

Frequently Asked Questions

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IMPORTANT WEBSITES

University of Cincinnati, Department of Otolaryngology website: www.ent.uc.edu

University of Cincinnati, Graduate Medical Education website: www.med.uc.edu/residency

National Residency Matching Program website: <http://www.nrmp.org/>

APPLICATION

How do I submit my application?

Answer: Applications are processed through ERAS at www.aamc.org/eras

REQUIREMENTS

Are there requirements other than stated in ERAS?

Answer: No. Step 1 scores are considered as an important factor when evaluating resident applications along with medical school ranking, research background, and letters of recommendation.

How many letters of recommendation are required?

Answer: As stated in ERAS - 3 are required

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Do we participate in ERAS and NRMP?

Answer: Yes (see above for web site links)

Do I need to apply separately to a General Surgery Program?

Answer: No. Otolaryngology residency program directors are responsible for the residents' internship year of training. Residency programs in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery are five years duration, with nine months of surgical, emergency and critical care, and anesthesia training in the first year. The program requirements are listed on the ACGME web site at www.acgme.org. The Otolaryngology residency program director is responsible for the design, implementation and oversight of a PGY-1 year.

Am I required to have passed Step 2 of the USMLE prior to applying to the Program?

Answer: You are not required to have passed Step 2 to apply; however, you will be required to have passed Step 2 for entrance into the program.

How many resident positions are there available?

Answer: We have 4 resident positions available at the PGY-1 level.

Does the program offer an external rotation for residents from other departments?

Our program offers a limited number of external rotation openings per academic year. Qualified residents from other institutions can apply through their program for an external rotation in the Department of Otolaryngology in accordance with the specifications of our rotational agreement with their institution. Arrangements must be made and approved in advance, with the required GME paperwork properly completed and submitted 6 weeks prior to their rotation start date.

FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES

Is prior clinical US Experience necessary?

Answer: No

What types of Visas - sponsorship, are accepted?

Answer: We accept J-1 visas.

What are the Eligibility requirements for FMGs?

Please refer to the National Resident Match Program (NMRP) website at <http://www.nrmp.org/>

Will my ECFMG certificate be required after passing Step 2 or will my application be accepted while my ECFMG certification is in process?

Answer: You must have received your ECFMG certification for your application to be considered.