OUR MISSION
Baylor College of Medicine is a health sciences university that creates knowledge and applies science and discoveries to further education, healthcare and community service locally and globally.

OUR VISION
Improving health through science, scholarship and innovation.

OUR VALUES

Respect
- Value others and treat them with courtesy, politeness and kindness
- Promote and support diversity, inclusion and equity
- Encourage civil dialogue that considers diverse opinions and ideas

Integrity
- Interact with honesty, consistency and transparency
- Operate in ways that demonstrate ethical behaviors
- Foster personal accountability to build trust

Innovation
- Cultivate creative ideas and unique talents across the organization
- Embrace a culture of continuous improvement
- Inspire the creation and application of new knowledge

Teamwork
- Sustain a culture that values collaboration
- Communicate openly to enhance understanding
- Establish effective partnerships

Excellence
- Promote the highest standards of safety, quality and service
- Strive to excel in every aspect of our mission
- Support an environment that inspires the best from our people

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BAYLOR BY THE NUMBERS

**No. 1** LEAST EXPENSIVE PRIVATE MEDICAL SCHOOL IN THE U.S.

**20th** IN NATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

**1st** IN TEXAS FOR FUNDING FROM THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

**9** AFFILIATED HOSPITALS

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT RANKING

TEXAS

**1st** IN TEXAS FOR PRIMARY CARE AND RESEARCH

NATIONALLY

**7th** FOR PEDIATRICS

**13th** FOR SURGERY

**17th** FOR PRIMARY CARE

**17th** FOR PSYCHIATRY

**18th** FOR RADIOLOGY

**19th** FOR ANESTHESIOLOGY

**19th** FOR FAMILY MEDICINE

**19th** FOR OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

**22nd** FOR RESEARCH

**25th** FOR INTERNAL MEDICINE

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**BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE**

**SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

**MISSION:** to develop diverse, compassionate physician leaders and educators who provide expert patient-centered care to diverse populations, supported by evidence-based practice and scientific innovation.

**VISION:** to serve as a model for innovation and excellence in medical education pedagogy. Through personalization of training, we empower our learners and faculty to:
- Care for a diverse community of patients
- Educate the next generation of physician leaders
- Pursue scientific discovery

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Baylor College of Medicine is a health sciences university dedicated to training the next generation of leaders in the biomedical and health sciences. We are committed to transforming healthcare both locally and globally, which is reflected in our focus on inquiry, service and innovation among our trainees. Baylor is a top-ranked school with diverse, supportive and service-oriented students and faculty, and is the least expensive private medical school in the country.

We provide the curriculum, services, resources and support to help you succeed. You provide the passion, effort and commitment. Together we will transform your dreams into your future. You are beginning your journey to becoming a physician at a time when the importance of this role is clearer than it has been at any point in recent memory.

TOGETHER WE WILL TRANSFORM YOUR DREAMS INTO YOUR FUTURE.

Paul Klotman, M.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
Executive Dean

Alicia Monroe, M.D.
Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic and Faculty Affairs

Jennifer Christner, M.D.
Dean of the School of Medicine

Karen E. Johnson, M.D.
Associate Dean of Admissions

Jesus G. Vallejo, M.D.
Associate Dean of Admissions, Diversity, Equity and Multicultural Affairs

THE BAYLOR EXPERIENCE
TRAINING DURING A PANDEMIC

The COVID-19 pandemic required medical schools across the country to reassess how to train students in the classroom and in the clinic, and Baylor College of Medicine was no exception. The School of Medicine transformed the curriculum for all four years of training while tending to the safety and concerns of all students. Here's how we did it:

CURRICULUM
- Successful in-person anatomy for all students, with PPE
- Successful implementation of hybrid learning models in first- and second-year doctoring courses
- In-person clinical sessions with preceptors
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We will help you reach your full potential as a compassionate healthcare provider and lifelong learner with the skills necessary to lead and participate in effective teams and to analyze and apply the latest advances in biomedical research to benefit your patients.

Within the first 18 months of medical school, our faculty effectively conveys the knowledge of the medical sciences required for future physicians.

MASTERING TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Breadth of knowledge in the medical sciences is essential, but tomorrow’s healthcare leaders also need transferable skills, such as communication, leadership and conflict management. Effectiveness in this environment requires critical thinking skills related to finding, evaluating, integrating and applying knowledge necessary for solving complex problems across a wide range of subject areas. We continue to develop active learning strategies that require the transfer and application of new knowledge to help build deep understanding and mastery of content and skills.

100% of Baylor students pass the first time they take the test, compared to the 97% national rate.

INTERPROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Effective teamwork among individuals in different professions in clinical settings leads to better outcomes for patients and increased patient satisfaction. Learning to both lead and participate as part of interprofessional teams is therefore an essential element of medical training. Interprofessional experiences begin in the first year at Baylor and include initiatives with students and faculty from Baylor’s School of Health Professions, University of Houston College of Pharmacy and Texas Woman’s University School of Nursing.

Medical students take courses along with students in other health professions programs and have opportunities for interactive learning experiences in which they work collaboratively with students from other health and science professions.

It was beneficial and enjoyable having anatomy class with the Physician Assistant and nurse anesthesia students. These interactions built a team-oriented mentality that continued to grow during our second-year rotations and throughout the remainder of our training.

PATRICK HUNT
M.D./PH.D. STUDENT

RESEARCH

The best doctors are those who can reason like a scientific investigator: think critically, generate hypotheses, analyze information, problem-solve and make sound decisions based on data. Students who choose to do research have many opportunities at Baylor. Our students often pursue translational laboratory research, clinical research and research in the humanities, including medical education, health policy and ethics.

Baylor faculty have either led or contributed to many of the major advances in biomedical sciences over the past century including, but not limited to, pioneering the fields of cardiovascular surgery, epigenetics and molecular endocrinology. Wherever your interest lies, Baylor has a mentor for you.

DISCOVER RESEARCH THAT MATCHES YOUR INTERESTS AT www.bcm.edu/research.

Texas Medical Center (TMC) with the downtown Houston skyline in the background.

Baylor’s Rank in Funding from National Institutes of Health.

20th
NATIONALLY

1st
IN TEXAS

12
DEPARTMENTS

TOP 30
To me diversity is less about walking into a room and seeing different colors and more about hearing about what people with different backgrounds bring to the table. The international population at Baylor and in Houston lends itself to having bigger conversations.

MARIA VIGIL
M.D. STUDENT

During the COVID-19 pandemic and the national response to the murder of George Floyd, our students stepped up in countless ways — organizing babysitting services for health providers on the front lines, collecting PPE and food for those in need and joining with peers from throughout the TMC for White Coats for Black Lives events.

ELECTIVE PROGRAM
Electives give you the opportunity to gain exposure and deepen your understanding of topics that align with your career and academic interests. You will be able to choose from approximately 300 elective courses to tailor your education to your needs.

EXPLORE www.bcm.edu/community FOR INFORMATION ABOUT COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

SERVICE
At a recent commencement ceremony, Dr. Paul Klotman, president, CEO and executive dean, said, “Being an active part of your community means building relationships, and it is those relationships that ultimately help bridge the gaps in cultural diversity, access to healthcare, limited educational opportunities and other social justice issues that exist today in rural and urban areas nationwide. Baylor College of Medicine graduates are defined as those with great intellect, but also with great compassion and vision for making a difference in the world.”

Students have many opportunities to build relationships through both College-run and student-initiated programs.

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WELLNESS
Taking care of yourself is a prerequisite to success during your education and throughout your career. Self-care and healthy habits are important not only to a healthcare provider’s well-being, but also to better care for and counsel their patients. Wellness is integrated throughout our curriculum, student support services and extracurricular activities at Baylor.

SIMULATION
Practicing in simulated scenarios helps students learn the skills needed for their medical careers. Simulation has been a part of our curriculum for over 25 years. Students interact with standardized patients (healthy individuals trained to simulate an actual patient) to hone diagnostic and communication skills. We use high-tech simulation equipment to provide a safe environment in which students can work with faculty to master skills.
THE BAYLOR CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Your clinical experiences are critical to getting the training, residency and career you want. Your goal is to learn all you can and to achieve that, you need exposure to many patients.

At Baylor, you train in some of the country’s best hospitals. The facilities of the Texas Medical Center and our opportunities for international rotations represent a variety of settings and patient populations, preparing you to succeed in any situation your career presents.

With no dominant ethnicity in Houston, the city’s diversity is reflected in the patient populations at our clinical facilities. Rich exposure to patients and families from many cultures and ethnic groups will prepare you to work anywhere in the world. Students have the opportunity to learn firsthand how health beliefs and practices are influenced by culture.

BAYLOR ST. LUKE’S MEDICAL CENTER

is jointly owned by Baylor College of Medicine and CommonSpirit Health and is part of the CHI St. Luke’s Health System. In addition to the Texas Medical Center facility, an 850-bed hospital that offers a range of specialties, a new facility is now operational on the McNair Campus in the Texas Medical Center. In the 2020 U.S. News & World Report “America’s Best Hospitals” survey, Baylor St. Luke’s ranked in the top nationally in four adult specialties and received a High Performing rating in six adult specialties and six procedures or conditions.

