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Welcome from Dr. Vineet Arora, new Dean for Medical Education

Financial Aid Updates – Richard Wilson, Associate Director of Financial Aid
1) 2021-2022 Disbursement Dates
   Summer: 6/21/2021
   Autumn: 9/24/2021
   Winter: 12/24/2021
   Spring: 3/22/2022
   a. If your Summer disbursement has not been received, it could be that you have not accepted your student loans for the year. Use the student portal to do this. If this is not the issue, reach out to Richard and/or Bethany.
2) Loan repayment strategy sessions with Richard
   a. Typically start in Fall but can begin as soon as you would like to start reviewing available repayment options after graduation
   b. Sign up: https://calendly.com/rtwilson/30min
3) Travel costs related to residency application
   a. Still uncertain what costs may exists, depending on how programs conduct interviews/visits
   b. If you do encounter costs/expenses related to residency application and need assistance, feel free to reach out to Richard

Bias/Mistreatment Reporting System – Dr. Woodruff
1) Real-time Bias Reporting System that parallels the mistreatment reporting is now live and also houses mistreatment reporting we'll be doing in the coming year
   a. Both reporting systems are available on the Student Treatment Policy page; includes explanations and examples of mistreatment and bias (view the recording for more)

ERAS Overview: KEY SLIDESHOW POINTS
Please view the slideshow posted online for a full walk-through of ERAS.

Here are some key points:

1) ERAS and the NRMP are two different things. You must register for both. (Slide 12)

2) Your profile section is the only thing you can update in ERAS *after* submitting applications. Profile data includes contact information, couples match information, NRMP ID, and AOA/GHHS status. You will receive notice about AOA or GHHS before the September 1 ERAS application opening. (Slide 16)

3) Once you register for the NRMP—registration opens September 15—you should put your NRMP ID number into your ERAS application. (Slide 17)

a. Ophthalmology and urology match students still need to register with the NRMP and ERAS for their preliminary programs.

4) Your BLS certification likely expires in June 2022 if you did it during Clinical Biennium. (Slide 18)

5) Formatting your application: stay consistent with your descriptions. We recommend using semicolons or periods between phrases in free text boxes instead of bullet points, which will not show up on your application—whatever you choose, stay consistent. (Slide 23)

6) Education – Remember: You will graduate in **June** 2022, not May. (Slide 21)

7) The "Training" and "Medical Licenses" sections do not apply to you; you can skip them. (Slide 24)

8) Always add a "reason for leaving" under your experience section, even if it's something like, "Experience ended" or "One-year term was up". Never give someone a reason to guess why you left; make it as clear as possible. (Slide 25)

9) If you took a leave of absence or research year and are having trouble figuring out how to describe it, ask Tyler or Dr. Woodruff. (Slide 30)

10) If you cannot answer "Yes" to this question, contact Dr. Woodruff immediately (Slide 31)

11) Keep in mind when you are filling out your ERAS application that you are in essence writing another CV. Use the "View/Print MyERAS Application" link to download and proofread your application. (Slide 38)

12) **Be incredibly clear when you label your LORs and Personal Statements**. Program Directors will not see how you label your documents—just make sure you know which documents you want to assign to which programs. (Slide 41)

13) If your letter was written by a specialty advisor but signed by the Chair of the department (or the Chair and someone else), it is still considered a Chair's letter and you should mark it as such. The Chair should be the letter author. Additionally, you should waive your right to view the letter. (Slide 45)

14) To submit your USMLE scores, you must click the "Authorize Release" button. All of the scores that are available at the time you pay for your USMLE transcript through ERAS will be released. When your Step 2 scores come in, you can go back into ERAS and retransmit your scores at no additional cost. If you are concerned about your potential Step 2 score, you may want to take Step 2 later in the season and re-release your scores after you are done interviewing. If you are having trouble figuring out

whether to retransmit your scores when you receive your Step 2 score, talk to Dr. Woodruff or your Career Advisor. (Slide 52-53)

15) Using AAMC Apply Smart Data + NRMP residency Explorer tool. Remember: One size does not fit all here. View the recording for more discussion of how to utilize this data (Slides 55-57)

16) If the fees for applying to ERAS or the NRMP are cost-prohibitive, please talk to the financial aid office about working this in with financial aid. (Slide 65)

17) You do not have to give the Dean's Office permission to view your application. That is up to you. Doing so does NOT delay your application in any way, nor does it give anyone at Pritzker access to view your Letters of Recommendation. (Slide 71).

18) ERAS Supplemental Applications – Some programs in Internal Medicine, Dermatology, and General Surgery will use as supplemental application in ERAS this year. We will advise further when we know more (Slides 74-75)

Important Dates

September 1	Early opening for MD applicants to certify and submit their applications in advance of the Sept. 29 release date to programs
September 1	Target date for SF Ophthalmology Match application submission (but we recommend submitting earlier)
September 15	Target deadline for ensuring all LORs are uploaded to ERAS
September 15	Applicants can begin registering for NRMP (the Match organization) at 11 am CST
September 21	**MS4 Class Meeting #3, 5:00-7:00pm: _Interviewing for Residency_, A panel discussion with Program Directors**
September 29	ERAS applications and MSPEs released via ERAS to NRMP and San Francisco Match (i.e. the day they are sent to programs)
November 24	AUA rank list submissions open
December 1	PSOM deadline to take USMLE exams
Mid-December	Military Match rank deadline

December 29	AUA applicant registration deadline
Late December	Military Match results are available
January 12, 2022	AUA rank list deadline
January 18	**MS4 Class Meeting #4, 5:00-6:30pm: *Preparing Your Rank List***
January 31	Applicant standard registration deadline for NRMP (late registration = extra fee)
February 1	SF Match rank list deadline
February 1	AUA Match results available
February 1	NRMP rank list submissions open at 11 am CT
February 8	SF Match results available
March 2	NRMP rank list deadline at 8 pm CT
March 14	Match Week starts
March 18	**Match Day!**

Residency Web Resources

Pritzker's Road to Residency

https://pritzker.uchicago.edu/resources/road-residency

> *The Road to Residency webpages are regularly updated, and contain information about Career Advising, LOR cover sheets, PowerPoints from class meetings, guidelines, links, and more. If you would like to see something added to the Residency webpages, please contact Tyler Lockman (tlockman@bsd.uchicago.edu)*

ERAS (Electronic Residency Application Service)

http://www.aamc.org/eras

NRMP (National Residency Matching Program)

http://www.nrmp.org

AUA (American Urological Association)

http://www.auanet.org/

San Francisco Early Matching Program

http://www.sfmatch.org

FREIDA (Fellowship & Residency Program Database)

http://www.ama-assn.org/go/freida

Military Match

http://www.militarygme.org

NBME (National Board of Medical Examiners)

http://www.nbme.org

USMLE (United States Medical Licensing Exam)

http://www.usmle.org

Student Recommended:

Rotating Room

http://rotatingroom.com/

> Review: "This site was inspired by the frustration of subletting rooms during fourth year away rotations, and hopes to replace random Craigslist searches and incessant mailing list spam