

## MedFuture Application Guide

MedFuture is a pre-med pathway program that provides UTEP students with guaranteed admission to medical school at the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine if all program criteria are met.

The application portal for MedFuture opens annually on August 1 and closes at 5 p.m. (MST) on December 1.

To be eligible to apply for the MedFuture program you should:

- Be a senior in high school
- Apply to UTEP ([www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org)), fulfilling all UTEP enrollment requirements and providing all college placement information
- Have an SAT or ACT score above the average for the State of Texas
- Be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. Permanent Resident

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU START YOUR APPLICATION**

The MedFuture application is single 'page' with **no option to save or return to your application** if you leave the page.

The advantage to this is that you do not need to 'create an account' to apply to MedFuture.

The challenge is that you need to have all your responses ready to go before you start.

This document will help you compile all your responses so that you can copy and paste your information into the application page.

### **OTHER THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW**

To be considered for an interview for the MedFuture program, you must apply to UTEP and ensure that any necessary documentation has been sent to UTEP. This includes

- SAT or ACT score reports - **required**
- High School transcripts - **required**
- EPCC or other institution transcripts
- AP score reports
- IB score reports / transcripts

### **ANY QUESTIONS??**

Email Dr. Gail Arnold, [glarnold@utep.edu](mailto:glarnold@utep.edu) and Ms. Becca Harding, [rlharding2@utep.edu](mailto:rlharding2@utep.edu).

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## WHAT'S IN THE APPLICATION

### Personal Information

It is important that this information (name, email, birthday) matches what you have or will enter into your application to UTEP.

#### Personal Information

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Birth Date \*

Email Address \*

Gender

Confirm Email Address \*

Mobile Phone

Siblings in pre-health professions pathway (at UTEP or any other institution) \*

ZIP/Postal Code

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## Parent Information

We require contact information for one parent/guardian. You may enter a second parent if you choose to.

### Parent Info

Parent 1 First Name \*

Parent 1 Last Name \*

Parent 1 Home Phone

Parent 1 Email Address \*

Parent 2 First Name

Parent 2 Last Name

Parent 2 Home Phone

Parent 2 Email Address

## High School

If you are participating in a home school program, please check the box.

If not, please leave the box empty and proceed to the next field to search for your high school.

### High School 1

I am attending/have attended a home school

High School

School Name or City (full or partial)

In order to search by name, enter at least 3 characters of the name.

Country

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## College Credit

Do you have any college credit?

▼

No previous college credit hours

College credit hours

Please make your selection from the drop-down menu.

If you have college credit, please indicate the institution that the credit was earned from (e.g. EPCC, UT Austin (OnRamps), Austin Community College, etc)

## Entry Term

Your MedFuture entry term will be the same as your first semester at UTEP after high school graduation.

### Entry Term

MedFuture Entry Year \*

Fall 2026 ▼

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## Activities & Awards

In this section, there are separate sub-sections for

1. Academic Recognition
2. Non-Academic Recognition
3. Leadership
4. Community Engagement
5. Extracurricular Activities
6. Healthcare Related Activities

**IMPORTANT – you are only allowed 3 entries per sub-section.**

You should not enter the same activity in more than one sub-section (no ‘double dipping’).

You may combine activities into a single entry. For example, if you have had ‘leadership’ with the same unit, but perhaps under different titles, secretary one year, vice-president the next, you can combine these 2 years into one entry and use the 300 character description field to provide more details about these leadership experiences.

### Example – Academic Recognition

Academic Recognition - Honors, awards, scholarships. & otherwise

Any academic recognition? \*

Any further academic recognition?

First Award

Date Received

Description of Award (300 character limit)

you must  
answer  
‘yes/no’

To enter a 2<sup>nd</sup>  
award, select ‘yes’

Example  
‘National Honor Society’

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## Example – Academic Recognition

Non-Academic Recognition - Non-academic honors, awards, or otherwise

Any non-academic recognition? \*

Any further non-academic recognition?

First Award

Date Received

Description of Award (300 character limit)

you must  
answer  
'yes/no'

Example  
Music, art, community awards or  
recognition

## Example – Leadership

Leadership - Leadership roles or positions of responsibility

Any leadership recognition? \*

Any further leadership recognition?

Leadership Title

Leadership Start Date

Leadership End Date

Leadership Description (300 character limit)

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### Example – Community Engagement

*Please tell us about any way you give back to your community. Can be anything, does not need to be related to school or medicine.*

Community Engagement - Non-healthcare related community service or volunteer activities

Any community engagement recognition? \*

Any further community engagement recognition?

Community Engagement Title

Community Engagement Start Date

Community Engagement End Date

Community Engagement Description (300 character limit)

### Example – Extracurricular Activities

*Please tell us more about you. Any student organizations, have any hobbies?*

Extracurricular Activities - Extracurricular or significant leisure time activities

Any extracurricular activity recognition? \*

Any further extracurricular activity recognition?

Extracurricular Title

Extracurricular Start Date

Extracurricular End Date

Extracurricular Description (300 character limit)

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## Example – Extracurricular Activities

*What activities have you engaged in that inform you about a future career in medicine?*

Healthcare Related Activities - Community service, volunteer, employment, or shadowing experience

Any healthcare activity recognition? \*

Any further healthcare activity recognition?

Healthcare Activity Title

Healthcare Activity Start Date

Healthcare Activity End Date

Healthcare Activity Description (300 character limit)

## Meaningful Experiences

*From all the experiences listed in your application -which has been the most meaningful to you and why?*

List your top 3 most meaningful experiences (500 character max)

Meaningful Experience

Meaningful Experience 2

Meaningful Experience 3

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## Essays

It is best to prepare your essays in another program/document and then copy and paste your text into the fields in the application.

Maximum length of Essay1 is 5000 characters including spaces.

Maximum length of Essay2 is 2500 characters including spaces.

You are strongly encouraged **NOT** to use any AI/ChatGPT type programs to help you with your essays.

The purpose of these essays is to get to know *you*. Your story needs to be told in your voice.

### Essay 1

What aspirations, experiences, or relationships have motivated you to pursue the study of medicine and apply to the MedFuture Program? (5000 character limit)

### Essay 2

Briefly discuss any unique circumstances or life experiences that are relevant to your application which have not previously been presented (2500 character limit)

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### Letter of Recommendation

You are required to have ONE letter of recommendation.

If you would like to include a second letter of recommendation, you may do so. If you use this option, it should be from an individual that can tell us something *different* about you than what we will learn from your primary letter writer.

Please make sure that the person(s) you enter here are aware and willing to write a letter for you. Your letter writer will receive an email from either Dr. Gail Arnold or Ms. Rebecca Harding with instructions on how to submit their letter.

#### Letter(s) of Recommendation

Name of Recommender: \*

Name of Second Recommender:

Relationship to Recommender: \*

Relationship to Second Recommender:

Email address of Recommender: \*

Email address of Second Recommender: