

Pre-Med

In annual surveys conducted since 1972, Evergreen graduates who have applied to medical school have achieved an 85% placement rate in medical schools around the nation.

Medical schools where Evergreen students have been accepted include:

University of Chicago
Stanford University
University of Washington
U.C.-Davis, San Diego and San Francisco
New York University
Georgetown University
Albert Einstein School of Medicine
McGill University
University of Michigan

Medical schools are looking for students who have demonstrated strength in communications, human relations, natural and physical sciences, and commitment to being a doctor. They test their applicants in several ways—all important:

They look for an acceptably high score on the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT).

Most medical schools demand an intensive interview before accepting any students, an interview during which they probe your motivation, your knowledge of the medical profession, and your readiness to undertake the arduous, detailed training of a medical school.

They examine your transcript to be sure you have taken the necessary coursework in the sciences, and that your work has been of high quality.

Evergreen works hard to help you meet these tests and to perform well on them, and it does so in ways that genuinely distinguish our graduates as applicants for medical school. Here's how:

Seminars

Seminars—the heart of Evergreen—give you the opportunity to discuss thoughtfully what you are learning, to challenge and develop ideas, and to sharpen your communication skills. From your freshman year on you will be involved in seminars, and through these seminars you will gain confidence in your abilities to address complex problems productively and to express yourself forcefully and cogently. These are the skills you will need in practice, in many situations in medical school, and—most particularly—in facing that crucial medical school admissions interview.

Interdisciplinary Programs

Interdisciplinary science programs present the biology, organic chemistry, physiology, physics and mathematics you will need, not in separate packages, but integrated with each other, just as they are necessarily integrated in the study and practice of medicine. You learn all the essential facts and theories, and you also learn their applications and how to use this knowledge in the analysis and solution of scientific problems. You learn in small groups, with a great deal of interaction with your faculty and fellow students. Your learning of science is also integrated with philosophy, ethics, history, computer programming and literature. You work in concentrated programs which allow you to complete many of the science requirements in one full year, leaving time to gain strength in other subjects, to do further advanced science and to explore important subjects outside the sciences.

All of this is useful as you work toward competence in analysis and diagnosis, and it definitely equips you to demonstrate the usefulness of your knowledge in interviews, letters and discussions.

For detailed information about our interdisciplinary programs, please read our catalog and talk with an Admissions counselor.

See in particular these interdisciplinary programs:

“The Awakening Mind-Spirit”
“Chaos, Calculus and Confucius”

“What's Cooking?: Food & Human Culture”

“Human Health and Behavior”

“Science of Mind”

“Foundations of Natural Science”

“Matter and Motion”

“Molecule to Organism”

and the descriptions for the Health Science and Laboratory Biology pathways.

Internships, Independent Study and Senior Thesis

These projects can give you practical experience and special research skills through which you can match theory with practice, and explore in depth your interests in the medical profession. Evergreen students have done internships with clinics, hospitals and health delivery systems in the U.S. and abroad. These students often report that their first-hand knowledge of medical problems and practice has proven to be the crucial edge they had as applicants to medical school.

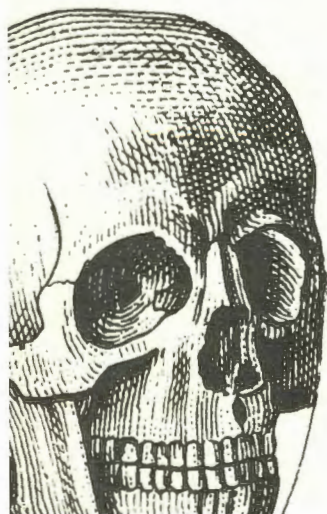
Advising Services

A number of Evergreen faculty maintain contacts with medical schools and make it their business to advise students in putting together an undergraduate education tailor-made for each student's interests and desire to enter medical school. The Academic Advising Office can put you in contact with these faculty as your advisors, and with their help you can create the kind of undergraduate record and transcript which properly equips you for medical school. If you have chosen a field of study, if you are undecided, or if you change your mind later, our advisors can assist you in making appropriate plans.

Facilities

Access to facilities is a major priority at Evergreen. You will be able to use facilities usually reserved for graduate students. You will have extensive opportunities to work in science labs, with such advanced equipment as a scanning electron microscope; in a well stocked library, with an immense reference and index collection; in our most up-to-date computer facilities—and the list goes on.

The Evergreen State College
Olympia, Washington



Transcripts

The Evergreen transcript is a series of detailed narrative evaluations of your progress through Evergreen, not just a list of courses and grades. The medical schools you apply to will be able to learn not only what you took and how well you did, but also extensive details about these offerings and detailed accounts of your progress, interests and deepening knowledge. If you score acceptably well on the MCAT these transcripts can be examined carefully by the medical school you apply to and the specificity and individuality of your Evergreen transcript can be a major factor in the decision to invite you for an interview. The medical school will really know who you are and exactly what you have done.

The Learning Environment

Evergreen challenges you to think independently and creatively. You will find that your teachers encourage you to develop your potential and your interests as a student by working productively with others rather than competing with them. Evergreen faculty provide written evaluations rather than grades to reflect your achievements.

Career Development

The Career Development Office offers assistance in career guidance, job or graduate school search, resume writing, application procedures and testing.

Practice MCAT tests are given and you might join an MCAT study group.

The counselors in this office want to get to know you soon after your arrival on campus and can be of great service to you as you plan your education.

Evergreen is a public, liberal arts college of 3000 students, offering Bachelor's and Master's degrees. Tuition is \$537 per quarter for Washington state residents and \$1883 per quarter for non-residents.

For further information about Evergreen and for help in planning your studies in **Pre-Med** studies, please contact:

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