I can’t express in words how lucky I feel to have been part of this amazing program. When I was rejected from medical school, my self-confidence and self-worth was at an all-time low. I began to think that even if I would have been accepted I would have failed out my first year because I did not have the right skills to succeed. This program has given me the opportunity to regain my confidence and continue to improve myself.”

– Alejandro Rodriguez
Current UC Davis School of Medicine Postbaccalaureate Student

HOW TO APPLY
The UC Consortium utilizes a joint online application and a centralized service for supporting materials. This application process allows you to apply to one or more of the programs simultaneously. Although the application delivery system is centralized, your application will be considered separately by each program to which you apply. The application and instructions, including application deadlines, are available at:

https://postbac.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/

FOR MORE INFORMATION
For more information on cost as well as program details and contact information, visit:

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OVERVIEW
The University of California Schools of Medicine offer comprehensive postbaccalaureate programs designed to assist students from educationally and economically disadvantaged backgrounds in gaining admission to medical school. The programs seek students who are committed to practicing in underserved communities of California.

Located at UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC Los Angeles, UC Riverside, and UC San Francisco, each program provides:

- An intensive MCAT preparation and learning skills component, or summer classes.
- Enrollment in upper division science courses during the academic year at a UC campus.
- Guidance throughout the medical school application process. Some programs also provide clinical and research opportunities. Most programs are open to medical school reapplicants and first-time applicants.

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS

Summer Session
The programs include an intensive summer component preparing students for the MCAT and the upcoming academic year. MCAT preparation includes content review and test-taking strategies. There is group and individualized work on learning skills, time management, confidence-building and stress reduction—all intended to help students realize their full potential on the MCAT and in all of their academic work.*

Academic Year
During the academic year, students enroll in rigorous upper division science courses at a UC campus. Students are expected to maintain a GPA of 3.5 or better in their courses. The course work is an opportunity for students to implement new learning skills and study habits, to broaden their knowledge base, and to demonstrate that they will excel in the challenging academic environment of medical school. Participants also attend seminars on the health care of underserved populations.*

*UC Irvine offers course enrollment in Summer Session I & II and MCAT preparation during the Spring Quarter.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Applicants must:

- Be committed to practice in underserved communities of California
- Be a resident of California
- Come from an educationally and/or economically disadvantaged background
- Have completed an undergraduate degree in an accredited U.S. college or university
- Have completed all or the majority of the requirements for medical school
- Have attained the minimum GPA and MCAT scores required by each program (MCAT not required for first-time applicants)

PLEASE NOTE: Admission into a postbaccalaureate program at the UC Schools of Medicine in no way guarantees admission to the UC Schools of Medicine. On an annual basis, the Consortium recommends to the UC medical schools those students who have successfully completed the requirements of the postbaccalaureate programs. Acceptance decisions are made solely by the Schools of Medicine.

“When the path gets tough, it does not mean stop. It means push harder, stronger, and create your own way.”