

Transfer Student Policy

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The University of Arizona College of Medicine will consider requests for transfer into the third year of the educational program from students who currently are enrolled in a LCME-accredited US or Canadian allopathic medical school. Opportunities for transfer are limited; therefore, openings in any given year cannot be guaranteed.

Background:

Accreditation standards require that the College has a clear policy regarding requests to transfer to the University of Arizona by medical students who are currently enrolled at other medical schools. This statement of policy must be identical for both campuses.

Relevant Standards:

MS-12. The resources used by an institution that offers a medical education program to accommodate the requirements of any visiting and transfer medical students must not significantly diminish the resources available to already enrolled medical students.

MS-13. A medical education program must ensure that any potential transfer student demonstrates academic achievements and other relevant characteristics comparable to those of the medical students in the class that he or she would join.

MS-14. A medical education program must ensure that prior coursework taken by a medical student who is accepted for transfer or admission with advanced standing is compatible with the coursework at the level of the program to be entered.

MS-15. A medical education program should accept a transfer medical student into the final year of a medical education program only in rare and extraordinary personal or educational circumstances.