

## Overview of Med/Dent School Application Process

To be completed by Freshmen and turned in before leaving the workshop in the spring.

Refer to the “Overview of Med/Dent School Application Process” document to answer the following

1.) When do XU’s Premedical Advisers suggest that XU students apply to medical, dental, etc. school?

2.) Students who attend XU are highly encouraged to start preparing various components of their medical, dental, etc. school applications beginning in the fall of the Freshman year. Why is this important?

3.) In preparation for application to medical, dental, etc. school during the summer after junior year, Junior premeds are expected to meet INDIVIDUALLY with a Premedical Adviser a total of THREE times over the course of the fall and spring semesters. In the table below indicate what month each of the three meetings is held AND the purpose of each.

	Month Held?	Purpose?
1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting		

4.) What test must a student take if he/she plans on applying to

a.) Medical School?

b.) Dental School?

5.) When do XU’s Premedical Advisers suggest that XU students take the tests mentioned in #4 for the first (and we hope ONLY) time?

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

(OVER)

6.) What is the current registration fee for the

a.) MCAT?

b.) DAT?

7.) Students who plan on taking the MCAT are STRONGLY encouraged to enroll in the Kaplan or Princeton MCAT Reviews. Both Kaplan and Princeton offer DISCOUNTED courses on XU's campus (weekends) during the Spring semester. If a junior premed enrolled in one of the on-campus courses this semester (i.e. in preparation for the April or May MCAT), how much should he/she expect to pay?

8.) Most medical and dental schools in the U.S. do NOT accept applications directly from students. Instead, they require that you first apply through a **central application service**; subsequently, those schools that are interested in learning more about you will send you "secondary" applications that are school-specific. What is the name and acronym of the central application service a student would utilize if he/she applies to...

a.) Medical School?

b.) Osteopathic Medical School?

c.) Dental School?

d.) Veterinary School?

e.) Optometry School?

f.) Podiatry School?

g.) Public Health School?

9.) Application to medical, dental, etc. school is a relatively expensive process that can prove to be a very worthwhile investment in your future. How much does it generally cost to complete the central application and any school-specific “supplemental” applications?

10.) Who is responsible for securing and paying for lodging and travel expenses for medical, dental, etc. school interviews?

11.) Read carefully the items under “General Advice for the Application Process.” How would a BAD CREDIT HISTORY affect your application to professional school (two reasons)?

a)

b)

**Refer to “The Interview Process/Sample Questions” document to answer the following:**

12.) Evaluation to medical school generally takes place in two stages. In the first stage, admissions committees ask “Can the applicant handle the academic load?” and in the second stage, “Will the applicant be a good physician, dentist, etc.?” If the answer to both of these questions is “YES,” what is usually the next step in the application process?

13.) For each of the items in the table below, indicate whether the statement is True or False.

<b>Statement Regarding Medical, Dental, etc. School Interviews</b>	<b>T or F</b>
a) The interview begins when you walk into the room with the interviewer and ends when you walk out of that room.	
b) If you are offered a choice of interview dates, you should choose the latest date available so that you’ll have more time to prepare.	
c) You should be cautious about the information that you post to social networking sites such as Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, etc.	
d) You should avoid controversial topics such as politics or religion, but if you can’t, stick to your opinions.	
e) It is okay to wear revealing clothing, bright colors, and excessive jewelry to your interview if it makes you stand out.	
f) When meeting people, you should look them directly in the eyes, grasp their hands firmly, and shake hands as if you mean it and are confident in who you are.	
g) You should provide professional contact information (e.g. email, voicemail, etc.) on your applications and any other important documents.	
h) There is no need to look up information about the school before the interview.	
i) It is okay to lie during an interview (or on any other part of your application) if you think it will increase your chances of gaining entry.	

**Refer to the “Follow-up After Interviews” document to answer the following:**

14.) What are the two (2) main topics addressed in this document?

1)

2)

15.) To whom should applicants write “Thank You” notes/letters to following each interview?

16.) The Premedical Office does NOT encourage students to hold multiple acceptances for a prolonged period of time. List the four (4) reasons why this is the case.

1)

2)

3)

4)

17.) Where is the display case of XU students who have been accepted into medical, dental, etc. school located?