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**SAINT LOUIS  
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Office of Admissions

School of Medicine

June, 2017

**TO: Members of the Class of 2021 of the Saint Louis University  
School of Medicine**

This document will answer some of your questions, remind you of certain responsibilities, and tell you about the scheduled beginning-of-the-year activities.

### CALENDAR

The White Coat Ceremony on Sunday, July 30, 2017 at St. Francis Xavier College Church will begin the academic year. Orientation will continue with Freshman Convocation on Monday, July 31, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. This important activity is held in the Education Union. This event will be followed by Orientation events on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. You begin your medical studies on Monday morning, August 7, 2017. A class schedule will be given to you during Orientation.

You must notify the Admissions Office if you will not be present on July 30<sup>th</sup> for the White Coat Ceremony.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Entering students should continue to address correspondence regarding academic status to the Committee on Admissions of the School of Medicine. Update your AMCAS application with any changes in your biographical information.

If you choose to forego entering the medical school freshman class, notify the school immediately, initially by phone, so that your place may be offered to an applicant still awaiting the opportunity to enter medical school. Withdrawal by phone must be followed by written notice.

## LODGING AND BOARD

Housing information is available on the Orientation web site:

[http://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom\\_orientation/home](http://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom_orientation/home)

Much more information on student life can be found on the Student Affairs office web site:

<http://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/student-affairs-office>

For the convenience of students, there are four eating establishments on campus; one located in the University Hospital, one in Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, one in the Doisy College of Health Sciences and a Café in the Education Union.

## TEXTBOOKS, INSTRUMENTS, AND SUPPLIES

We advise you to wait until class begins before buying textbooks. The departments of instruction will give direction and advice concerning text and reference works. In many of the disciplines, there is a choice of text. Some students will want to have additional books. Sharing of reference materials is practicable.

During the first two years, the exams for your courses use ExamSoft or the National Board of Medical Examiners secure browser. This testing is computer-based. You will need a laptop that meets the following hardware requirements:

- **Computer Type:**

- Both Macs and PCs are supported by the current testing software and will work well for your general computing needs (e.g., email, lecture capture playback, virtual microscopy, and other electronic resources).

- **Operating System:**

- Macs - OSX 10.10 (Yosemite), OSX 10.11 (El Capitan), or macOS 10.12 (Sierra)
- PCs - Windows 7, Windows 8, or Windows 10

- **Processor:**

- You should have a current generation Intel i5 or i7 processor or the AMD equivalent in your laptop to run the software effectively.

- **RAM:**

- Your laptop should have at least 8 gigabytes of RAM to allow you to view lecture captures while taking notes and handle other multi-tasking computer functions.

- **Hard Drive:**

- The size of your hard drive will range from 250 gigabytes to 1 terabyte depending on what you store on it. For example, if you keep your entire iTunes library, all of your photos, or a small movie collection on your laptop, you will want a minimum 500 gigabyte hard drive. However, if you use the laptop only for your studies, a 250 gigabyte hard drive should be adequate. We recommend getting an SSD (Solid State Drive) instead of a traditional hard drive. These cost more, but they are significantly faster and help your machine perform well. An SSD will also provide better battery life and have improved stability.

- **Networking:**

- Physical - For the NBME exams you will NEED to plug your laptop into the network in the auditorium. This means that your laptop MUST HAVE an RJ-45 network jack. Many of the newer, thinner laptops no longer have these. If your laptop does not, you will need to get an adapter so that you can plug it into the network. For new Macs, we recommend the Apple Thunderbolt to Gigabit Ethernet Adapter. For PCs there are a number of USB Ethernet Adapters available.
- WiFi - For the rest of your work that requires network and internet access, you will use your computer's wireless network adapter. SLU currently supports 802.11a/g/n WiFi standards and will be adding 802.11ac in the future.

- **Optional:**

- We encourage you to consider a 3-year or 4-year warranty for your laptop. Accidents happen. You will rely on your computer for the majority of your curricular needs. Protecting your computer is an investment worth considering.
- To minimize unnecessary wear and tear or damage to your laptop, we recommend that you consider a laptop case, cover, or bag. If your computer meets the above specifications and you take care of it, the machine should last through your graduation from medical school.

## ADVICE REGARDING OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

For many years, it has been the policy of the School to discourage first year students who consider the possibility of undertaking remunerative employment outside of class hours during the regular school year. This policy was adopted because new students must focus all efforts on their studies. You are urged, therefore, to organize your personal budget to make provision for your financial needs throughout the entire first year in medical school. However, there are no curricular assignments during the summer following the first year.

## STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Office of Student Financial Services has provided information on their website <http://www.slu.edu/medicine/student-financial-services/> or contact them by telephone at 314-977-9840 should you have any questions.

## LOCKERS

The Office of Student Affairs can provide lockers after the start of classes for those students who wish to have one. The locker provides a safe repository for coats, books and other personal property not used in classroom or laboratory.

## SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

Campus Ministry extends a cordial invitation to members of the first year class to visit the office as soon as they are settled in St. Louis. A regular program of spiritual exercises is conducted in the chapel of the School of Medicine.

## ATTIRE

Dress comfortably, but very casual dress is discouraged. Student physicians are reminded of their obligation to conduct themselves in a manner befitting their dignity as members of the medical profession. Identification badges will be provided and must be worn while in the School of Medicine and university hospitals.

## STUDENT HEALTH

Each entering medical student is required to undergo a complete physical examination that must be completed no sooner than 6 months prior to matriculation. A copy of the physician's report must be submitted by August 1 on the form provided to: Director, Student Health and Counseling Center, Saint Louis University, 3520 Laclede, Marchetti Towers East, First Floor, St. Louis, Missouri 63103. An immunization record must be submitted with the physician's report of examination. Remember to make a copy and keep it for your records.

Saint Louis University requires Medical Students to have basic health insurance. If you need health insurance, you and your dependents may enroll in the Saint Louis University sponsored student health plan (University Health Plan). Charges for coverage under the University Health Plan will appear on your student account. Coverage under the University Health Plan (and its related charges) may be waived by providing proof of other health insurance coverage. If you plan to waive, please confirm that your current coverage is in effect. If you are without coverage, please begin to review and act upon your options (i.e. coverage under parents' plan, private insurance, government entitlement programs). You will be asked to provide proof of coverage at orientation. Additional information regarding the University Health Plan and the waiver process will be made available during orientation. Information also can be obtained by visiting the University Health Plan website ([http://www.slu.edu/medicine/graduate-programs/departments/university-health-plan-\(uhp\)/medical-students](http://www.slu.edu/medicine/graduate-programs/departments/university-health-plan-(uhp)/medical-students)) or by calling the University Health Plan office at 314-977-5666. For all health plans and programs, it is recommended that you carefully review the benefits and whether Saint Louis health professionals and facilities are considered to be out-of-network. Out-of-network providers tend to have higher deductibles and co-insurance rates.

In case of illness students are advised to seek professional care as needed. Psychiatric care is available immediately should this be necessary. If an illness interferes with academic responsibilities, please report this problem to the Office of Student Affairs.

