



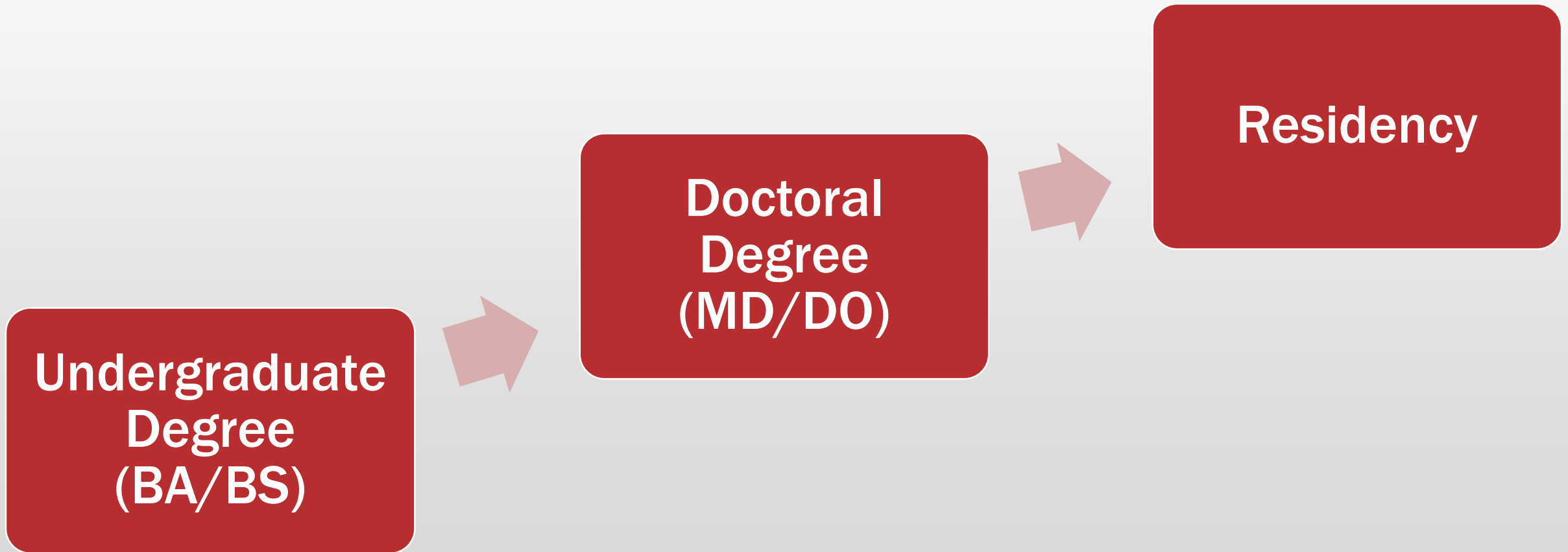
UNM

COLLEGE of ARTS & SCIENCES
and SCHOOL of MEDICINE

Combined BA/MD Program



Career Pathway for a Medical Doctor



Medical School Options



Medical School

- Traditional Route
 - Apply anytime after earning four-year college degree



- UNM Combined BA/MD Program
 - Apply senior year of high school

What is the Combined BA/MD Degree Program?

