech MSTP is eight years. The traditional course of study begins with the first two years of medical school, followed by four years of PhD graduate training, and concluding with the third and fourth years of medical school. The MSTP and David Geffen School of Medicine work with students to enable optimal completion of all aspects of student training.

MSTP@mednet.ucla.edu 310-794-1817

mstp.healthsciences.edu

PRIME-LA (Leadership and Advocacy)

Degrees: MD + Master's

UCLA PRIME is a five-year dual degree program focusing on the development of leaders in medicine addressing policy, care and research in health care for the underserved. The dual degree program leads to a MD and a Masters in areas that complement the mission of the program.

These might include MBA, MPH or Master in Public Policy. The cohort will be composed of approximately 18 students. Students will identify with one of two programs: PRIME Westwood (14) or PRIME-Drew (4). Each program will coordinate with the others but acceptance will be to PRIME-LA.

Primela@mednet.ucla.edu 310-794-5912

medsch.ucla.edu/uclaprime

UCLA/Drew Medical Education Program

Degrees: MD

The mission of the College of Medicine is to provide education, research and clinical service in the context of community engagement in order to train physician leaders who promote wellness, who provide care with excellence and compassion and who are committed to transforming the health of diverse and underserved communities. Students matriculate with the David Geffen School of Medicine and complete their pre-clerkship coursework at the UCLA campus and clinical rotations in South LA and surrounding underserved communities.

medadmissions@cdrewu.edu 323-563-4978

cdrewu.edu/com

Summer and post-baccalaureate programs

UCLA Pre-medical/Pre-dental Enrichment Program

medschool.ucla.edu/current-ucla-prep

UCLA Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP)

medschool.ucla.edu/current-ucla-shpep

UCLA Reapplication Program

medschool.ucla.edu/current-ucla-rap

"At the David Geffen School of Medicine, we are united in a shared purpose to empower students to become physicians committed to excellence and leaders in innovation, research, health, education, advocacy and humanistic care."

— Clarence Braddock III, MD, MPH

Vice Dean for Education, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA





Admissions

Successful applicants will have obtained a Bachelor’s degree from a US or Canadian college, or the equivalent, by completing at minimum three years of undergraduate or graduate level college coursework. We adhere to the principle that college years not only prepare students for professional schools but also provide opportunities for creative intellectual engagement and experiences that promote enthusiasm for lifelong learning and engender psychosocial maturity. We recommend applicants demonstrate the following competencies through the successful completion of the suggested college-level course work. The fundamental knowledge gained via this coursework lays the foundation that helps support success in medical school. Please note AP credit is acceptable.

Cost of tuition & fees 2019–20 only

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3 (Summer)	Year 3	Year 4
In-State Tuition & Fees*	\$42,266	\$42,266	\$4,012	\$42,266	\$42,266
Out-of-State Tuition & Fees*	\$54,511	\$54,511	\$4,012	\$54,511	\$54,511

Please note, living and other expenses are additional. Visit the admissions website for more information: medschool.ucla.edu/current-student-budget

UCLA offers campus housing. Learn more about the application process and requirements: housing.ucla.edu

*Tuition & Fees are subject to change. Visit the Registrar’s Office website for more information: registrar.ucla.edu/Fees-Residence/Overview

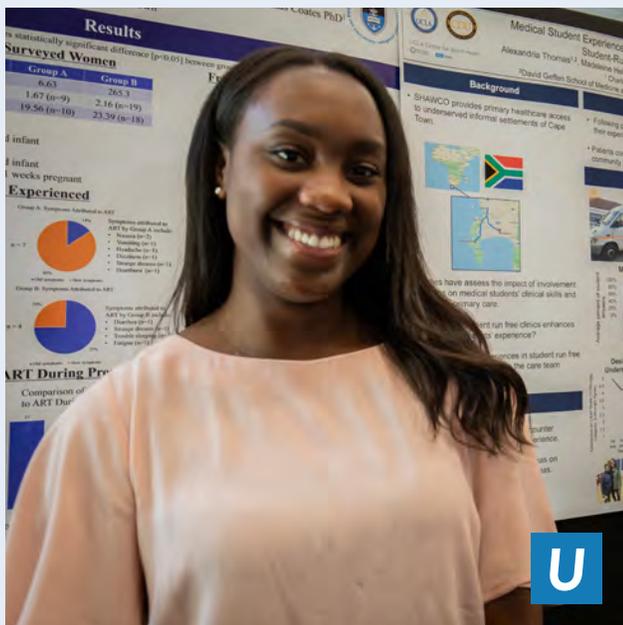
Merit-based scholarship

- David Geffen Medical Scholarships cover the entire cost of education for qualifying medical students.
- Our Leaders of Tomorrow Scholars Program pays full tuition for outstanding students, as well as a research stipend.
- The LA Care Scholarship covers the entire cost of education for qualifying students.