### COUNSELING

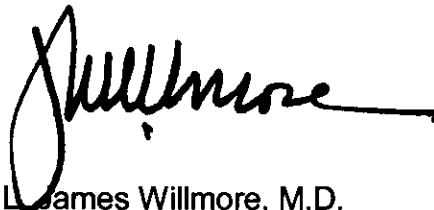
Members of the Office of Student Affairs are available and willing to counsel all students concerning an academic or personal problem. Difficulties of this nature are best handled when they first arise. Students should not procrastinate when confronted by a difficulty that could interfere with studies. Seek help for problems.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Medical students are encouraged to participate in the wide range of cultural and social activities of the University at large. Recreation facilities, including the University Recreation Center and Busch Memorial Student Center on the north end of the University Campus are at your disposal.

Welcome, and congratulations!

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Willmore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

James Willmore, M.D.  
Associate Dean

WE MUST RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT OF ALL ACADEMIC WORK COMPLETED AT EACH INSTITUTION FOR OUR PERMANENT RECORD. DATES OF ATTENDANCE, LISTS OF ACADEMIC COURSES TAKEN, AND THE CONFERRAL OF ALL DEGREES MUST BE VERIFIED BY OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS FOR ALL ACADEMIC ACTIVITY COMPLETED SINCE HIGH SCHOOL.

THIS IS THE FINAL STEP IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE AND SHOULD BE HANDLED PROMPTLY SO THAT THE COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS MAY VERIFY ALL YOUR CREDENTIALS AND YOUR ACCEPTANCE BEFORE MATRICULATION ON JULY 31, 2017.

IF YOU ARE ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL IN 2017, THAT TRANSCRIPT MUST BE SENT WHEN THE WORK IS COMPLETED.

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## Saint Louis University School of Medicine Student Immunization Record

Saint Louis University  
Student Health and  
Counseling Services  
3518 Laclede Ave  
St. Louis, MO 63104  
Phone: 314-977-2323  
Fax: 314-977-7165

**Students:** Once completed, please make a copy of this document for your own records.

**NOTE:** The School of Medicine has additional immunization requirements than those listed on forms from the Student Health and Counseling Center. Students entering the MD Degree Program must use this form, provided by the Office of Admissions, School of Medicine. **PLEASE NOTE: TITERS ARE REQUIRED.**

### Please Print

Student Name	Banner ID Number
Permanent Address	Date of Birth
City, State, Country, Zip	Gender
Phone	<b>MD Degree Program</b> Major/Program

### Instructions:

1. Please read the University's Immunization Policy summarized on the last page of this document. The School of Medicine has additional requirements, intended to keep both you and your patients safe.
2. Complete all forms as directed. Please note that the Immunization History and Status Summary should be completed by a health care provider and must be signed by a physician.
3. Prior to arriving on campus, these forms must be sent to:  
Director, Student Health and Counseling Center, Saint Louis University  
3518 Laclede, Marchetti Towers East, First Floor  
St. Louis, MO 63103  
If you have ANY QUESTIONS about the immunization requirements, please call us at: 314-977-2323.
4. Completed forms must be returned by **August 1<sup>st</sup>** of your first year. **You will not be allowed to participate in patient care activities until all immunizations are current.** It may also be financially advantageous to complete these requirements while still insured through a parent or guardian, before beginning medical school.
5. Titters are required to matriculate, by hospitals and clinical facilities and for rotations at many other institutions.
6. If you have ANY QUESTIONS about the immunization requirements, please call the Student Health and Counseling Center at: 314-977-2323.

### Authorization for Release of Immunization Data\*

I authorize Saint Louis University to release this immunization record to public health authorities for compliance audits and/or in the event of a health or safety emergency, and to health care providers and institutions to which I may be assigned during my educational experience.

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

\*Please note that this authorization is for the immunization record only.

## Immunization History

MD Degree Program

Student Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Banner ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

TO BE COMPLETED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER (If you have ANY QUESTIONS about the immunization requirements, please call us at: 314-977-2323):

Vaccine or Test	Vaccine Type	Date(s)	Doctor or Clinic
<b>1. Polio (PPV or eIPV)</b>	Primary Series	_____	_____
	Booster	_____	_____
<b>2. TDAP</b>	_____	_____	_____
<b>3. Tetanus</b> (DPT, DT or Td)	Primary Series (within last 10 years)	_____	_____
	Booster(s)	_____	_____
<b>4. Combination MMR</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	_____	_____
<b>Measles</b> If negative titer:	Titer:	_____	_____
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	_____	_____
<b>Mumps</b> If negative titer:	Titer:	_____	_____
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	_____	_____
<b>Rubella</b> If negative titer:	Titer:	_____	_____
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	_____	_____

**5. Tuberculin Test** 2-Step PPD within one year of beginning studies (2 tests at least 3 weeks apart)

1 <sup>st</sup> Step	Skin Test Date	Read Date:	Results:
2 <sup>nd</sup> Step	Skin Test Date:	Read Date:	Results:

N.B.: Positive skin test requires a separate physician's statement documenting absence of active/infectious tuberculosis.  
If positive in past, a copy of your chest x-ray is required.

<b>6. Varicella titers</b> If negative titer	Titer:	_____	_____
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose VARIVAX	_____	_____
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose VARIVAX	_____	_____
<b>7. Hepatitis B titer</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dose	_____	_____
	Post-vaccination Titer:	_____	_____
<b>9. Other vaccines</b>	_____	_____	_____

Physician's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Please Print**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ MD Degree Program \_\_\_\_\_ Banner ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**

Please respond to the following, which summarize the immunization requirements for Saint Louis University and the School of Medicine. If you have ANY QUESTIONS about the immunization requirements, please call us at: 314-977-2323.

**Circle One**

1. The student has completed a primary series of diphtheria and tetanus immunizations.	Yes	No
2. The student has had a tetanus booster within the past ten years.	Yes	No
3. The student has had one dose of TDAP.	Yes	No
4. The student has received at least one dose of Rubella vaccine. If <b>no</b> , is there documentation of physician diagnosed rubella _____? or laboratory evidence of immunity to rubella _____? Please attach documentation as evidence.	Yes	No
5. The student has received two doses of measles vaccine (alone or in combination) on or after first birthday. If <b>no</b> , is there documentation of physician-diagnosed illness _____ or laboratory evidence of immunity _____? Please attach documentation as evidence.	Yes	No
6. The student has received two doses of mumps vaccine (alone or in combination) on or after first birthday. If <b>no</b> , is there documentation of physician-diagnosed mumps _____ or laboratory evidence of immunity to mumps _____? Please attach documentation as evidence.	Yes	No
7. Two Tuberculin tests at least 3 weeks apart in the past 12 months are negative.	Yes	No
8. The student has had either a positive Varicella titer <b>OR</b> if a negative titer, the student has had two (2) doses of VARIVAX	Yes	No
9. The student has received three (3) doses of Hepatitis B vaccine	Yes	No

Physician/Clinic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Physician Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Exemptions**

1. Student claiming exemption from immunizations because of medical contraindications must submit a written statement, signed and dated by a physician.
2. Students claiming exemption from immunizations because of religious beliefs must submit a written statement, signed and dated by the student (or parent/guardian if the student is a minor) describing their objection to immunization based upon religious beliefs or practice.

