

THE MATCH 2026

Specialty Choice

Military	Ophthalmology	Most Specialty Areas
Joint Service GME Selection Board (JSGMESB)	San Francisco Match (SFMATCH)	Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS)
<p>Applicants are encouraged to schedule a clerkship at the location they hope to do their residency</p> <p>Each service has their own dates and deadlines for their applications</p> <p>The board meets in late November to decide where applicants will go, with results released mid-December</p>	<p>Applicant registration opens early July*</p> <p>The Centralized Application Service (CAS) opens to programs mid-September*</p> <p>The OSAC Registrar Unit uploads medical school transcript and the MSPE; the student uploads all other materials</p> <p>Rank order list is due January*</p> <p>Results released Feb 3*</p> <p>Students who match in Ophthalmology may need preliminary or transitional year</p> <p>Apply through ERAS to find a PGY1 position</p> <p>Submit a separate rank order list through the NRMP</p>	<p>MyERAS opens for students in early-June</p> <p>ERAS for programs opens September 24 and they begin to download applications</p> <p>The National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) opens September 15: this is a separate registration and fee</p> <p>The Medical Student Performance Evaluation (MSPE) is released September 24</p> <p>Interview offers may begin soon after September 24 and continue throughout the fall</p> <p>Interviews may take place October through January (specialty dependent)</p> <p>The NRMP Rank order list (ROL) certification deadline is March 4</p> <p>Results are released the third Friday in March</p> <p>For Obstetrics and Gynecology and also Emergency Medicine, students apply through ResidencyCAS, but submit a rank order list through NRMP</p> <p>For Urology, students apply to programs through ERAS, but submit a rank order list to the American Urological Association (AUA) match</p> <p>ROLs are due in January*</p> <p>Results are released Feb 2*</p>
<div> <h3><u>Resources</u></h3> <p> www.aamc.org/eras www.nrmp.org www.nrmp.org/soap sfmatch.org https://www.usuhs.edu/ www.auanet.org https://www.residencycas.com/ www.medicine.uiowa.edu/md/fourthyear </p> <p>Questions? Contact Annette Griffin annette-griffin@uiowa.edu/319-335-6823</p> </div>		

If a student is unmatched or partially unmatched (advanced but no PGY1/PGY1 but no advanced) they will participate in the Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program (SOAP) during Match Week

SOAP allows unmatched students to apply to open positions through ERAS

**consult listed websites for the most up-to-date information*