The DGSOM Financial Aid Office emails information/instructions on applying for financial aid to all entering medical students who have been accepted to the David Geffen School of Medicine. Medical student financial aid applicants are invited to apply for need-based scholarships, in addition to student loans, by providing both student and parent income and asset information on the financial aid application. This practice of utilizing parent financial information to calculate need allows for the equitable awarding of DGSOM’s need-based aid. For more information, visit the Financial Aid website: medschool.ucla.edu/current-financial-aid-scholarships or email the Financial Aid office: fao@mednet.ucla.edu.



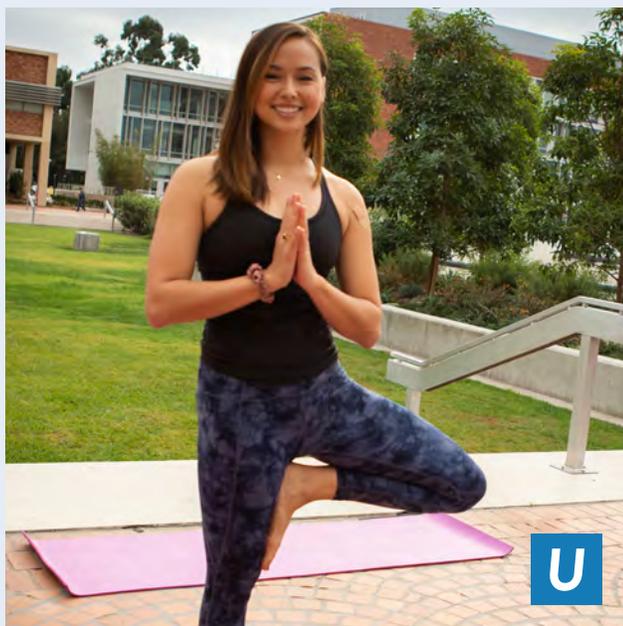
Student life



"I went to Cape Town, South Africa for the summer and worked in the student-run clinics," says Alexandria Thomas, a UCLA/Drew medical student presenting her research at a poster fair.



Kevin Perez, a second-year medical student participated in Grad Games. "Grad Games is a friendly competition with all the graduate schools. We brought the trophy home, back to the medical school."



Kera Kwan, a first-year student at the David Geffen School of Medicine teaches sunrise yoga.



Jessica Cranston, a first-year student attending the Wilderness Medicine Workshop.

Student opportunity

DGSOM boasts more than 70 student-run organizations including the Medical Student Council, UCLA Beat (Literary magazine), mobile and student-run homeless clinics, career specialty interest groups, and campus chapters of national organizations. For more information, visit medschool.ucla.edu/current-student-organizations

Resources

Career and Well-being Advisor

Our career advisors help students in deciding a specialty choice, and serve as liaisons to direct students through the proper channels to maximize their educational experiences. Well-being advisors are available to help students keep fit, healthy and happy.

Learning Skills

Our learning skills advisor assists students in establishing good study practices, effective test taking skills, and strategies to help them in facing the medical school curriculum confidently and successfully.

Research Advisor

Our research advisor is available to help students explore research opportunities. Examples are listed below:

Year-Long Fellowships:

- Howard Hughes Medical Research Fellows
- Doris Duke International Clinical Research Fellowship

Summer Opportunities:

- Short Term Training Program (STTP)
- Department of Internal Medicine Chiefs' Fellowship
- Summer Urban Fellowship
- American Federation of Aging Research (AFAR-MSTAR)
- Hospital Administration Summer Fellowship
- Charles Wacker Memorial Fellowship
- Jim Slotnick Fellowship
- Reiger Psychiatry Fellowship

Global Health Education Programs

The Global Health Education Programs through the UCLA Center for World Health offers a variety of educational programs for UCLA medical students, including classroom-based learning and field-based research and clinical experiences with our partner institutions in low- and middle-income countries within Africa and Asia.