## Personal Health History

**Please Print**

MD Degree Program  
Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Banner ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth

### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT

Circle One

1. Please list any significant current health problems.
  
2. List any medications you take on a regular or frequent basis.
  
3. Are you allergic to any medications? If yes, please list. Yes      No
  
4. Do you have any other kinds of allergic conditions such as hay fever, asthma, etc.? If yes, please list. Yes      No
  
5. List any significant past health problems.
  
6. Have you ever been hospitalized? If yes, indicate why and when. Yes      No
  
7. Have you ever had a head injury, concussion, broken bones, or other serious injury? If yes, indicate what injury and when. Yes      No

8. Have you ever had an operation? If yes, indicate for what and when. **Yes** **No**

9. Please indicate if you have a history of any of the following:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Murmur         | <input type="checkbox"/> Fainting Spells      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular Heart Beat | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep Disorder       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure  | <input type="checkbox"/> Menstrual Disorder   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hypoglycemia         | <input type="checkbox"/> Seizure Disorder     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding Disorder    | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric Disorder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes             | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol Abuse        |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse      |

10. Do you have any dietary restrictions for medical reasons? If yes, please specify. **Yes** **No**

11. Do you have any physical limitations? If yes, please specify. **Yes** **No**

# PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

TO BE COMPLETED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER

**Please Print**

Student Name	Gender
MD Degree Program	Date

Height	Weight	Blood Pressure /	Pulse
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Vision R / L /	Corrected R / L /
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	√ <b>NORMAL</b>	
1. General		Recommendations of examining physician for follow-up management examination or care:
Musculature		
Nutrition		
Skin		
2. Head		
Eye		
Ear		
Nose		
Teeth		
Tongue		
Tonsils		
Pharynx		
3. Neck		
Nodes		
Thyroid		
4. Chest		
Lungs		
Heart		
5. Abdomen		
Organs		
Masses		
Hernia		
Extremities		
Reflexes		
Rectal		
Genitalia		

Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ M.D. Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Saint Louis University Tuberculosis Screening Questionnaire

Saint Louis University  
Student Health and Counseling  
Services  
3518 Laclede Ave  
St. Louis, MO 63104  
Phone: 314-977-2323  
Fax: 314-977-7165

TO BE COMPLETED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER (If you have ANY QUESTIONS about the questionnaire, please call us at: 314-977-2323):

MD Degree Program

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Banner ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions:

- Yes  No    Have you lived or traveled for >2 months in Asia, Africa, Central or South America or Eastern Europe?
- Yes  No    Were you born on one of these continents?
- Yes  No    Have you ever been vaccinated with BCG?
- Yes  No    Have you ever had a positive TB skin test or history of active tuberculosis infection?
- Yes  No    Has anyone living in your household ever had a history of active tuberculosis?
- Yes  No    Have you worked or volunteered in a nursing home, hospital, homeless shelter, prison or other health care facility?

If the answer is **NO** to all of the above questions, no further testing or action is required. Please sign below and forward this form with your immunization record to Saint Louis University Student Health and Counseling. A physician's signature is not required on this questionnaire if you answered NO to all the questions.

If the answer is **YES** to any of the above questions, then Saint Louis University requires that a health care provider complete a tuberculosis risk assessment within 6 months prior to the start of class. Results of a tuberculin skin test (PPD) or IGRA blood test such as Quantiferon gold or a T-spot must be provided, unless a previous positive test has been documented. A chest x-ray performed within six months prior to the first day of class is required for a positive PPD or IGRA. A written medical interpretation of the x-ray (in English) must be included.

NOTE: Testing is recommended (but not mandated) for individuals in the following groups:

- ▲ HIV positive
- ▲ Immunosuppressive disorders from illness or medication (e.g. organ transplants, prednisone)
- ▲ History of IV drug abuse or alcoholism
- ▲ Students with chronic medical conditions (e.g. diabetes, cancer, kidney disease, malabsorption disorders, etc)

TB (Tuberculin) Skin Test - Date Administered: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Read: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: \_\_\_\_\_ mm.

-OR- equivalent blood test result: \_\_\_\_\_

Chest X-ray required if TB test is positive: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: NORMAL ABNORMAL  
(Attach written medical interpretation of Chest X-ray in English).

Dates of treatment: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physician/ Clinic name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physician/ Clinic address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physician signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Physician signature is only required if providing TB test results, blood test results or chest x-ray).*

By signing I attest that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Saint Louis University Student Immunization Requirements

1. **Diphtheria and Tetanus.** Documentation of primary series of diphtheria and tetanus toxoid, *and* a booster within the past ten years.
2. **Measles.** Documentation of two doses of live measles (or MMR combined) vaccine separated by at least one month on or after the first birthday, *or*, documentation of physician-diagnosed disease or laboratory evidence of immunity. Individuals who received killed measles vaccine, combination of killed and live measles vaccine, or measles vaccine of an unknown type in the period 1963-1967, are considered unvaccinated, and should receive two doses of live vaccine at least one month apart.
3. **Mumps.** Documentation of two doses of live mumps (or MMR combined) vaccine on or after the first birthday, *or*, documentation of physician-diagnosed mumps or laboratory evidence of immunity. Persons who received killed mumps vaccine which was available between 1950-1978 might benefit from revaccination.
  - A routine second dose of MMR vaccine, administered a minimum of 28 days after the first dose, is recommended for adults who work in a health-care facility; or plan to travel internationally.
  - Persons vaccinated before 1979 with either killed mumps vaccine or mumps vaccine of unknown type are at high risk for mumps infection (e.g., persons who are working in a health-care facility should be considered for revaccination with 2 doses of MMR vaccine. (From 01-01-2013 <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/su6201a3.htm>)
4. **Rubella.** Documentation of one dose of rubella (or MMR combined) vaccine on or after the first birthday, *or*, documentation of laboratory evidence of immunity.
5. **Varicella.** Documentation of two doses of live varicella vaccine separated by at least one month, or documentation of physician-diagnosed disease or laboratory evidence of immunity or birth in U.S. before 1980.
6. **Tuberculin Test.** Tuberculosis screening is required for all students. Tuberculosis testing is mandated for:
  - International students born in a country with a high incidence of tuberculosis.
  - Students with a history of living or traveling for more than 2 months in areas with a high incidence of tuberculosis disease.
  - Students with signs or symptoms of active tuberculosis, a positive tuberculosis skin test or close contacts with a person known to have active tuberculosis.
  - Students who have worked in nursing homes, hospitals, or other residential institutions.For more information, go to the CDC website [[http://www.cdc.gov/tb/publications/factsheets/testing/TB\\_Factsheet.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/tb/publications/factsheets/testing/TB_Factsheet.pdf)]
7. **Polio.** Polio vaccine is not routinely given to adults, and therefore students are not required to receive a booster or a primary series if they were not previously immunized. Students should, however, document their childhood polio vaccine immunization. In the unlikely event of epidemic disease, special requirements may be instituted.
8. **Hepatitis B.** Immunization against Hepatitis B is strongly recommended for all students and is required for health professions students prior to their clinical assignments.
9. **Meningitis.** Immunization is required for all freshmen students living in residence halls or signed waiver acknowledging risks/benefits of vaccine.

