

**Application Timeline for Bard Students and Alumni applying to
Medical School (allopathic, osteopathic) and Dental Programs**

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<p align="center">September- January</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Login to Handshake to schedule an appointment with the Pre-professional Health Career Adviser to discuss your plans and open your file <input type="checkbox"/> Open a file in the Career Development Office <input type="checkbox"/> Start requesting letters of recommendations <input type="checkbox"/> Formalize your plan for studying for the MCAT/DAT and register for the test <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Plan to take the MCAT/DAT by the end of June <input type="checkbox"/> Review "Getting Organized" on the AAMC website <input type="checkbox"/> Registration for all January-June 2024 MCAT test dates is open
<p align="center">January 17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The AAMC PREview® professional readiness exam registration opens
<p align="center">January 31</p>	<p>You must request at least three letters of recommendation from Bard faculty for your file (two from the sciences and one additional letter from any faculty member)</p>
<p align="center">February- March</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Start thinking about your personal statement <input type="checkbox"/> Start compiling your list of activities <input type="checkbox"/> February 27, 2024: MCAT Registration for the July-September 2024; these test dates are typical for those planning to apply next year or later, not in the upcoming application cycle.
<p align="center">April-June</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Begin researching schools using the MSAR and create a list of potential schools <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule a time to meet with the pre-professional health career adviser to discuss your school list, activities and/or for personal statement review <input type="checkbox"/> Typical MCAT testing time frame for those entering the next cycle <p>Forward Test Scores:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Administered by the AAMC, scores are automatically sent to AMCAS <input type="checkbox"/> Request that your scores be sent to AACOMAS and/or TMSAS <input type="checkbox"/> AADSAS request scores be sent at the time of testing
<p align="center">May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Register for the centralized application service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ May 1, 2024: AMCAS (MD) begin filling out the application ❖ May 6, 2024 AACOMAS (DO) submission opens ❖ AADSAS (Dental) submission opens ❖ TMSAS (Texas Medical and Dental Schools) application is available online <input type="checkbox"/> Request transcripts to be sent to the application service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Review the instructions: AMCAS, AACOMAS, AADSAS ❖ TMSAS will send a request to you when they want your transcripts ❖ Use the National Student Clearing House to send transcripts (choose "electronic" under "delivery method") <input type="checkbox"/> Be sure to have transcripts sent to the centralized application service from any college level work you have done (not just Bard) <input type="checkbox"/> May 28, 2024: AMCAS application opens for submission

<p>June</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ AMCAS: Send a PDF of the Letter of Recommendation Request form to lkooperman@bard.edu ❖ Request the committee letter through ADDSAS/AACOMAS/TMDSAS using lkooperman@bard.edu ❖ June 28, 2024: AMCAS submission to medical schools
<p>June 1</p>	<p>Letters of recommendation due in the Career Development Office</p>
<p>June 30</p>	<p>In order to receive a committee letter of recommendation, the following items have to be satisfied. Otherwise, the committee reserves the right to not provide a formal composite letter of evaluation. The individual letters of recommendation in your file will be forwarded to the schools with an accompanying generic cover letter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ you must have requested at least three letters of recommendation from Bard faculty; ❖ your primary application must be submitted to the respective administrative service; ❖ and you must have completed the MCAT by the end of June of the year you are applying
<p>July-December</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Submit secondary applications; don't wait for the deadlines to submit...early is better</p>
<p>August 1</p>	<p>Early Decision (ED) deadlines</p>
<p>August-February</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Respond to interview invitations <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule a mock interview with the Pre-Professional Health Career Adviser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Please wait for an interview invitation before scheduling so we know how to prepare for it. Schools have different interview formats. <input type="checkbox"/> Send thank you emails to interviewers
<p>September</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ AACOMAS Academic Update (Coursework) Periods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Sept. 2, 2024 – Oct. 11, 2024 ➢ Dec. 16, 2024 – Feb. 14, 2025 ➢ Mar. 17, 2025 – Apr. 11, 2025
<p>October</p>	<p>Acceptance notifications begin and ED notifications are sent out</p>
<p>January</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Send fall transcripts to allopathic schools directly <input type="checkbox"/> Refer to academic update periods for DO programs <input type="checkbox"/> Send any significant updates to schools you are waiting to hear from
<p>February 19</p>	<p>Medical schools can run an aggregate report to find out how many applicants in their pool have selected "Plan to Enroll" at their school versus another school.</p>
<p>April 15 Beginning April 30 April 30</p>	<p>Applicant protocols ask applicants to narrow their acceptance offers to three. Applicants holding more than three offers should narrow their offers of acceptance to three, with no limit on alternate-list offers. Review the Choose your Medical School Tool</p> <p>Accepted applicants will have two options to select: "Plan to Enroll" and "Commit to Enroll." Selecting "Commit to Enroll" indicates that the applicant has made a final selection and withdrawn all other applications.</p> <p>Medical schools can run detailed reports to identify accepted and alternate-list applicants who have selected "Plan to Enroll" or "Commit to Enroll" at their school versus another school.</p>