**8-year Partnership degree program
between the College of Arts & Sciences
and the UNM School of Medicine**

**Designed to help alleviate
New Mexico's physician shortage, especially in our rural and
medically underserved areas**

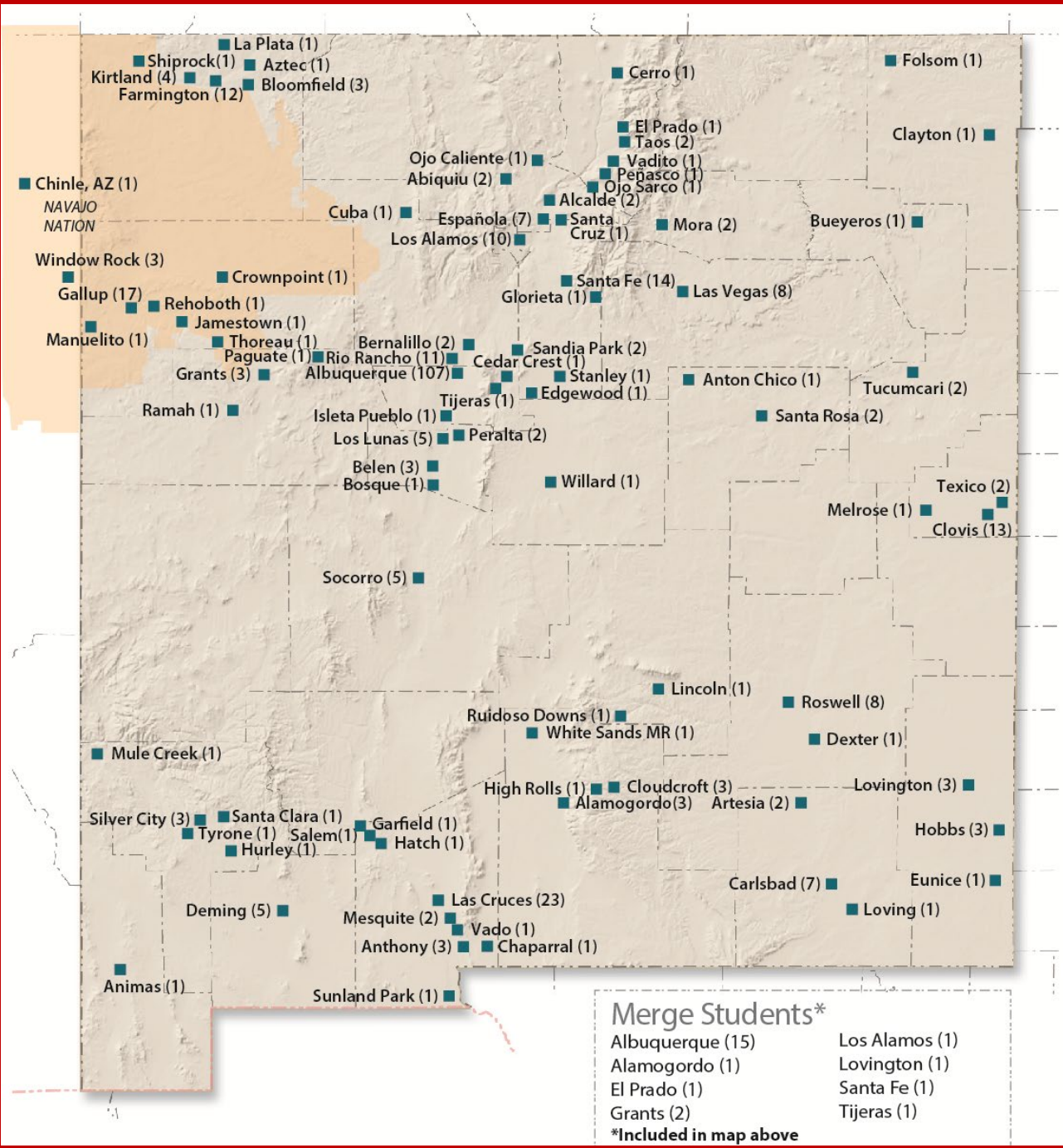
Admits 28 high school seniors every year

Why apply to the UNM BA/MD Program?

- Reserved seat in the UNM School of Medicine
- Scholarship and financial aid packages
- Unique curriculum addressing healthcare in NM
- Personalized academic advisement
- Living and learning communities in Redondo Village Apartments



BA/MD Student hometowns from 2006 - 2017



BA/MD Eligibility

In order to be considered applicants **MUST...**



Be a New Mexico resident



Be a current New Mexico high school senior



Meet a minimum ACT or SAT score

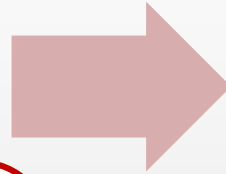
ACT: 22 Math, 19 Science, 19 Reading and 19 English

SAT: 510 Math, 450 Critical Reading

More about the SAT/ACT

About the Test

- Free preparation offered on official test websites
- Tests offered several times each year



Your Part

- Plan ahead
- Sign up early with your high school counselor
- Plan to take more than one

Does this describe you?

BA/MD students...

Have a desire to
serve rural and
underserved
communities



Have strong
academics and
diverse
experiences

Have a strong
interest in pursuing
medicine as a
career in NM

BA/MD Timeline

Date

Application

August 1stOpens

1st Thursday of November (at 5:00pm)Closes

November - FebruaryInterviews

April 1stApplicants notified of BA/MD admissions decision
(Accepted, Waitlisted or Declined)

May 1stApplicant Decision
(Accept or Decline BA/MD offer)

UNM & BA/MD Applications

Applicants submit each of these items by the BA/MD deadline.