### APPLICABILITY, DOCUMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT

1. This policy applies to all domestic and international students entering the University for the first time, unless medical or religious exemptions pertain. Students in the School of Professional Studies must only comply with the requirement related to tuberculin testing.
2. Submission of this record, by the date specified, is mandatory. Failure to comply will result in registration being cancelled and/or restricted.
3. The University also reserves the right to deny access to campus facilities, including residence halls, if documentation of compliance has not been provided. Further, in accordance with public health recommendations, non-immune students may be excluded from the University campus in the event of a measles, rubella, mumps or diphtheria outbreak or other public health recommendation.

On behalf of the Orientation Committee and the Office of Student Affairs,  
congratulations on your acceptance to Saint Louis University School of Medicine!

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We've planned a full week of activities to help you feel more comfortable in your new environment. Orientation week will give you an opportunity to get to know your classmates, meet some members of the faculty, and explore parts of St. Louis.

**Find orientation information at [https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom\\_orientation/](https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom_orientation/)**

*We encourage you to arrive in St. Louis early enough to find housing so that you will be able to participate in and enjoy your orientation.*

**Housing information can be found at <https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom-housing/home>**

Activities begin with the **Welcome Week Banquet** on Saturday, July 29  
from 6 to 10 pm in the St. Louis Room of the Busch Student Center on the main campus.

*(see Frost campus map enclosed in this packet)*

More information and ticket sales can be found on the flyer included in this packet or online at:

**[https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom\\_orientation/welcome-dinner](https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom_orientation/welcome-dinner)**

The **White Coat Ceremony** will take place on Sunday, July 30 at 1:30 pm at St. Francis Xavier College Church.

More information is available in the flyer included with this packet or online at:

**[https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom\\_orientation/white-coat-ceremony](https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom_orientation/white-coat-ceremony)**

Please go to website to order your white coat by June 12

**Orientation** begins on Monday, July 31 at 8:30 am in the Education Union on the medical campus  
*(see med campus map included in this packet)*. Please park (free this week) in the Hickory East Garage at  
1214 S. Theresa Avenue, across from the Education Union. Casual dress is appropriate for the week.

There will be all kinds of information provided, CPR training, and great social events and activities  
during the week. Some of the events are free and some have a charge. Please check the  
orientation website for more details and for a sign-up survey and check the *Schedule at a Glance*,  
on the back, for the highlights of the week.

Friday of Orientation week is **Service Day**, where small groups of first year students, led by sophomore  
group leaders will be sent to various locations in the city to participate in a few hours of service to the  
community. This will be your first change to "give back" to areas of our community which are in most need.

If you plan to park in the Hickory East or West garages (please see map included in the packet) after Orientation  
Week, you will need to purchase your permit (\$200 per semester, billed to your account) through your mySLU  
portal. Please go to <https://slu.edu/parking> for more information or call 314-977-2957

*We look forward to meeting you. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.*

Dr. James Willmore, Dean for Student Affairs

Dr. Greg Smith, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs

## 2017 Orientation Welcome Week Schedule – At a Glance

	Saturday July 29	Sunday July 30	Monday July 31	Tuesday August 1	Wednesday August 2	Thursday August 3	Friday August 4	Saturday August 5	Monday August 6
M O R N I N G			<p><b>Welcome and Introduction-</b> arrive by 8:30am at the Education Union (EU)</p> <p><b>Student Information Session</b> and perspectives from panel of SLU students</p>	<p><b>CPR Training Day</b> in the Learning Resources Center 8:30 am (LRC)</p>	<p><b>Overview MD Program and Academic Policies</b> (9am EU)</p> <p>Campus Security Information</p> <p><b>Scavenger hunt</b>/tour of hospital and Med school complex</p>	<p><b>Academic and Personal Resources</b> for Success in Medical School</p> <p>HIPAA Training</p> <p>Title IX Training</p>	<p><b>Community Service Day</b></p> <p>8:30 am (EU) Organizational meeting</p> <p>Travel to service project areas</p>	<p>Tower Grove Park Picnic</p>	<p>Classes Begin!</p> <p>8 am in the EU</p>
A F T E R N O O N		<p><b>White Coat Ceremony</b> – St. Francis Xavier College Church 1:30 pm (students should arrive at 11:30 am)</p>	<p><b>Welcome luncheon</b> with Support Groups</p> <p>Financial Aid</p>	<p>Lunch Provided</p> <p>CPR Training continues in the afternoon</p>	<p><b>Solar Open Golf</b> outing (9 holes)</p>	<p><b>Lunch out on the town</b> with Orientation Support Group</p>			
E V E N I N G	<p><b>Welcome Week Banquet</b> in St. Louis Rooms in Busch Student Center</p>		<p><b>Bowling Night</b> at Tropicana Lanes</p>	<p><b>Night at City Museum</b></p>	<p><b>AMWA – med student/faculty social</b> (<i>women only</i>)</p>	<p><b>Campus Ministry's Welcome Rec Night</b></p>			





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# HEALTH RESOURCE CENTER

## Welcome Week Banquet 2017

Join us for a banquet in honor of the incoming class of 2021! Come and mingle with your future classmates, professors and deans on the night before the white coat ceremony. Family and friends are welcome!

**When: Sat. July 29 at 6**

**Tickets: \$30 per person**

Make checks payable to:

*SLU Health Resource Center*

by July 20

Limited number of tickets available!  
Proceeds to benefit the Health Resource Center (your student-run free health clinic)

**Online tickets:**

[https://billpay.slu.edu/C20197\\_ustores/web/product\\_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=434](https://billpay.slu.edu/C20197_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=434)

**Where: Saint Louis University**

Busch Student Center

Saint Louis Room

20 N. Grand Blvd

St. Louis, MO 63104

**Checks can be mailed to:**

Attn: Class of 2021 Welcome Dinner

Saint Louis University School of  
Medicine

1402 S. Grand Blvd, Room C100

St. Louis, MO 63104

To Parents and Family of the Class of 2021

*The Dean, Faculty, Students, and Alumni of the*

**Saint Louis University School of Medicine**

*Invite you to Attend*

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**The White Coat Ceremony**  
**For the Class of 2021**

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Sunday, July 30, 2017

1:30 P.M.

St. Francis Xavier College Church

3628 Lindell Blvd. (corner of Grand Blvd.)

St. Louis, Missouri

The White Coat Ceremony creates a psychological contract for professionalism and empathy in the practice of medicine from the start of medical training. This is symbolized by investing each student with a clinical White Coat, the mantle of our profession.

*Please join us as a special guest for this important ceremony.*

Incoming students should arrive at the Xavier Grand Ballroom in the basement of the church by **11:30 am**. For your convenience, the University Frost Campus and Medical Center maps are included in this packet. The ceremony will be held at St. Francis Xavier College Church (University Frost Campus Map, Building #51) and parking is available at the Laclede Garage just down the street at the corner of Grand and Laclede. Drop-off for handicapped individuals is possible at the front of the Church on the corner of Grand Blvd. and Lindell.

Parking is free for those attending the ceremony and transportation carts are also available to take individuals from the parking garage to the church and back.

Family members are asked *not* to arrive at the church before 11:45 am.

