

Program Directors Association Guide for Residency Applicants

Academic Year: 2024-2025

Specialty: Dermatology

Application platform: ERAS

Additional information about application platform:

Application deadline: None

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Program specific but most application deadlines are around the ERAS release date at the end of september

Match platform: NRMP

Additional information about Match platform:

Letters of recommendation (LORs):

Total number of LORs recommended: 3-4

Is it recommended that all LORs come from within this specialty:

Yes

No

Is it acceptable to submit any LORs after the initial application is submitted?

Yes

No

Is a standardized letter or letter from the department chair recommended?

Yes

No

If yes, is the standardized letter or department chair letter included in the total number of LORs recommended above?

Yes

No

Recommended date by which all LORs should be submitted: ERAS Program Release Date

Additional information about LORs:

Recommended to have at least 2 LORs from within the specialty
Letter from PD or Chief/Chair is not required

Away rotation expectations:

Please see Dermatology Away Rotation Recommendations APD website

Supplemental information:

Are applicants required to complete supplemental application materials?

Yes

No

If yes, please specify:

Additional information about supplemental information:

Some programs require a program specific supplemental application but there is nothing across specialities

Signal information:

Please indicate the number of signals available:

3 gold and 25 silver

Are applicants expected to signal their home institution?

Yes

No

Are applicants expected to signal institutions where they completed away rotations?

Yes

No

Additional information about signals:

Please see the APD information regarding the 2024-2025 recruitment cycle

Use of USMLE/COMLEX scores:

What is the recommended date that a USMLE Step 2CK/COMLEX Level 2 score should be available in order for the application to be reviewed?

Program dependent

What is the recommended date that a USMLE Step 2CK/COMLEX Level 2 score should be available in order for an interviewed applicant to be ranked?

Program dependent

Are USMLE scores required or strongly recommended by the specialty even when an applicant has a COMLEX score?

Yes

No

Additional information about USMLE/COMLEX scores:

Interview invitation process:

Universal interview release dates recommended? Yes

No

If yes, please specify the dates:

November 4, November 18, December 2

If no, during what time period are interviews typically offered?

Additional information about interview invitations:

Refer to APD document

Recommended Interview format: Virtual
 In-person
 Hybrid

Additional information about interview format:

Program Dependent

Additional information for applicants, if relevant (e.g. applicant communication, second look/open houses):

There is a document posted on the DIGA (National Dermatology Interest Group) website with Application Information for most programs (interview dates, specific interview release date for program, meet and greets, interview format etc)