MS4 Class Meeting No. 4: Creating Your Rank List

Monday, Jan. 22, 2024 – 5:00 p.m.

Zoom

Welcome

HEDI – Melissa Harrell Robinson
- Bowman Lecture – Thursday, Feb. 22, 5 p.m. – Dr. Garth Walker, CMO for Rush Health and Digital Health Solutions
  o Topic: “Centering Health Equity and Social Determinants of Health to Impact Patients and Health Systems”
- Reach out for support or meetings with HEDI! Melissa is in office Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (virtual meetings on Friday). Dr. Davenport will set up appointments by email. Dr. Oyola is in the BSLC suite on Fridays (email or drop in)

Curriculum Update – Dr. Wolfson

Scholarship & Discovery Updates
- Three things everyone must deliver by **Friday March 22, 2024 at noon:**
  o E-poster – can be updated version of MS2 work or a new project
  o Abstract – Must be the same as the poster above (min 300 word, max 500 word)
  o MS4 Reflection survey (REDCap) coming March 1
    o If you completed your primary S&D project at the end of MS2 and submitted a poster, updates/edits to that will be accepted for graduation requirements. **However,** some of you are *required* to submit your MS4 work, including anyone receiving 300 units of credits in MS4 year for a scholarly project. This also includes anyone who received a senior research fellowship (Fentress or Arnold).
- If you anticipate challenges with your final submission (e.g. not having data), reach out to the S&D team ASAP

Senior Scientific Session Update
- Survey coming re: participation
- Some are required to participate (Fentress, Arnold)
- Must submit updated Abstract and poster in April for SSS so S&D team knows what is going into the program booklet
- RedCap Survey will allow you indicate if April submission is a work in progress; there will be a hard deadline around **May 1** for final abstracts so we can create the Abstract book
Graduation Updates

- Stole of Gratitude – Pritzker will purchase one of these for each graduate to bestow on a family member, friend, etc. at graduation. Additional stoles will be available for purchase. **Order form coming to you tonight**

- A call will go out soon for those interested in writing Gratitude Remarks to be recited at the Drake Dinner

- Graduation website: [https://voices.uchicago.edu/pritzergraduation/](https://voices.uchicago.edu/pritzergraduation/)
  - Check to-do list regularly!
  - Fill out the [Faculty & Resident Recognition Survey](https://voices.uchicago.edu/pritzergraduation/)!  
  - FAQ page will also answer many common questions

Financial Aid Updates – Richard Wilson

- Richard could not join tonight’s meeting but will be emailing you all soon with updates on loan repayment strategy meetings and final disbursements

Pritzker Chiefs’ Updates –

- Match Week
  - Chiefs will send an email soon with polls regarding Match Week events – keep an eye out for this and please respond!
  - Senior Superlatives Google form + call for baby photos coming soon too!
- Senior Skit – Reach out to Leslie if you are interested in being on the Senior Skit Committee

Preparing Your Rank List – Dr. Woodruff

Residency Advising Tool

- Please update your Residency Interview Survey!
- This information helps future Pritzker students as they prepare for residency application
- Survey will close in early February
- Reach out to Tyler Lockman if you have any questions or technical issues

Pritzker Alumni Ambassador Program

- Hosted by MBSAA
- Sign up: uchicago.wisr.ir.signup
  - Select “Pritzker School of Medicine Student” as your membership type
Principles to Consider

- Do the right thing (for YOU!)
  o Be honest: Don’t pretend what you don’t feel
- Do not get distracted
  o Be thoughtful about the advice you take – there can be a lot of it, and some may be more or less sound than others
- There is more than one program for you
  o Make a commitment to thrive wherever you end up!
- You are applying for a job

NRMP/Match Violations

- Submitting your certified rank order list = binding commitment to accept an appointment if a match results and to start training in good faith
- Leaving a training program before at least 45 days is a breach of the Match Agreement
- Programs agree to select senior students of U.S. allopathic medical schools for all of their programs only through the Main Residency Match
- Applicants and programs can express interest in each other but cannot make deals
- Neither you nor programs can require disclosure of ranking plans or intentions;
  - If you feel a program may be violating the Match Agreement, reach out to Dr. Woodruff

Match Communications

- Program directors frequently send letters containing statements that can be misinterpreted by students. PDs may also call to express their level of interest
  o THESE ARE NOT BINDING STATEMENTS. Do not make decisions about your future before the Match occurs.
- Letters of Intent or Interest: These are OK and may be meaningful to some programs but less so to others
  o Do not send Letter of Intent to more than one program; only your #1
  o Wait until after ALL your interviews are complete

Overview of Rank Process

- Important Dates
  o Feb. 1, 2024: Rank List submission opens
  o Feb. 14, 2024 at 8 p.m.: Pritzker deadline to certify and submit your rank list
  o Feb. 28, 2024 at 8 p.m.: Deadline to certify and submit rank order list
  o March 11, 2024 at 9 a.m.: Did I Match? Notification by email
  o March 15, 2024: Match Day

- Rank Order List Entry
  o Refer to meeting slides for walkthrough
  o Can be entered in more than one session
- Keep a hard copy list for your records/reference
- Recommendation: Submit your rank list by Feb. 14 and don’t go back to tinker with it!
- Note: There is no standard time frame in which programs must send instructions to students about how to rank them. If you have not heard anything by Feb. 1 or shortly after, reach out to the program.

- Supplemental List Entry
  - Refer to meeting slides

- Certifying your Rank Order List
  - Refer to meeting slides

- Rank Order List Confirmation
  - PRINT A COPY of your final rank order list after submission
  - NRMP will send a confirmation to your email after you certify your rank order list
  - Pritzker staff will be able to confirm if your match status is CERTIFIED ROL on the NRMP website (Tyler will be monitoring this closely!)

- How the Match Algorithm Works
  - Refer to recording or meeting slides

- Dean’s Ranking Advice
  - Meet with you career advisor to discuss strategy
  - Aim high and rank all programs at which you interviewed: the algorithm favors you
    - The algorithm starts with your ranking
    - Ranking a “Reach” program high does not reduce your chances of matching at programs further down your rank list; those programs will not know if you ranked other programs higher than them
  - Take advantage of the 20 FREE ranks!
  - The #1 reason students don’t match is because they didn’t rank enough programs
  - Even if a program says “We will rank you #1” this is NOT A GUARANTEE
  - Do not wait until March 1st to certify! Aim for Feb. 14 or at least one week before
  - Trust us: You do NOT want to go through the SOAP
    - When should you not rank a program?
      - Only when you would rather be unmatched than be at that program

- Getting your Match Results
  - Monday, March 11 at 9:00 a.m.: Applicants can log into NRMP R3 system to learn their Match status (not their Match)

- SOAP: Supplementary Offer and Acceptance Program
  - Not a second match; It is a series of offers by program
  - Pritzker will assist any SOAP applicants
  - Positions offered/accepted during SOAP establish a binding commitment, enforced by the Match Participation Agreement