	BA/MD	UNM
Application	✓ Online	✓ Online or Paper
Transcripts	✓ Official high school transcripts	✓ Official high school transcripts
ACT/SAT	✓ Scores reported by student	✓ Official scores reported by ACT/SAT
Regents/Presidential Scholarship Application	✓ Required if eligible	

Inside the BA/MD Application

Things to Know

- All completed applications are reviewed
- Applicants are evaluated on cognitive and non-cognitive criteria
- Eligible applicants who complete the application by the deadline will be invited to interview

	BA/MD Application
!	Personal Information
!	Parent/Guardian Information
!	Self Identification
!	Photo Upload
!	Personal Statement
!	Experiences
!	UNM Admissions
!	Transcripts
!	Test Scores
!	Scholarships
!	Recommendations
!	Submit Application

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Personal Statement

In 4,000 characters or less discuss:

- Motivation for a career in medicine
- Diversity of your background and how it has influenced your goals and prepared you for a career in medicine
- Understanding of cultural diversity

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Experiences

Include all 4 years of high school

- Community Service
- Volunteer
 - Clinical experience
 - Youth groups
- Leadership
 - Committees/organizations
- Honors/Awards
 - Academic Achievement
- Extracurricular
 - Work
 - Sports

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Test Scores

- Scores are accepted for tests taken until BA/MD application deadline.
- If you will be taking a test near the deadline and will not receive your scores before the application is due, notify the BA/MD office!

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Recommendations

3 Letters

- Math/Science instructor
- College prep instructor
- Someone else with knowledge of qualifications

All letters are submitted electronically

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Interviews

All eligible applicants who complete the application by the deadline are invited to interview

- Interviews are scheduled November – February
- Two one-on-one interviews with different committee members
- Committee members may be MDs, PhDs, medical students, UNM staff, and Albuquerque community members

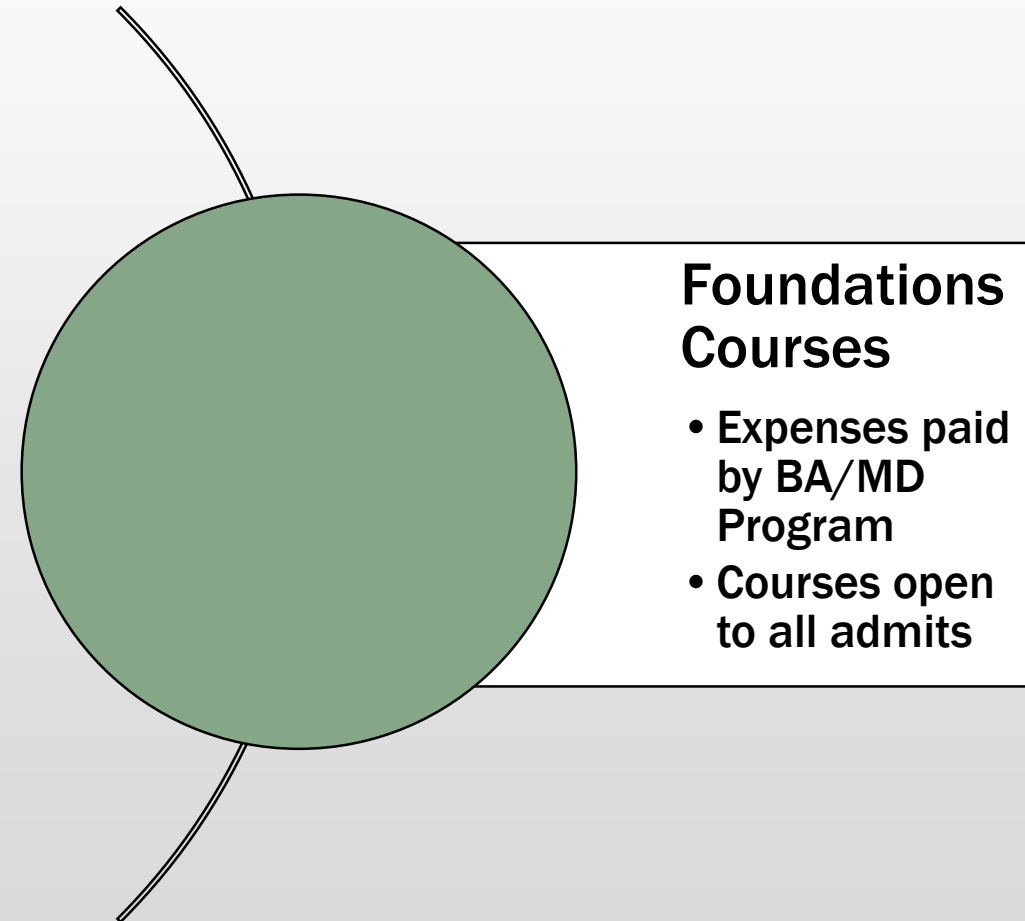


BA/MD Provisional Admittance

Students with the following test scores are admitted provisionally and may be required to attend a summer session before starting college.