HARRIS HEALTH SYSTEM

is the public healthcare system providing primary, specialty and hospital care to residents of Harris County, Texas, the third most populous county in the U.S. Ben Taub Hospital, the central clinical care facility of Harris Health, is next door to the Baylor campus and serves as a teaching hospital for Baylor students for all specialties and their subspecialties. Ben Taub includes a Level I Trauma Center, an award-winning cardiac program and a Comprehensive Stroke Center. Medical students may also have rotations at Harris Health’s Thomas Street Health Center, the nation’s first freestanding facility dedicated to outpatient HIV/AIDS care.

MICHAEL E. DEBAKEY VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER

is one of the largest Veterans Affairs hospitals, serving Harris County and 27 surrounding counties. It serves as the primary healthcare provider for almost 130,000 veterans in southeast Texas. Veterans from around the country are referred here for specialized diagnostic care, radiation therapy, surgery and medical treatment, including cardiovascular surgery, gastrointestinal endoscopy, nuclear medicine, ophthalmology and treatment of spinal cord injury and diseases.

TEXAS CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

is the primary pediatric training site for Baylor students. The largest pediatric hospital in the nation, Texas Children’s is ranked in all 10 subspecialties in U.S. News & World Report’s list of America’s Best Children’s Hospitals, where it is also ranked the best in Texas and the third best pediatric hospital in the nation. The Texas Children’s Pavilion for Women is a state-of-the-art center for obstetrics and gynecology.

TIRR MEMORIAL HERMANN

is ranked fourth among the nation’s rehabilitation facilities, according to U.S. News & World Report. TIRR focuses on providing care to individuals who have experienced catastrophic injuries or illnesses. TIRR is home to the Baylor College of Medicine/University of Texas Health Science Center – Houston Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Alliance.

MD ANDERSON CANCER CENTER

is one of the world’s most respected centers devoted exclusively to cancer patient care, research, education and prevention. MD Anderson has ranked among the nation’s top two cancer hospitals in U.S. News & World Report’s “America’s Best Hospitals” survey since the survey’s inception.

THE MENNINGER CLINIC

partnered with Baylor and Houston Methodist in 2002. Menninger is considered one of the top centers for psychiatric care in the world and ranks in the top five in U.S. News & World Report listing of best psychiatric hospitals.

THE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL OF SAN ANTONIO

is the first freestanding children’s hospital in San Antonio. Baylor College of Medicine finalized an agreement with the hospital in 2013 to recruit, employ and oversee physicians there. This affiliation provides students with additional opportunities outside of Houston.

GLOBAL HEALTH: Through the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Global Health Learning Opportunities, our students have access to approximately 1,400 rotations in 30 countries. Students also have opportunities for rotations through the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative at Texas Children’s Hospital.

A medical student in the OR in Malawi. Malawi is a Baylor International Pediatrics AIDS Initiative site.

ROSEMARY PFAFF DEMET

STUDENT

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To support your success, Baylor provides a wide range of services including review sessions, tutoring, services for students with disabilities, veteran affairs services and counseling. Students have access to a variety of resources, quiet places to study and rooms to meet in small groups. Students have access to the Texas Medical Center Library and Academic Success Center, which offer varied educational and information resources, study spaces and small group meeting rooms. The Career Development Center works with students across the College, providing the necessary training, resources and connections to achieve their professional goals and develop meaningful careers. Student Wellness Services ensures students have access to resources that help maintain good physical and mental health. These include discounts to the campus gym and confidential counseling services available both on campus and through WellConnect, which includes a 24/7 crisis counseling hotline.

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TMC FACTS

9,200 PATIENT BEDS
8th LARGEST BUSINESS DISTRICT IN THE U.S.
10M PATIENT VISITS PER YEAR
180K+ SURGERIES Annually
$3B IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN PROGRESS
106K+ EMPLOYEES

BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE IS THE ACADEMIC CENTER AROUND WHICH THE TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER, THE WORLD’S LARGEST HEALTH CENTER, EVOLVED.
The diversity of conditions and backgrounds you will encounter during your clinical rotations will prepare you for your future, no matter where it takes you.

The Baylor faculty is composed of more than 1,600 full-time members and 2,000 part-time or voluntary faculty. As part of one of the nation’s leading research institutions, our faculty pursues tomorrow’s medicine through a wide range of research endeavors—all of which represent exceptional learning opportunities.

Your patients will be among your greatest teachers. The reputation of our faculty and our clinical affiliates draws patients from around the world.

