



## **Baccalaureate/ Doctor of Medicine Scholarship Guidelines**

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The University Of Southern Indiana B/MD Scholarship promotes academic excellence in pre-medical undergraduate studies. Additional program goals are as follows:

- To increase the number of physicians providing medical services to Indiana residents residing in Southwestern and Southern Indiana.
- To increase opportunities for Indiana residents, especially those who reside in the Southwestern and Southern portions of the state, to obtain education and training in Indiana University School of Medicine.
- To enhance the State's efforts in medical education, research, and services focusing on medical issues in Indiana.

**Eligibility** – Students eligible to apply to the program must be residents of Indiana and meet the following criteria:

- A minimum SAT score of 1200 (without writing component), 1800 (with writing component), or ACT score of 27 **AND**
- High school grade point average of at least 3.5/4.0

**Application** – Admission to the joint B/MD program is a dual process. Students entering the program will be independently accepted into the undergraduate program at the University of Southern Indiana and the medical degree program at Indiana University School of Medicine. The following procedure will be followed:

1. Applications will be sent to the B/MD Advisory Committee at the Evansville Center for Medical Education.
2. The Advisory Committee will forward the applications for review to the University of Southern Indiana.
3. Those students accepted by University of Southern Indiana will be reviewed by the B/MD Advisory Committee.
4. Applications from qualified students will then be forwarded to the Admissions Committee of Indiana University School of Medicine.
5. The Admissions Committee of the School of Medicine will arrange for the candidates to have an interview with members of that Committee.
6. Final selection and admission to the School of Medicine will be the responsibility of the Admissions Committee of Indiana University School of Medicine.

Neither acceptance into the University of Southern Indiana nor a recommendation to forward the student's application to the Admissions Committee of Indiana University School of Medicine guarantees acceptance by the School of Medicine. Selected students will have a provisional seat in Indiana University School of Medicine. The application will contain the following:

1. The application form
2. A letter of evaluation from high school guidance counselor, high school principal, a high school teacher, and a personal reference from an unrelated individual (minister, employer, etc.)
3. High school transcripts
4. An essay discussing his/her interest in medicine and long-term goals in the profession of medicine

**NOTE:** Students who decline USI's offer of a B/MD Scholarship forfeit all future entitlement to this award.

**Retention and Progression** – Once admitted into the program the student must meet defined criteria to claim the provisional seat reserved in the Indiana University School of Medicine. Those criteria are as follows:

1. Continuous enrollment.
2. A cumulative GPA of 3.0/4.0 is required for the first 31 undergraduate hours and a cumulative GPA of 3.5/4.0 from 62 hours until Baccalaureate degree is completed.
3. Students must take the MCAT and obtain a score equal to the average of the previous year's entering class at Indiana University School of Medicine.
4. Completion of required coursework includes course designed specifically for the B/MD program.

Students may major in any field but must complete specified courses for this program and application to medical school. If a student fails to meet the above requirements, they will not be allowed to matriculate directly into the Indiana University School of Medicine. The student may seek admission to the School of Medicine through normal pathways.

**Scholarship Renewal** – Scholarship recipients who fail to meet Retention and Progression requirements will be dismissed from the program and the B/MD Scholarship will be forfeited. If a dismissed student meets the minimum grade point average and other requirements of the Departmental Scholarship, it will be reinstated at the request of the student.

For selected scholars, the University provides in-state tuition (Indiana resident rate) for completion of the first bachelor's degree or until 136 semester hours are earned, whichever comes first. Semester hours earned prior to undergraduate enrollment at USI (ex. AP, CAP, CLEP, IB, etc.) are **not** included in the 136 semester hours. Awards are coordinated with other tuition-specific aid (if applicable) to ensure that the total of such aid does not exceed actual tuition charges.

NOTE: All scholarship participants must maintain good standing at USI. Students who are dismissed from the University forfeit all entitlement to the B/MD Scholarship.

**Appeals Process** – Students may request exceptions to the B/MD Scholarship Rules and Regulations when unusual or mitigating circumstances warrant such action. Appeals must be submitted in writing to the Student Financial Assistance Appeals Committee at USI. Send all correspondence to the Office of Student Financial Assistance, University of Southern Indiana, 8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, IN 47712. Decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.