The Departments of Medical Education and Graduate Medical Education have collaborated with the Office of Student Affairs to provide the ISMMS Class of 2021 with a pathway that will provide medical students with the opportunity to interview and be considered for acceptance directly into one of the Mount Sinai Health System residency programs in their chosen specialty.

**Participating Mount Sinai Residency Programs by Site:**
- Categorical Internal Medicine (MSH, MSMW, MSBI)
- Preliminary Internal Medicine (MSH, MSMW, MSBI)
- Neurology (MSH, MSBI/MW)
- PM&R (MSH)
- Anesthesiology (MSH, MSMW)
- Psychiatry (MSH)
- Vascular Surgery (MSH)
- Surgery (MSH)
- Emergency Medicine (MSH, MSMW)

**Application Eligibility**
Any student planning to graduate in 2021 is eligible to apply.

**Application, Supporting Documents and Timeline**
- The application can be found here and requires academic information, extracurricular and achievements, and more. It is important to know that this application does not allow you to save and return at a later day; therefore, once you start filling out the application, you must complete it.
- Three letters of recommendation from medical school faculty who have served as clinical, scholarly project or lab mentors.
- A 500-word count essay regarding your interest in the specialty. See FAQ for more information.
- An unofficial transcript and a letter of good standing from the Office of Student Affairs. Both items will be generated after receipt of the Residency Early Decision application on your behalf.

The application, letters of recommendation and essay are due by June 22, 2020 and should be sent by email to student.affairs@mssm.edu.

Completed applications and all supporting documents will be submitted to the programs as they are received prior to June 23, 2020 for review.

The interview and decision timeline is listed below:
- Invitations to interview will be sent out by July 10, 2020.
- Interviews will be completed by August 14, 2020.
- Formal letters of acceptance will be sent out by September 1, 2020. If accepted, students will receive an early decision letter that will detail any expectations that are required for the duration of medical school (i.e. meeting graduation requirements, participation in the NRMP Match process).
Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Can I apply to other programs if I have been accepted to this pathway?** The goal of this pathway is to alleviate the need to apply elsewhere. If you do intend to apply elsewhere you must vacate your early decision acceptance and notify in writing the Program Director and Dr. Tara Cunningham in the Office of Student Affairs. The deadline to vacate your position is September 30, 2020.

2. **Do I still have to submit an ERAS application if accepted into this pathway?** Yes, an ERAS application is required for permanent records and is required for all graduating seniors who intend to enter graduate medical training.

3. **Do I have to participate in the NRMP Match process and submit a Rank Order List?** Yes, you will need to rank the residency program that accepted you as your sole choice in order to create the official Match record.

4. **Do I have to complete the Noteworthy Characteristics process for the Medical Student Performance Evaluation (MSPE)?** Yes, the MSPE is a historical document that you may need in the future for fellowship or employment. All graduating seniors must have a MSPE.

5. **Can I apply to multiple programs and/or sites?** Yes, students may apply to multiple programs and/or sites. If you are submitting to more than one specialty, you may submit specialty-specific essays.

6. **If I am not accepted into the MSHS program through this pathway, how is my application considered during the Main Residency Match? Do I have to apply to the MSHS program through ERAS for the Main Match and pay for it?** Your application will be fully considered among the other applications received by the program. All ERAS fees will apply.

7. **Is the acceptance through this pathway binding?** The matched commitment is binding on all parties. There is an opt-out period as described above.

8. **Is there an application charge for this process?** No additional charges are required for this process. ERAS charges a base fee of $99 for application of up to 10 programs. NRMP charges a standard registration fee of $85 (2020).

9. **Who do I contact for questions?** Start with the Office of Student Affairs by email to student.affairs@mssm.edu; we will do our best to get the information you need.