Every faculty member has the time, resources and support necessary to dedicate to developing extraordinary teaching skills.

Residents and fellows also serve as impactful teachers. They receive dedicated training to develop and enhance their teaching skills through the Office of Graduate Medical Education.

The Learning Community is a network of clinical faculty advisers for medical students. Your adviser will follow you throughout your training at Baylor.

During your first year, your adviser will serve as your Patient, Physician, and Society course facilitator to introduce you to patient history and physical exam skills. You also will receive individual academic and professional guidance through one-on-one sessions with your adviser twice a year throughout medical school. These meetings will provide an opportunity to shape your individualized education plan and discuss personal and professional challenges and goals.

Once you identify your desired specialty, your adviser will help you identify other Baylor faculty members who can provide focused mentorship to help you progress toward your career goals.

You also will rely on your classmates as teachers, mentors and advisers, so the composition and culture of the student body are critical components of your education.

We believe that diversity:
- Advances the skills of physicians to provide healthcare to diverse populations
- Improves outreach to the medically underserved
- Broadens the scope of medical research

We are committed to promoting equal opportunity for all who are interested in a medical career, including groups that are underrepresented in medicine regionally or nationally due to race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, geographic location, unique personal experiences or other factors.

The student body is the best thing about BCM, hands down! I have learned so much, been so inspired, and gained so much perspective from my colleagues. There are a lot of misconceptions about interpersonal relationships between classmates in medical school, but I am fortunate to say I always felt valued and heard. When I married after my first year of medical school, my PRN-mates were right there at the wedding! I know I have made relationships at BCM that I will carry with me the rest of my life.

ADAM FLOYD
STUDENT

Baylor offers individual student mentors and specialty-specific mentors. More than that, though, I’ve found that almost every educator I’ve interacted with, from Deans to attendings in the hospital, have been passionate about educating the next generation of doctors and happily serve as mentors.

RACHEL ORTEGA
STUDENT

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE WELCOMES MOST DIVERSE CLASS IN 2021

2021 ENTERING CLASS

7,698
NUMBER OF APPLICANTS

3.89
AVERAGE GPA

850
NUMBER OF APPLICANTS INTERVIEWED

517
AVERAGE MCAT

185
CLASS SIZE

185
STUDENTS

98
WOMEN

87
MEN

57
UNDERREPRESENTED IN MEDICINE (URM) STUDENTS

35
LATINOX STUDENTS

22
BLACK STUDENTS

AGE RANGE: 19-31 YEARS
PATHWAYS

Baylor College of Medicine has developed specialized pathways to help you explore your interests and customize your education to match your career goals.

MEDICAL RESEARCH
This is a five-year program encompassing four years of the traditional M.D. training and one year of intensive research training with a Baylor faculty member. A tuition scholarship and stipend are provided to all accepted participants.

GLOBAL HEALTH
In partnership with the National School of Tropical Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, this pathway includes a one-month clinical elective abroad. Graduates acquire sufficient class hours and knowledge level to sit for the examination leading to the Certificate of Knowledge in Clinical Tropical Medicine and Traveler’s Health, sponsored by the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.

CARE OF THE UNDERSERVED
Curriculum is organized across all four years to provide students with the specific knowledge, skills and attitudes they need to care for underserved patients.

HEALTH POLICY
Throughout the four-year curriculum, this pathway provides a foundation in the fundamental principles of business and management.

MEDICAL ETHICS
Students receive in-depth exposure to bioethics and its clinical applications, culminating in a scholarly project and a Certificate in Biomedical Ethics.

SPACE MEDICINE
In this unique pathway, students complete four electives, including a research month. Faculty members are drawn from the Baylor College of Medicine Center for Space Medicine, Johnson Space Center and the Translational Research Institute for Space Health (TRISH).

GENETICS AND GENOMICS
Students have experience in didactic genetics courses, interact with patients and families in educational and service settings, train in both pediatric and adult genetics, and learn about the laboratory aspects of genetics testing, genomics of complex disorders and personalized genetic medicine.

DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMS

Baylor partners with outstanding institutions to allow our students to earn an additional degree while they are in medical school. Information on dual-degree programs is available at www.bcm.edu/dual-degrees.

M.D./PH.D.
Partner Institutions: Baylor College of Medicine Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, which is ranked among the top 10 percent of graduate schools in the biomedical sciences by U.S. News & World Report, and Rice University.

M.D./M.B.A.
Partner Institution: Rice University, which is ranked among the top 25 business schools in the nation by U.S. News & World Report.

M.D./M.P.H.
Partner Institution: The University of Texas School of Public Health, which is ranked among the top 25 schools of public health by U.S. News & World Report.