**Please see the White Coat Ceremony page of the Orientation Website to order your white coat:**

[https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom\\_orientation/white-coat-ceremony](https://sites.google.com/a/slu.edu/slusom_orientation/white-coat-ceremony)

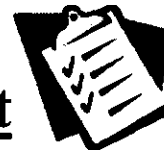
*University Campus Maps can also be found on the University website at [www.slu.edu/campusmap](http://www.slu.edu/campusmap).  
We hope to see you all there.*

*For further information, please call the Office of Student Affairs at 314-977-9827.*

Events/Dates marked with an asterisk \* are days of non-attendance (in course, clinic, preceptorship, or any other educational experience) for medical students in the Class as defined below.

AY 2017-2018		AY 2017-2018		AY 2017-2018		AY 2017-2018	
Class of 2021 M1 Year		Class of 2020 M2 Year		Class of 2019 M3 Year		Class of 2018 M4 Year	
August 7, 2017 - May 25, 2018		August 7, 2017 - June 24, 2018		June 26, 2017 - June 24, 2018		June 26, 2017 - May 7, 2018	
Loan Period	Aug 7, 2017 - May 25, 2018	Loan Period	Aug 7, 2017 - June 24, 2018	Loan Period	June 26, 2017 - June 24, 2018	Loan Period	June 26, 2017 - May 7, 2018
1st Financial Aid Disbursement	July 28	1st Financial Aid Disbursement	July 28	1st Financial Aid Disbursement	June 16	1st Financial Aid Disbursement	June 16
White Coat Ceremony	July 30			Classes Begin	June 26	Classes Begin	June 26
Orientation	July 31 - Aug 4	Year 2 Convocation	Aug 7	Independence Day	*July 4		
Classes Begin	Aug 7	M2 Classes Begin	Aug 7				
Labor Day	*Sept 4	Labor Day	*Sept 4	Labor Day	*Sept 4		
Thanksgiving Break	*Nov 20-26	Thanksgiving Break	*Nov 20-26	Thanksgiving Break	Begins at 12:00 noon *Nov 22-26		
Classes Resume	Nov 27	Classes Resume	Nov 27	Classes Resume	Nov 27		
				2nd Financial Aid Disbursement	Dec 4	2nd Financial Aid Disbursement	Dec 4
Winter Break	*Dec 18 - Jan 2	Winter Break	*Dec 18 - Jan 2	Winter Break	*Dec 18 - Jan 2	Winter Break	*Dec 18 - Jan 2
2nd Financial Aid Disbursement	Jan 15	2nd Financial Aid Disbursement	Jan 15				
Classes Resume	Jan 2	Classes Resume	Jan 2	Classes Resume	Jan 2	Classes Resume	Jan 2
Martin Luther King Day	*Jan 15	Martin Luther King Day	*Jan 15	Martin Luther King Day	*Jan 15	Match Day	*Mar 16
Year 1 Spring Break	Feb 24 - Mar 4					Year 4 Required Capstone	TBA
Classes Resume	Mar 5					Academic Year 4 Ends	May 7
Good Friday- Easter	*March 30- April 1	Good Friday- Easter	*March 30- April 1	Good Friday- Easter	*March 30- April 1	Pre-Commencement Ceremony	* TBA
Academic Year 1 Ends	May 25	Clerkship Orientation	Apr 23-27	Convocation for Year 4	Apr 18	Commencement and Degree Conferral	May 19, 2018
Memorial Day	*May 28	Memorial Day	*May 28	Memorial Day	*May 28		
		Academic Year 2 Ends	June 24	Academic Year 3 Ends	June 24		

# 2017-2018 Student Financial Services Checklist



Welcome! To assist you in preparing for the beginning of your M1 year, you will find a short checklist of items to review to make your transition into medical school a seamless process. Additional information is available on our webpage <http://medschool.slu.edu/sfs>.

Before you accept your financial aid award, please use the attached budget worksheet to help you determine your needs:

- Accept or decline your financial aid award via the mySLU portal at <https://myslu.slu.edu/>.
- You must accept the Terms and Conditions of Awards before accepting/declining the award.

Check for other outstanding documents on the Student Tab of your mySLU portal.

- Any outstanding documents can be mailed, faxed or emailed to the address below.

Students wishing to borrow from the Federal Direct Unsubsidized and/or Graduate Plus loan programs must complete a Master Promissory Note (MPN) (for each program) and Online Entrance Loan Counseling at: [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov).

- For the Online Entrance Loan Counseling, select the Graduate/Professional option.

Providing all requirements have been completed and registration has been verified, aid disbursement dates will begin as follows:

- **Disbursement 1: July 28**
- **Disbursement 2: January 15**

Note disbursement of funds will begin 10 days before your classes begin.

Receiving your Refund:

If you borrowed funds in excess of your tuition and fee charges, you will receive a refund.

- To sign up for Electronic Refunds go to the mySLU portal, click on the Tools tab, then Payment Suite. The eRefund process will take 2-5 business days and is the quickest way to receive your funds.
- For paper checks, be sure to update your local address in the mySLU portal. The paper check process can take 10-14 business days.

Billing:

The first bill will be emailed mid-July with a due date of August 1 (all bills will be sent electronically to your SLU student email address).

- You can sign up for a payment plan via your mySLU portal within the Payment Suite after July 1.

Health Insurance:

All Medical students are required to have health insurance and you will be charged for coverage under the University Health Plan (UHP) on your student account.

- To waive the UHP charge, you must submit a UHP waiver and proof of your insurance coverage by **September 30, 2017**.
- To enroll in the UHP you will need to submit an enrollment form.
- Both UHP online forms and instructions are available on the UHP website at: <http://www.slu.edu/x46428.xml>. Click on Medical Students.

Parking:

You will also have the opportunity to sign up for parking during orientation. Parking charges will not appear on your student account until you sign up for parking.

All financial aid documentation may be submitted by mail, email or fax to:

Address:	Saint Louis University School of Medicine	Email:	<a href="mailto:sfp@slu.edu">sfp@slu.edu</a>
	Office of Student Financial Services	Fax:	314-977-9811
	1402 S. Grand Blvd., Caroline120	Phone:	314-977-9840
	St. Louis, MO 63104	Web Site:	<a href="http://medschoolslu.edu/sfs">medschoolslu.edu/sfs</a>



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**OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES**

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Email: [SFP@SLU.edu](mailto:SFP@SLU.edu)

**SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
UNOFFICIAL 2017-2018 Schedule of Rates**

<b>Tuition</b>	<b>\$52,880</b>
<b>Health Insurance for 1<sup>st</sup> year students* ESTIMATE!!!</b>	<b>\$2,794</b>
<b>Health Insurance for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year students* ESTIMATE!!!</b>	<b>\$3,084</b>
<b>Medical Student Service Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year students</b>	<b>\$140</b>
<b>Medical Student Service Fee for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year students</b>	<b>\$40</b>
<b>Student Government Association (SGA) – Student Activity Fee</b>	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Clinical Education Compliance Fee **</b>	<b>\$105</b>
<b>Student Union Fee</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>Technology Fee</b>	<b>\$200</b>
<b>Wellness Fee</b>	<b>\$180</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Student Kaplan fee – one-time fee for 2<sup>nd</sup> year students</b>	<b>\$165</b>
<b>Readership Fee</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>Graduation Fee – one-time fee for 4<sup>th</sup> year students</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>General Parking Fee*** (\$550 for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year students)</b>	<b>\$440</b>

**Note:** All of the above rates are yearly rates and are subject to change. Please refer to the Student Financial Services School of Medicine's website at <http://medschool.slu.edu/sfs> for updates.