Accessible Education

The Center for Accessible Education (CAE) offers services to meet the unique educational needs of regularly enrolled UCLA students with documented permanent and temporary disabilities. The philosophy and mission of the program is to encourage independence, assist students in realizing their academic potential, and to facilitate the elimination of programmatic and attitudinal barriers.

Students in need of an academic accommodation based on a permanent or temporary disability should contact the CAE prior to the start of coursework and/or education activity in which an accommodation is required. The CAE will recommend appropriate academic accommodations to the School of Medicine. The School of Medicine may require additional assessment or evaluation in consultation with the CAE in order to confirm if student is able to meet the technical standards.

To schedule an appointment with the CAE, call 310-825-1501 or visit cae.ucla.edu

Distinguished faculty

Nationally ranked

The David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA placed No. 5 in primary care and tied for No. 6 in research in a widely watched ranking released March 12.

Results of the annual U.S. News and World Report survey of medical schools highlighted the UCLA medical school's position among the nation's best.

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Members

National Academy
of Medicine

17

Members

National Academy
of Sciences

6

Investigators

Howard Hughes
Medical Institute

18

Members

American Society for
Clinical Investigation

A new curriculum for a new age

UCLA DGSOM is initiating a curriculum transformation, which will be ushered in August 2020 and finalized in the subsequent year. Entering MD students will experience a redesigned first-year introducing the foundations of this dynamic new curriculum, which will empower students to become physicians committed to excellence and leaders in innovation, research, health, education, advocacy and humanistic care.

Follow us on our journey to creating the new curriculum:
medschool.ucla.edu/md-curriculum-redesign

Key features

- Early Authentic Clinical Experience
- Flexibility in Pathways
- Ability to Customize & Differentiate
- Integrated Basic Science with Clinical Experience

MD Curriculum

	2020 July			2021 January			May		
MS I	Intro to the Profession	Human Body & Disease (Blocks 1 & 2)		Break (2 weeks)	Human Body & Disease (Blocks 3 – 5)		Comprehensive Assessment	Break	
		Threads (Anatomy, Biochemistry, Clinical Reasoning, Genetics & Genomics, Ophthalmology, Pharmacology)			Threads (Anatomy, Biochemistry, Clinical Reasoning, Genetics & Genomics, Ophthalmology, Pharmacology)				
		Foundations of Practice (Clinical Skills, Doctoring, Preceptorship)			Foundations of Practice (Clinical Skills, Doctoring, Preceptorship)				
	2021 July			2022 January			June		
MS II	Break	Human Body & Disease (Blocks 6 – 9)		Break (2 weeks)	Human Body & Disease (Blocks 6 – 9)		Independent Study	Clinical Foundations	Clerkships
		Threads (Anatomy, Biochemistry, Clinical Reasoning, Genetics & Genomics, Ophthalmology, Pharmacology)			Threads (continues)				
		Foundations of Practice (Clinical Skills, Doctoring, Preceptorship)			Foundations of Practice (continues)				
	2022 July			2023 January			June		
MS III	Clerkships: Surgery (12 weeks), Pediatrics (6 weeks), OBGYN (6 weeks), Internal Medicine (8 weeks), Psychiatry/Neurology(8 weeks), Ambulatory/Family Medicine (8 weeks)		Break (2 weeks)	Clerkships: Surgery (12 weeks), Pediatrics (6 weeks), OBGYN (6 weeks), Internal Medicine (8 weeks), Psychiatry/Neurology(8 weeks), Ambulatory/Family Medicine (8 weeks)		Clinical Foundations	Electives		
	Systems Based Healthcare				Colleges				
	Longitudinal Radiology Course								
	Longitudinal Preceptorship								
	Continuity Experience								
	2023 July			2024 January			June		
MS IV	Electives	Electives	Electives	Residency Interviews	Electives	Foundations for Internship	Match	Electives	Graduation
				Electives	Residency Interviews				
Colleges (Academic Medicine Applied Anatomy Acute Care Primary Care Urban Underserved)									



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