

# Application Procedure

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All applicants must utilize the [Texas Medical & Dental Schools Application Service \(TMDSAS\)](#). TMDSAS will transmit your application before transcripts, letters or MCAT scores are uploaded. Dell Medical School will proceed with the first review, but the full application review will not occur until after those documents have been uploaded to TMDSAS and transmitted to Dell Medical School.

## First Review

In order to best use the resources of the faculty and staff, the first review is based primarily on overall GPA and GPA earned in science courses, as calculated by TMDSAS. Every application will be reviewed by a member of the Admissions Selection Committee or Admissions Office staff. This review will also consider MCAT, Socio-Economic Status (SES), graduate work or degrees, GPA trends, and other evidence of academic ability.

## Invitation to Submit Secondary Application

In an effort to give a greater number of applicants the opportunity to present themselves to Dell Medical School's admissions committee, the school uses a unique video secondary application. If selected for further consideration, the applicant receives an email invitation with details on how to prepare and submit the video through a free online portal. The secondary application consists of questions that address specific aspects of the school's mission. In a two-minute response for each question, the candidate speaks to how their experiences will help them contribute to this work. The priority deadline for the secondary application is November 15; application will be reviewed only after the secondary is submitted.

Candidates who feel they would represent themselves better in a written format are given the opportunity to request a written version of the secondary application.

## Full Review

The Full Review involves a careful reading of the entire application by two admissions staff and/or members of the Admissions Selection Committee. Each applicant will receive a ranking, relative to all other applicants in the Full Review, in eight categories:

- a. Personal attributes
- b. Life experiences
- c. Academic preparation
- d. Contribution to and fit with the [mission](#)
- e. Teamwork
- f. Community engagement
- g. Problem-solving for betterment of others
- h. Resilience

Each reviewer will then assign an overall ranking based on a summative impression of the application. The Admissions Selection Committee will utilize these rankings to determine which applicants will be invited for an interview.

## Invitation to Interview

The invitation to interview will be sent to the e-mail address submitted in the TMDSAS application. It will include a link to the website where the applicant may schedule a half day interview experience. Interviews will occur on six different days. There will be two interview sessions on each interview date; one half of the applicants in the morning and the other half in the afternoon. The morning and afternoon sessions are identical.

## Interview Day

In the week leading up to the interview, students will receive detailed information about the interview day and applicants will be provided with a clear understanding of what will happen during the interview experience.

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## Transfer Students From Other Medical Schools

The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School will strive to admit applicants and matriculate a class best suited to contribute to the mission and vision of the Dell Medical School while assuring impartiality in the admissions process. The University of Texas at Austin is committed to maintaining [Equal Educational Opportunity](#) and non-discrimination as outlined in the University policy.

## Policy

The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School permits medical students to apply for transfer into the medical education program if:

- a. Positions are available;
- b. The transfer applicant is in good standing at a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education;
- c. The transfer applicant has successfully passed Step 1 of the United States Medical Licensing Exam; and
- d. The transfer applicant demonstrates academic achievements and other attributes comparable to students admitted to the Dell Medical School.

Transfer applicants successfully admitted to the Dell Medical School much start at the beginning of the second year of the medical education program. There will be no transfer applicants considered for entry into the Dell Medical School in the third or fourth years of the education program.

[Applicants for transfer admission should contact the Office of Admissions. The final decision on transfer applications is made by the Admissions Selection Committee.](#)

[Current students that wish to transfer to another medical school should meet with the Associate Dean for Student Affairs.](#)

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## International Applicants

The Dell Medical School is not accepting international applicants at this time.