



## **5 1/2 YEARS MEDICAL DOCTOR PROGRAM**

**BECOME A MEDICAL DOCTOR IN JUST 5 1/2 YEARS  
FINANCIAL AID IS AVAILABLE FOR WHO QUALIFY**

we will take you step by step with the application process for this MD program located in this beautiful island of Dominican Republic. AMERI-WEST INDIAN SOCIETY is a NOT for profit organization whose one of its goal is to assist young, younger adult, middle adult and older adult to further their education,. that is why we are introducing this great program to you and we hope that you take advantage of it. So. whether you just completed high school, or been out of school or looking to change career You can earn your MD degree in just 5 1/2 years. For those of you who have college credits, don't worry just submit your transcript for evaluation.

OUR PROGRAM INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

BASIC AND INTERMEDIAL SPANISH

- *Admissions Form Completed.*
- *Birth Certificate.*
- *Legalized High School Diploma* by the department of Education and Dominican Consulate.
- *Legalized High School Transcript by the Dominican Consulate*
- *Health Certificate*
- *Vaccine Certificate (Hepatitis B, Tetanus and Polio).* Only for students entering the Health field.
- *Certificate of Good Conduct*
- *Sufficient Test (POMA)*
- *4 Photos (2 x 2)*
- *Copy of Passport*
- *2 letters of Recommendation (Non Familiar)*
- *If transferred, 2 sealed Transcript from each institution previously attended.*
- *If entering directly from High School, High School Transcript (7th, 8th and 9th) will be required to homologue your degree in the Dominican Republic.*
- *USD \$350.00 Admission Fee*

The school requires payment of US\$ 350.00 admission fee to be included with admission documents in order to start the admission process. The cost and fees for our school programs are illustrated in the diagram below:

<b>Tuition Cost and Fees</b>	<b>USD</b>
School Of Medicine	\$3,500
Pre-Medical Program (First 4 Semesters)	\$2,600
Admission Fee	\$350
Health Insurance (Per Semester/Option C)	\$130.00
Down Payment for Tuition	\$320.00

Acceptable methods of payments are:

- Money Orders,
- Bank Check (Cashier's Check), or
- Certified Check

\*Do not send cash through the mail or through couriers. WE DO NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS.

A minimum down payment of US\$800.00 will be accepted upon registration, costs includes but are not limited to:

\$320.00 Down payment Tuition  
\$130.00 Health Insurance Option C  
\$350.00 Admission Fee

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\$800.00 Total

## Transfer Credits from Other Institutions

The official evaluation of transfer credits is done by the academic advisor upon receipt of a student's official transcript from another institution. **The following policies should be applied to international students for transfer credit consideration. Other policies will be added to this listing as needed.**

- UCE will transfer no more than 50% of the credit required for a degree; at least one-half of the major must be completed at UCE.
- The student will be charged US\$ 50.00 for each transferred course (not credit). This charge will be added to the student's account and must be paid in full before graduation.
- The transfer process must be concluded before the student's request for admission. Once the transcripts are registered, they may not be returned to the student.
- The student has the burden of providing official translated copies of all course descriptions related to the courses that will be assessed for transfer.
- If the student has attended various institutions, two original transcript of each will be required.
- It is the student's responsibility to assure that the transcript is sent via private couriers (FedEx or UPS).
- Only course grades of "C" (70) or higher will be considered for possible transfer.
- The student must have completed a minimum of 6 credits in the institution of origin in order to qualify for transfer credit.

In the specific case of Medicine, the student may have one of the following scenarios:

- **Certified Pre-medical:** If the student has coursed all the pre-medical credits, a pre-medical certificate should be granted by a recognized institution or university in order to transfer all the credit.
- **Bachelor in Sciences:** This type of bachelor is accepted as a substitute of our pre-medical program, which is the 4 first semester in our MD Program. In such sense the student will start of in the 5th semester of our school program.
- **Other Bachelors and courses:** Other bachelors may be considered for transfer credit. Possible transfer will be analyzed in a subject by subject matter. This means that the student must complete the Pre-medical program at UCE.

