



Temporary MSMS Admissions Policy for Incoming 2022 students due to COVID 19 Pandemic

Purpose:

On June 8, 2020, the Master of Science in Medical Sciences (MSMS) Admissions Committee received the PHSU Temporary Policy for Conditional Admissions COVID-19, approved by the Board of Directors on May 7, 2020. In view of this announcement, the MSMS Admissions Committee recognizes that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some candidates might not be able to fulfill with all the criteria for admissions into the program.

The Admissions Committee of the MSMS Program establishes that the MCAT or an alternate standardized test result is submitted as part of the admissions criteria. In view of the cancellations and lack of availability for administration of these standardized test required in the admissions process, an amendment to the admissions requisites is recommended.

Also, the Admissions Committee of the MSMS Program establishes an admission requirement of three (3) letters of recommendation. The Covid-19 Pandemic has created certain access limitations for students to acquire letters of recommendation, taking this in consideration the Committee approved a temporary adjustment to the requirement from three (3) to Two (2) letters of recommendation.

Policy:

The Executive and Policy Committee of PHSU SOM supports the recommendation of the MSMS Admissions Committee to waive the standardized test component in the admissions process for Fall 2022 and to adjust the recommendation letter requirement.

This policy is temporary and effective until July 31, 2022.

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