INTERNAL MEDICAL LINKAGE
APPLICATION DEADLINES AND CHECKLIST 2020-2021

Deadline I: Wednesday, September 30, 2020
• The components of this online application include biographical and academic information, a photograph, resume, essays, work and activities entries, and the universal waiver for letters of recommendation.
• Submission of the linkage program essay by this date is optional (it must be submitted by Wed., Dec. 1, 2020).
• AAMC ID number: To complete the online application, prospective medical school applicants must provide their AAMC ID number. An AAMC ID number can be acquired at any time. To register with the AAMC, click the Sign In link in the top-right of the AMCAS home page (aamc.org/students/applying/amcas/) then click Register for an AAMC Account and complete and submit the on-line registration form.

§ When registering for an AAMC ID or for the MCAT, students should be vigilant about the name under which they register. The name on the ID documents presented at the test site must match the registration name exactly. J. Mary Smith is not the same as Mary Smith or Jane Mary Smith.

Deadline II: Tuesday, December 1, 2020
• Letters of recommendations from all recommenders (except fall 2020 term faculty) must be received by this date.
• First draft of your AMCAS personal statement.
• Documentation of hours of clinical work to date (minimum of 90 hours by December 2020).
• The linkage program essay, formatted according to the guidelines found in the document entitled “Internal Application Uploads and Essays” (if not previously submitted).
• The COVID-19 essay discussed in the Internal Application Essays document under “Optional Essay” (this is required).

§§ Prospective linkage nominees are encouraged to initiate their AMCAS applications for 2021 by this date; and, having done so, to have all their transcripts (with the exception of Columbia) submitted to AMCAS accompanied by the Transcript Request Form.

Notification of Nomination for Linkage: by Fri., Jan. 15, 2021
• Pending receipt of fall grades.

Deadline to Accept a Linkage Nomination: Tues., Jan. 19, 2021 (except where a linkage school may require an earlier decision.)

Deadline to Submit Letters of Recommendation from Fall 2020 faculty: Fri., Jan. 22, 2021 (except where instructed otherwise.)

PLEASE KEEP THIS CHECKLIST HANDY AND USE IT.

Students are advised to make copies of all materials prepared and submitted to the Premedical Office.