

## **Penn Access Summer Scholars (PASS) Program**

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### **Haverford College 2023-24**

PASS is an early assurance program between Haverford College and the Perelman School of Medicine (PSOM) at the University of Pennsylvania to recruit Haverford students from underrepresented backgrounds. Upon successful completion of the PASS program requirements, qualified students will then receive admission to PSOM.

The application is a two-step process:

1. Apply for nomination to the Haverford College Faculty Pre-Health Advisory Committee by **5:00pm EST on January 8, 2024**. Please request application materials directly from Todd Rothman, Director of Pre-Professional Advising.
2. If nominated, your application will then be forwarded to the PASS Program Director at the PSOM for further consideration and review. Nominees will be notified in March.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Sophomore status

Membership in a group traditionally underrepresented in medicine

Minimum score(s) of 1300 SAT or 29 ACT

Minimum Cumulative GPA of 3.6 at the time of application, including Fall 2023 grades.

Successful completion of three semesters of science (biology, chemistry, physics and math) courses. Designated pre-health coursework qualifies for this requirement.

Demonstrated leadership and strong qualities of character

Clear and consistent motivation to study, and ultimately pursue, a career in medicine

U.S. citizenship or permanent resident status (connected to summer research funding administered under NIH grants)

### **STUDENT PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS & DETAILS**

#### **SUMMER**

Students are required to spend Summer 2024 and Summer 2025 at the University of Pennsylvania doing mentored research and participating in various enrichment experiences. The latter includes shadowing of clinicians, didactic presentations on

medical topics and issues, physicians sharing their career narratives and visits to medical student-led community clinics.

Students will receive a stipend (\$4,000) and be provided housing each summer.

#### **ACADEMIC YEAR**

At the midpoint of each semester until graduation, students will check-in with Todd Rothman to review academic progress. In addition, at the end of each semester until graduation, students will submit an official transcript to the PASS program.

#### **LINKAGE ADMISSION**

Students who successfully complete the PASS Program will be eligible to seek linkage admission to PSOM without taking the MCAT, if:

They are strongly recommended by their University of Pennsylvania research mentor.

They are strongly endorsed by the Health Professions Faculty Committee at Haverford College.

They are deemed a good fit for PSOM based on assessments by the Office of Admissions and the Program for Diversity and Inclusion at PSOM.

They have science and cumulative GPAs of 3.6 or higher at the time of application.

They certify they have not taken the MCAT and will not take the MCAT. *Students who have taken the MCAT will not be considered for linkage and must apply through the regular admissions process.*

They have continued to demonstrate leadership and strong qualities of character at Haverford.

They meet all of the other requirements for admission to PSOM.

Students who gain linkage admission to PSOM will receive a merit-based scholarship of \$35,000/year, along with any available need-based aid.

#### **A FEW NOTES**

PSOM reserves the right to deny participation in the PASS Program or withdraw a student from the Program if the student has misrepresented or omitted material information in the application process or fails to maintain good academic and disciplinary standing.

PSOM may remove or withdraw any student whose performance in the Program is unsatisfactory or whose behavior is disruptive or otherwise incompatible with the University's behavioral standards for students.