Assessing My Competitiveness for Acceptance to Medical School

**OBJECTIVE**

- **MCAT** - UASOM Class Average for Matriculating Applicants = 29.2-30.2
  - Minimal Total MCAT Score Given Consideration = 24
- **GPA** - UASOM Average Overall GPA and BCPM GPA
  - Overall GPA – UASOM Matriculating Applicants: 3.70-3.73
  - BCPM GPA – UASOM Matriculating Applicants: 3.70-3.71
- Rigors of Academic Curriculum, Science and Other Courses
- Composite Letter/Pre-Professional Committee Letter

**SUBJECTIVE**

- Desirable Personal Attributes
  - Honesty, Integrity, Emotional Maturity, Empathy/Compassion,
  - Industry/Motivation, Sense of Purpose, Personal Warmth, Healthy Sense of Humor,
  - Resilience
- Communication Skills/Personal Interview
  - Overall ability to communicate effectively and specific ability to convey a realistic and meaningful account of one's interest in medicine
- Service/Volunteer Activities
  - Evidence of a Demonstrated Concern for Others through a pattern of ongoing service
- Medical Related Experience/Shadowing
  - To Develop an Understanding of What Happens When Doctors and Patients Interact
  - To better understand What Becoming a Physician Would Mean to Me
  - Shadowing is ESSENTIAL to be Considered Competitive for Admission
- Research Experience/Interest in Academic Medicine
- Leadership Roles/Special Talents or Abilities
- Other Extracurricular Activities/Campus Involvement
- Contribution to a Diverse and Creative Class Experience
- Potential to Meet Unmet Medical Service Needs
- Letters of Recommendation

Notice to applicants: Feedback from the Admissions Committee is provided as a service to applicants to aid them in potentially strengthening their applications for the coming admissions year. It is important to be aware that there is no assurance that the applicant will be admitted if all items of feedback are addressed by the applicant. Since each application year is a different experience and the applicant will be evaluated in light of the applicant pool each admissions year, addressing the recommended improvements may not be adequate to achieve admission in a subsequent year. Given the number of variables in the admissions process it is impossible to predict with certainty that an applicant will be successful based on addressing identified areas of weakness in their applications. Re-applicants are advised to maintain ongoing medically related and service activities in order to be competitive. Commitment to becoming a physician is demonstrated by continued actions to improve one's application.