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Baylor College of Medicine joins TMDSAS

The Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS) announced today the addition of Baylor College of Medicine as the 19th member institution of the TMDSAS network.

“We are excited to welcome Baylor to TMDSAS at a critical juncture where the state of Texas is in dire need of physicians, particularly amid the pandemic,” said Matthew Meeks, executive director of TMDSAS, the Joint Admission Medical Program (JAMP), and the Texas Health Education Service (TXHES).

TMDSAS simplifies the application process for both the applicants and the participating schools by providing one standardized application, relieving students of the need to complete a separate application for each of the participating schools. The addition of Baylor to TMDSAS means applicants won’t have to use a separate system or pay an additional primary fee to apply to the Baylor College of Medicine starting in the entry year 2022 application cycle.

Baylor will be the first private institution to join TMDSAS. Baylor College of Medicine and TMDSAS have collaborated extensively through the years, particularly as an inaugural participating institution of JAMP.

“Our new partnership with TMDSAS will not only benefit the applicants by reducing the financial and time burdens of applying to two separate application systems, but it will also allow Baylor to attract a larger number of well qualified Texans to our pool,” said Karen E. Johnson, M.D., associate dean for admissions at the Baylor College of Medicine School of Medicine.

The addition of Baylor comes at a time when applications to TMDSAS member medical institutions have increased by 22% in entry year 2021, which represents the largest single-year increase in applications in TMDSAS history.

“The consistent increases and recent historic jump in well-qualified applications shows that our young people are driven and ready to answer the call to serve the people of Texas,” Meeks said.

As a TMDSAS member institution, Baylor will participate and contribute to TXHES resources that assist and guide aspiring physicians, health professions advisors, and the pre-health community of Texas.

Baylor College of Medicine School of Medicine admissions deans will join TXHES for a live Q&A as part of the Courage Session video series to address questions from the pre-health community. Watch live at www.facebook.com/txhes at 2 p.m. CT Feb. 23, 2021; a recording will be made available at www.txhes.com.

About Baylor College of Medicine

Since 1900, Baylor College of Medicine has created knowledge and applied science and discoveries to further education, healthcare, and community service locally and globally. Applicants interested in the educational requirements for Baylor should visit https://www.bcm.edu/education/school-of-medicine/m-d-program.

About TMDSAS

The Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service is the centralized application processing service for applicants to the first-year entering classes at all of the public medical, dental, and veterinary schools in the State of Texas. Under the administration of the Texas Health Education Service (TXHES), TMDSAS was first established in 1968 as The University of Texas System Medical and Dental Application Center.

While it continues to operate within and serve institutions in the UT System, the application service has since expanded to include public dental, medical, and veterinary schools in The Texas A&M University System, Texas Tech University System, Texas State University System, University of Houston System, University of North Texas System and now Baylor College of Medicine. For a complete list of TMDSAS member institutions, please visit www.tmdsas.com.

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