\* Health insurance can be waived when the student provides a completed waiver form and proof of insurance. The listed insurance amount is for student only coverage. Additional insurance options are available. Visit the University Health Plan web site at <http://medschool.slu.edu/uhp/> or contact the office at 314-977-5666 for additional information. **!!! The 2017-2018 health insurance rates are ESTIMATES. Actual rates are yet to be determined!**

\*\* One-time fee that is charged for completion of background check. Non-U.S. born, individuals will be charged \$135 to complete their background check.

\*\*\*For additional parking options, please contact Parking and Card Services at (314) 977-2957 or visit <http://www.slu.edu/x51293.xml>. Students enrolled in classes starting in June or July will be charged an additional \$110 for summer parking in addition to the Fall/Spring charge of \$440.



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**Simple Budget Sheet**

Estimating your total financial needs at the beginning of each academic year can assist you in prudent borrowing and save you thousands of dollars in interest accrual. Use this simple worksheet to estimate your budget and help limit your level of student loan indebtedness.

**Section One: Detailed below are the total estimated fixed costs for the academic year.**

<b>Tuition</b>	\$ 52,880
<b>Fees</b>	
M1 Fees \$690, M2 Fees \$726, M3 Fees \$486, M4 Fees \$586	+
<b>Books and Supplies</b>	
This is an estimate of the average books and supplies; your actual expense may vary.	
M1 Books and Supplies \$980, M2 Books and Supplies \$630, M3 Books and Supplies \$850, M4 Books and Supplies \$200.	+
<b>USMLE Exam Fees</b>	
M2 and M3 students only; please visit <a href="http://www.nbme.org/students/examfees.html">www.nbme.org/students/examfees.html</a> to review the current exam fees.	+
<b>Health Insurance ESTIMATE!!!</b>	
For 1 <sup>st</sup> year: Single coverage \$2,794, Double coverage \$5,588, Family coverage \$8,382	
For 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> year: Single coverage \$3,084, Double coverage \$6,168, Family coverage \$9,252	
Can be waived for the academic year with a completed waiver form and proof of health insurance.	+
<b>General Parking</b>	
Estimated average parking expense is \$440 for fall and spring, \$110 for summer; your actual expense may vary.	
Please contact Parking and Card Services for additional parking options	+
<b>Total estimated fixed expenses:</b>	<b>=</b>

**Section Two: Use the spaces below to estimate your living expenses for the 2017-2018 academic year.**

**Yearly Rent Expense:**

If you have roommates, use only your portion of the monthly rent expense.  
Estimate your monthly expense then multiply by 12

Monthly: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ x 12 = + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Yearly Utilities Expense:**

Such as: water, electricity and phone  
Estimate your monthly expense then multiply by 12

Monthly: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ x 12 = + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Yearly Food Expense:**

Such as: groceries and eating out  
Estimate your monthly expense then multiply by 12

Monthly: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ x 12 = + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Yearly Transportation Expense:**

Such as: gas, basic vehicle maintenance or public transportation  
Estimate your monthly expense then multiply by 12

Monthly: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ x 12 = + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Yearly Miscellaneous Expenses:**

Such as: extra study materials, personal care products and entertainment  
Estimate your monthly expense then multiply by 12

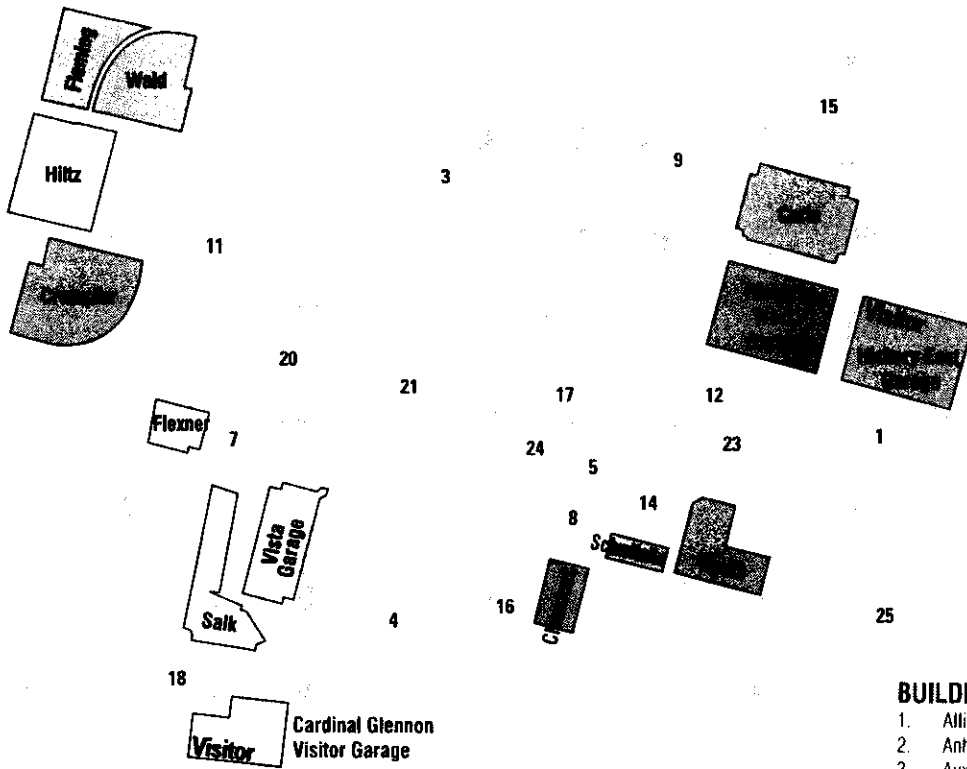
Monthly: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ x 12 = + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total living expenses: = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total budget amount: = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

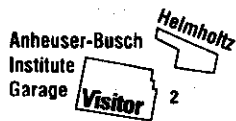
Add the total fixed and living expense amounts together = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Use your total budget amount to assist you in determining the amount you should accept from the financial aid offered on your award letter. You will have the opportunity to borrow additional funds up to the cost of attendance throughout the academic year.



### BUILDING NUMBER AND NAME

1. Allied Health Building
2. Anheuser-Busch Institute
3. Auxiliary House
4. Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center
5. Caroline Building
6. Casa de Salud
7. Doctors Office Building
8. Doisy Hall
9. Doisy Research Center
10. Dreiling-Marshall Hall
11. Drummond Hall
12. Education Union
13. Grounds Medical Center Operations
14. Learning Resources Center
15. Life Care Center
16. Monteleone Hall
17. O'Donnell Hall
18. Pediatric Research Institute
19. Recreation Stadium
20. Saint Louis University Cancer Center / SLU Hospital West Pavilion
21. Saint Louis University Hospital
22. Salus Center / Water Tower Inn
23. School of Nursing
24. Schwitalla Hall
25. 3411 Vista Ave.



