

Considering a MD-PhD?

Here are some tips
on applying for all
prospective
students!



Make sure you have done research!

The average MD-PhD candidate is entering the application cycle with ~2500 hours of research of all kinds! Research displays your independence, telling schools that you have taken initiative in scholarly pursuits.

It is perfectly okay if 2500 doesn't match your exact hours, but make sure your numbers are in the thousands!



But don't forget to do your research on the school!

You should identify principal investigators that you are interested in working with. They might be the person assigned to review your application and interviews.

If you're interested in researching the brain, apply somewhere with a neuroscience program!



Leave enough time to live

Programs are looking for well-rounded applicants, so you shouldn't be scared to talk about your hobbies and interests outside of medicine! But keep in mind how they relate to the school – admissions officers want to find the best fit, so make your interests match what they have to offer!

Programs emphasize authenticity to ensure that their candidates will be able to maintain a healthy work-life balance!



Remember your clinical and community service

While more emphasis is placed on research, your community service and clinical experience hours are still crucial to your application. Do not forget about them!

These hours give you hands on experience to further prepare you for studying medicine