The legalization process is finished once the original transcript is sent to the **Secretaría de Estado de Educación Ciencia y Tecnología (SEESCYT) by UCE**. The SEESCYT is the state organism that leads the Superior Education in Dominican Republic. It is the student's responsibility that the SEESCYT sends the legalized document to our institution. Once the legalized transcript arrives, the process is concluded. The SEESCYT will charge a fee in order to complete the legalization process; this fee runs at the students' expense.

Any U.S. Citizen and Eligible Non-citizen may qualify to receive financial Aid. The amount of the loan is based on the grade level and dependency status of the student. The following types of loans are available:

- Stafford Loans (Subsidized and Unsubsidized)
- Parent Plus Loan (Dependent Students)
- Graduate Plus Loan (Independent Students)
- Alternative Loans

**Subsidized Stafford Loans** are awarded to students who demonstrate financial obligation. The U.S. government will subsidize the interest rate, meaning that borrowers will not be charged interest while they are enrolled in school for at least half time and during the grace period, which is six months after graduation or withdrawal. The financial need analysis is made at UCE Financial Aid Office.

**Unsubsidized Stafford Loans** are awarded to students regardless of their financial obligations. However, the borrower will be held responsible for the interest rate that accrues as soon as the loan is disbursed. Students have the option of paying their interest rate while studying or they may also choose to capitalize their interest rate.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Be U.S. Citizen or Eligible Non citizen
- Be enrolled at least part time at UCE and attending classes
- Valid Social Security Number
- If is male, between 18 and 25 years old, must be register in Selective Service
- Must comply with the Satisfactory Academic Progress in accordance to the school's policy.
- Must not be in default in any previous loan.
- If is male, must be active in the US Arm Forces.

Any student on default status on any U.S. student loan can not receive federal loans until the status or problem is resolved.

## **DEPENDENCY STATUS**

A student is considered *independent* if the answer to one of the following questions is "Yes":

- Will you be at least 24 years old by December 31 of the award year?
- Will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (pre-medical courses completed and approved)?
- Are you married?
- Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you?
- Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) that live with you, which receive more than half of their support from you now and through the award year?
- Are you an orphan or under custody?
- Are you a veteran or active of the U.S. Armed Forces?
- Are you an Orphan or under court custody?

### Disbursement amount

Students are eligible for the following annual loan limits:  
(Remember that 1 academic year= 2 semesters= 8 calendar months)

Level	Credits	Dependents	Independents
Level 1	0-30 Cr.	\$5,500	\$9,500
Level 2	31-60 Cr.	\$6,500	\$10,500
Level 3	61-90 Cr.	\$7,500	\$12,500
Graduate/Professional	Premed approved	N/A	\$20,500

Additional to these loans, **parents** of dependent students can receive **Federal PLUS Loans**, is a loan based on the parents credit. In case that the parent does not qualify, the status of the student will automatically change and becomes an independent student. Meaning, the student may now receive additional unsubsidized Stafford Loan funds, up to the loan limits for an independent student.

The **maximum outstanding** subsidized and unsubsidized Stafford Loan debt allowed is US\$138,500 for Medical Students (including loans for pre-medical study). In case of the Pre-medical level only, a dependent student may accumulate a loan limit of US\$23,000 and an independent student US\$46,000.

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Fill out the Federal Loan Application online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Our School code is **G10977**.
2. Complete the Admission Process by submitting all the required documents.
3. After receiving an electronic response of the FAFSA, which is called the Student Aid Report (SAR), the school will evaluate the application and begin the loan process.

4. After registration, the following documents must be filled out at the Financial Aid Office:

- Master Promissory Note
- Office Application Form
- Entrance Interview
- Any other document required by UCE