**PARKING OPTIONS** 24 Hour Reserved Parking Premium Parking Preferred Parking General Parking

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## American Medical Women's Association

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*The American Medical Women's Association of St. Louis University would like to welcome you to campus, and look forward to meeting you!*

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Some things AMWA does at SLUSOM:

- **Red Dress Event**
  - Partnering with Washington University School of Medicine, this is a night to raise money for our philanthropy, the American Heart Association
  - A night of food, silent auction, casino games, boy band competitions, and more!
  
- **Physician mentoring**
  - For the M1 ladies-- the opportunity to gain knowledge and experience from female physicians at SLU
  
- **Interview Day Q&A**
  - You may have seen us during your interview day! We are there to answer your questions and make you feel welcomed at SLU
  
- **Meetings and social events throughout the year**
  - Get involved and let us know what you want to see more of-- we look forward to meeting you and helping kickstart your involvement at SLU!



*Save the Date:*

Evening of Wednesday, August 2nd  
(more details to follow)



*What:*

AMWA social at Dr. Heaney's house.  
Ladies only!

*Why:*

This is your chance to meet-and-greet with future classmates, female physicians at SLU, and older female medical students!

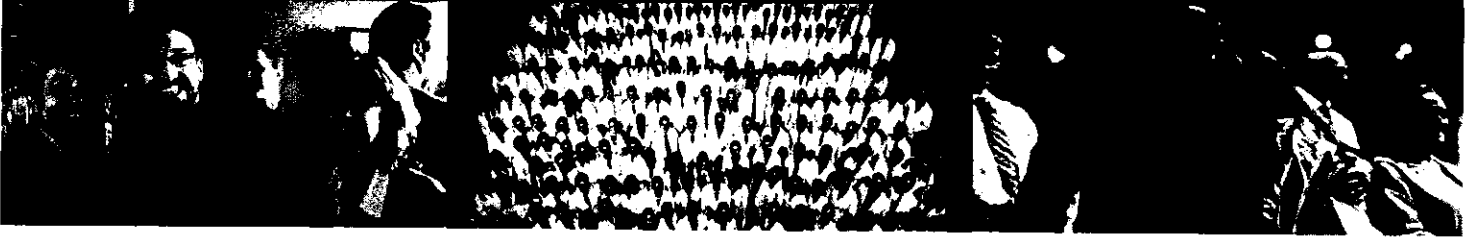
*We look forward to seeing you there!*



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PARENT CONNECTION



**Attention: Medical Student Parents**

Please help us build better communication and a stronger connection between parents and the School of Medicine by completing the form below. With this information, we will share biannual newsletters with your family, as well as communications regarding updates and current events on the medical campus. **Save a stamp and sign-up online at: [Alumni.slu.edu/ParentConnection](http://Alumni.slu.edu/ParentConnection)**

Parent Name #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  cell  home  work

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an alumna/alumnus of Saint Louis University?  Yes  No

Are you interested in connecting with other medical school parents to learn more about the medical school experience and how you can support your son/daughter during this time?

Check yes to be contacted about this opportunity.

Are there any particular topics you would like to see in the biannual parent newsletter or additional comments you wish to share?

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The School of Medicine appreciates your input as we build an even stronger network to support our medical students. Questions? Contact Jennifer Sherer at [shererj@slu.edu](mailto:shererj@slu.edu) or 314-977-2546.

**Please return this form to: Saint Louis University, 3545 Lafayette Ave, Room 609, St. Louis, MO 63104**

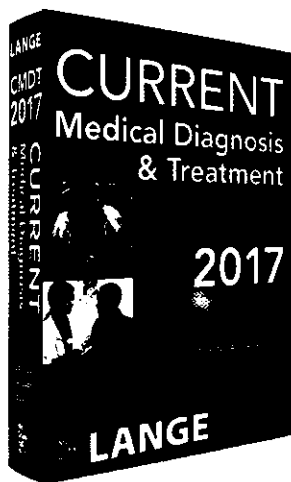
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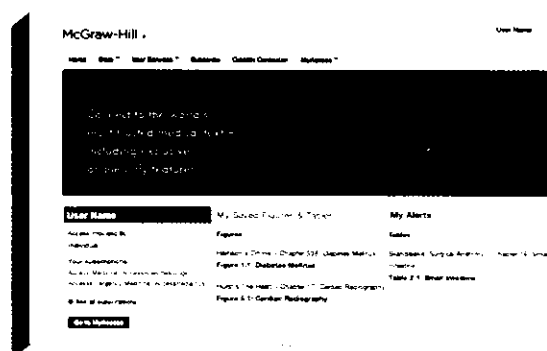
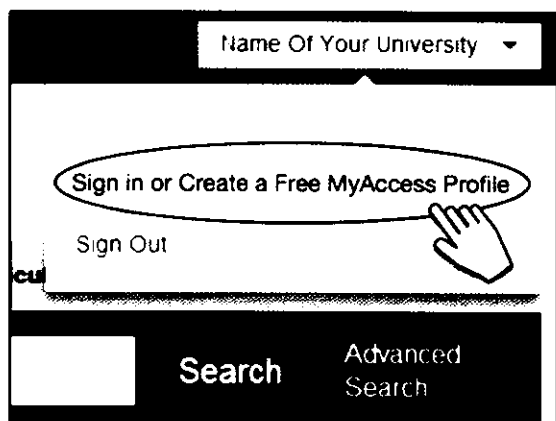
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### How to create a FREE MyAccess Personal Profile

Creating your own MyAccess profile has many advantages that can help you unlock a higher level of functionality as an Access product subscriber. It allows for greater personalization and access to a wide range of exclusive subscriber benefits that are only available with a MyAccess profile. Sign up to create your profile today. It's easy!

Here's all you need to do to get started.

1. Navigate to the Access product's homepage.
2. Click on your institution's name inside the drop-down box in the upper right-hand corner of any page. Once there, click on "Create a Free Personal profile."
3. A new window will appear. Click on the "Don't have a MyAccess profile" link.
4. Fill in the registration form under the heading, "Create a MyAccess profile."
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- > Download the AccessMedicine App that puts the resources of AccessMedicine in the palm of your hand 24/7 delivering indispensable support and invaluable point-of-care solutions for clinical practice through innovative digital features\*
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- > Access Custom Curriculum (if it's being used by your program)
- > Save and download images
- > Log and track CME credits

# MCL Online Resources



**MEDICAL CENTER LIBRARY (MCL)** – <http://lib.slu.edu/mcl>

**IMPORTANT:** In order to successfully access subscription-based information, including full-text articles, use the links on the MCL homepage to be identified as a SLU person.