Foundations of Science

- **Math 121 + HMHV 150**
 - ACT Math 25 or below
 - SAT Math less than 620
- **HMHV 150**
 - Composite ACT 25 or below
 - Composite SAT 1150 or below
- **Must complete with C or better to continue with program**

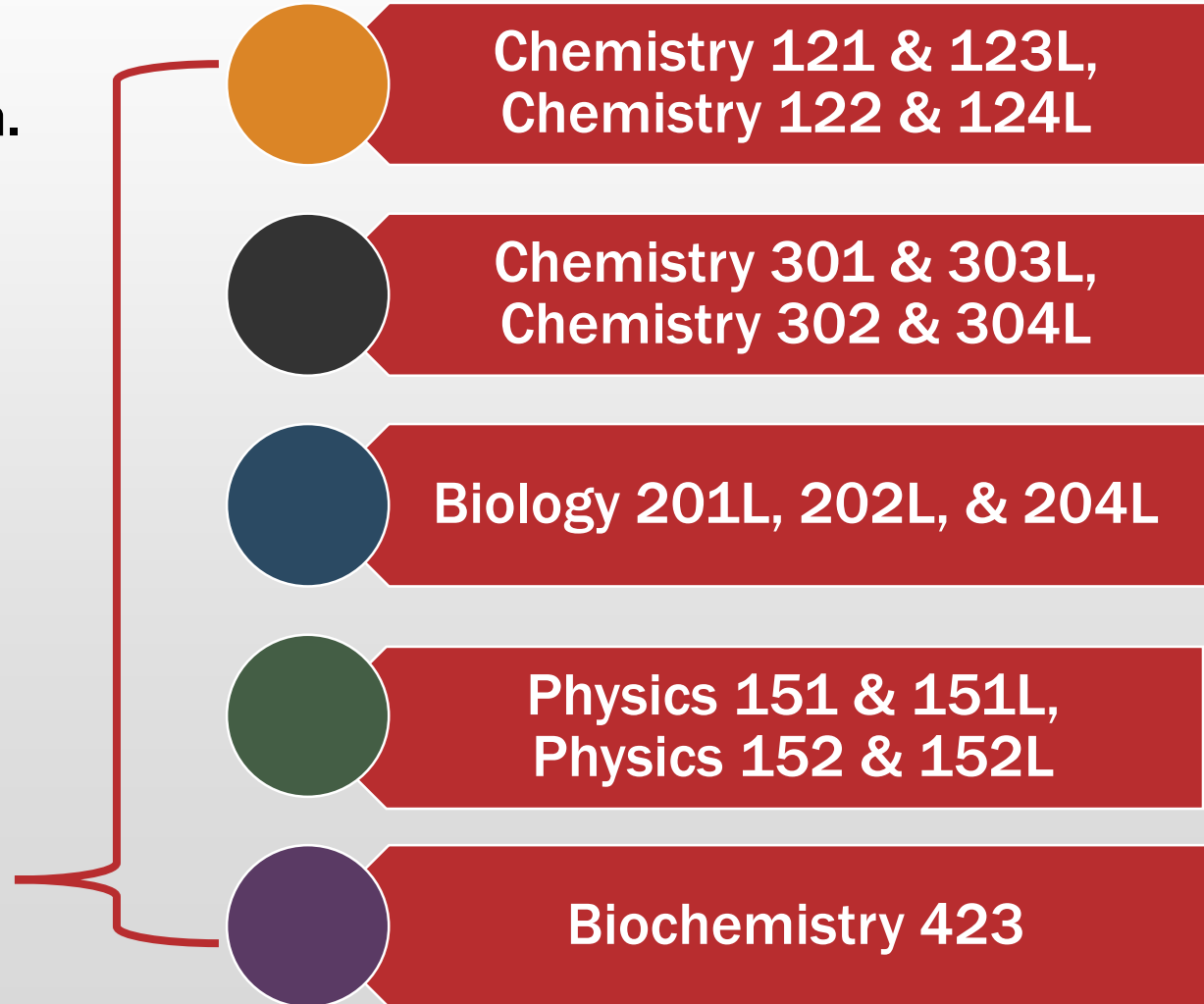


Admitted BA/MD Students

BA/MD students meet the following requirements to continue in the program.

- 3.37 cumulative GPA
- 3.0 Pre-Med GPA
- Meet UNM School of Medicine minimum MCAT Score

Required Pre-Med Courses



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