



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

College of Medicine

Tucson

Deferral of Admission Policy

With the limited number of positions that can be offered to prospective medical students, The University of Arizona College of Medicine expects that students accepted to the College of Medicine will matriculate in the year in which they are accepted. Thus, prospective students should only apply if they anticipate being able to accept admission in the year offered. However, under limited circumstances, accepted students may request a one-year deferral of matriculation for a maximum of one year. The request must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director of Admissions by June 1 of the acceptance year. Examples of circumstances for which deferrals may be granted include:

Illness

Unanticipated family hardship

A meaningful educational opportunity (i.e. Fulbright, Rhodes, or Marshal scholarship)

Completion of military service

AMCAS requires all accepted students who are granted deferrals submit a new AMCAS application for the year they will be entering no later than the school's application deadline. The deferred student is not required to pay a fee to AMCAS if they are committing to The University of Arizona College of Medicine Tucson and will not be applying to other schools during the application cycle. Note: If the student intends to apply to other medical schools, the deferred student is responsible for all AMCAS fees associated with their application and forfeits the deferred admission to the University of Arizona.

To activate the acceptance for admission in the subsequent academic year, the deferred student must accept their offer of acceptance during the application cycle that they have submitted a deferred application for. In addition, it is expected that the student will submit a statement of activities during the deferral year and official transcripts for any academic work attempted or completed since the commencement of the deferral year no later than June 1st of the matriculation year.

If the student does not activate their acceptance to the University of Arizona College of Medicine Tucson within the acceptance decision deadline, their acceptance will be withdrawn. If they wish to reapply, they must complete a new AMCAS application, including new supporting documents and pay the required fees. Reapplication will be competitive with all other applicants. Again, students who are contemplating pursuing other academic degrees or travel should strongly consider delaying application until they are ready to matriculate if accepted into The University of Arizona College of Medicine Tucson.

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