## Literature Search Tools

- PubMed or Ovid
  - Searches MEDLINE
  - Set up email search alerts to keep current with your favorite topic area
- Scopus
  - Searches MEDLINE, EMBASE, other journals, conference proceedings and books
  - Find citations of interest with references and links to citing articles
- E-journal Portal to access various E-journal websites

## Software

- EndNote software for free through SLU; search for the phrase "ITS EndNote"; manages papers of interest and useful for creating bibliographies; works with Microsoft Word to cite and build reference lists
- Microsoft Office University 365 free through SLU <https://www.slu.edu/its/new-to-slu/free-office-365-for-students>

## Clinical Information Search Tools

- ClinicalKey
  - Search for books, book chapters, articles, clinical guidelines, images and video
  - First Consult articles are great for overviews of specific clinical topics
  - App is available <https://www.clinicalkey.com/info/blog/clinicalkey-mobile-app/>
- AccessMedicine
  - Textbooks online, drug info, clinical guidelines, images and video
  - Clinical Calculators, diagnostic tests, differential diagnosis tool, clinical cases
  - App is available; see bottom of <http://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/ss/About.aspx>
- DynaMed Plus
  - Point of care tool for quick access to concise clinical information
  - App is available; click DynaMed Plus link on MCL home page (<http://lib.slu.edu/mcl>); see top of DynaMed Plus page for the *Sign Up For Remote Access* link; click it and set up mobile access

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## **IMPORTANT COURSE INFORMATION**

### **Introduction to Medical Information Management (MIM-100)**

**Online Course: July 17 through August 11, 2017**

Hello,

I am Dr. Clark, the course director for **Introduction to Medical Information Management (MIM-100)**, an online course that runs from **July 17 through August 11**. It is your first required course in the Medical School curriculum that is taken for credit. It is a self-paced course that is available online through the SLU Blackboard course management software at **blackboard.slu.edu**. You will access the course by using your username and password logon information that works for mySLU, as described in the letter that admissions sent you. It should take about 6 hours to complete. The full course name is **2017-2018 MIM-0100-001-Medical Information Mgmt** and a link to it will appear under the **My Courses** panel in **Blackboard**. I will be sending out a reminder email with specifics of the course on **July 12**. ***Be sure to check your SLU email account on that day.***

Purpose of the course:

### **Introduction to Medical Information Management (MIM-100)**

The Introduction to Medical Information Management (MIM-100) course provides first year medical students a framework for understanding the organization of medical information resources and their use in solving health care problems. The Medical Center Library (MCL) reference librarians have designed this self-directed online course for first year medical students to develop skills for accessing clinical research literature that will directly inform their practice of medicine in an evidence-based manner. With the explosion of biomedical and clinical research information available, it is important that clinicians learn to efficiently use tools to find and manage this information. The skilled use of these tools is essential to the practice of evidence-based medicine (EBM), by keeping current with the latest clinical guidelines and research that will help enhance the quality of patient care.

The following statement aptly describes the importance of evidence-based medicine (EBM)

"Evidence-based medicine (EBM) aims to assess the strength of proof behind medical interventions in terms of risks and benefits, and therefore can be used to inform clinical decision making on both an individual and a population basis. As such, EBM is crucial in maintaining quality medical care and ensuring good clinical outcomes. "

*(From a blog report by Lin Lee on the BioMed Central blog at [blogs.biomedcentral.com/bmcblog/2013/03/27/the-importance-of-evidence-based-medicine-bmc-medicine-attends-evidence-live-2013/](http://blogs.biomedcentral.com/bmcblog/2013/03/27/the-importance-of-evidence-based-medicine-bmc-medicine-attends-evidence-live-2013/))*

## **Information Demands Require Skilled Information Management**

Previous studies have shown that physicians generate about five questions for each patient. Fifty-two percent of these could have been answered by the medical record or a hospital information system, while twenty-five percent could have been answered by published information resources. According to Kathleen Ramos, in 2003, residents generated 274 questions from 215 encounters, from which 182 were immediately answered and 24 were regarded as important enough to look up later. But of the 24 worth looking up, only 7 were actually pursued. Forty percent of the answers were based on an expert consultant, 40% were from a pocket text and 10% from a textbook. The ability to find reliable information in the literature is of great importance and continues to increase in importance each year, as more and more articles are published every year.

Over twenty years ago, it was estimated that to stay current, a clinician would have to read 17 peer-reviewed articles per day, every day of the year (Haynes, 1993). Even for specialists the task is not easy considering the fact that 170,000 articles on cancer have been indexed since 1987 for MEDLINE, a major biomedical literature database, (Fowler, 2000). **And that deluge of papers is ever increasing with over 867,000 article citations, specific to cancer, added to MEDLINE in just the last 10 years.**

So the clinician must know how to search effectively, where to search, how to access the information, how to store it and how to manage it once stored. This course will help you to develop these skills, using tools that are all freely available to SLU students.

## **When Will I Use These Information Management Skills?**

You will use the tools and skills learned in this online course immediately in the first semester of your studies. The Cell Biology and Molecular Biology course (CMB-100) will require the use of PubMed to search the medical research literature for help with your small group discussions and the skills learned with PubMed can also be applied to three other partner databases, MedGen, Gene and the Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man (OMIM) databases for additional genetic/molecular biology information. These four databases will be very helpful for all portions of the course.

In the coming semesters, skilled searching of the literature will help in coursework, clinical clerkships, as well as, research projects undertaken by students. These skills will serve you throughout your four years in Medical School, during your Residency and throughout your career as a physician. They will enable you to keep up with the rapid changes that will take place in medicine in the years ahead.

## **What is involved?**

You will complete two online tutorials. One will cover using PubMed to search MEDLINE, a biomedical research literature database. The other will cover the practice of evidence-based medicine (EBM) as it relates to forming defined clinical questions as a basis for extracting search terms to be used in designing effective search strategies for PubMed. Both tutorials are followed by open book quizzes to test your ability to apply what was presented in the tutorials.

Additional information is present in the form of tutorials (*Ovid*) and Web documents with links to other useful information resources (e.g. Useful Clinical Web Tools for the Cell and Molecular Biology Course; also Mobile Web Tools for Medicine). Be sure to look at these as they will save you time in finding important information on clinical genetics, clinical trials and practice guidelines, to name a few. You will not be tested on this material, but the resources will be helpful to you in your first semester Cell and Molecular Biology course (especially OMIM, MedGen and Gene).

Also, as one of the reference librarians at the Medical Center Library (MCL), I would like you to know about some of the valuable online resources available to you as a medical student at SLU. We have multiple online resources available through our website at [lib.slu.edu/mcl](http://lib.slu.edu/mcl). In particular the resources under our **Quick Links** section of the home page are very useful. ***Access Medicine*** and ***Clinical Key*** offer access to a variety of biomedical information in the form of research papers, books, images and clinical tools. ***DynaMed Plus*** is designed as a point-of-care information tool that is very helpful in differential diagnosis determination and providing reliable disease information in a concise format. **All three of the resources should be used for your first semester Cell and Molecular Biology course, CMB-100, for finding reliable and professionally vetted information.**

In your orientation package, I have included information sheets on using *Access Medicine* and other MCL Online Resources available to you through the MCL website (<http://lib.slu.edu/mcl>). You will need your SLU username and password to access these resources. *Feel free to experiment with these resources this summer so you will be ready to go for your first lecture course, CMB-100.*

As a student at SLU you will have digital access to any paper you need online, free of charge, either through our journal subscriptions or our digital document delivery service called ILLiad. Details on this will be covered in the ***MIM-100*** course or you can contact me before the course starts to get that information.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

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Good luck,  
Dr. Clark