M.D./J.D.
Partner Institution: University of Houston Law Center, which is ranked among the top 60 law schools by U.S. News & World Report.

I am earning an M.B.A. because I do not know for sure how I am going to practice. If I end up owning my own practice, it will be helpful in managing the business side. If I go with the current trend and practice in a larger organization, it will help me have the flexibility to advance into leadership. Additionally, entrepreneurship has always been a passion of mine and I believe an M.B.A. will give me valuable skills.

ZACHARY WILEY
M.D., M.B.A. STUDENT
IT’S NOT ALL ABOUT THE NUMBERS.

At Baylor, we understand that intelligence and preparation for medical school go beyond GPA and MCAT scores. To us, exceptional students are much more than numbers—they are individuals with many facets that make them special.

Through a holistic review process, every effort is made in each step of the admissions process to assess all characteristics of each applicant, cognitive as well as noncognitive.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT www.bcm.edu/admissions

GRADUATE WITH LESS DEBT

Baylor College of Medicine is the least expensive private medical school in the nation.

In 1969, Baylor and the State of Texas entered into an agreement that allows Baylor to offer legal residents of Texas the same tuition rate as state-supported medical schools. Interviewed applicants claiming Texas as their legal residence are required to complete a Residence Questionnaire.

To help students with the cost of medical education, Baylor offers financial assistance through federal and institutional loan, scholarship and work-study programs. The Office of Student Financial Aid assists students with the application process and determines their eligibility for these programs.

FOR FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE, CALL THE OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL AID AT 713.798.4603.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CLASS ENTERING 2022

- MAY 3: TMDSAS application (primary) can be electronically accessed by prospective applicants
- MAY – NOVEMBER: CASper Online Situational Judgement Test (view test dates)
- JUNE 1: Baylor’s supplemental application opens. No invitation necessary; open to all applicants.
- JUNE – DECEMBER: Applications are holistically reviewed by the Admissions Committee and invitations to interview are extended
- AUGUST – JANUARY: Interviews are conducted
- NOV. 1: Submission Deadline for TMDSAS application (5 p.m. CST)
- NOV. 15: TMDSAS Letters of Evaluation deadline and Baylor supplemental application deadline (5 p.m. CST)
- OCTOBER – MAY: Merit Scholarships awarded to accepted applicants
- JANUARY: Certiﬁpi background checks are sent to all accepted applicants
- FEBRUARY 18: Deadline to rank schools of preference in TMDSAS
- MARCH 4: TMDSAS match results are announced
- APRIL 30: Applicants can hold only one offer of admission
- MAY 15: Last day to make offers of acceptance to alternates holding acceptances at other Texas medical schools
- MID-JULY: Orientation begins for the entering class

GRADUATE WITH LESS DEBT

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PUBLIC MEDICAL SCHOOL  
PRIVATE MEDICAL SCHOOL  
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE CLASS OF 2019

*Source: AAMC Debt, Costs and Loan Repayment Fact Card 2018

TUITION & FEES

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The College sponsors many activities for students that range from formal ceremonies and award programs to social and community service events. The College also has an athletic facility and intramural leagues.

All students are assigned to a squad at the beginning of their first year and they participate in activities, including social and community service opportunities, with their squad throughout their years at Baylor. Squads foster connections between students and contribute to Baylor’s mission of service.

Our location provides many opportunities to pursue outside interests. Right next door to the Texas Medical Center are Hermann Park’s trails, public golf course, the Houston Zoo and outdoor amphitheater. To the west are Rice University and the Rice Village Shopping Center. Directly north are the Museum District’s 18 art organizations, and just five miles further north is downtown.

One tip I got on the application trail is that you not only need to enjoy your school but also its surroundings. Sometimes you need to be able to escape medicine and just enjoy life, and there is definitely always something to do in Houston. Almost all sports, art forms and recreational activities can be found in Houston. Living in Houston has been great!

SONIA GÓMEZ PARRA
M.D./PH.D. STUDENT

I love living in Houston! It is a vibrant and diverse community with an abundance of public parks and delicious restaurants.

JESSICA SHEU
STUDENT

HOUSTON FACTS & FIGURES

1st
IN TOTAL PARK ACREAGE AMONG U.S. CITIES WITH MORE THAN ONE MILLION RESIDENTS

2nd
LARGEST CONCENTRATION OF FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES IN THE COUNTRY

4th
LARGEST CITY IN U.S.: 2.3 MILLION RESIDENTS

14.7%
BELOW THE NATIONWIDE AVERAGE COST OF LIVING.

60
DEGREE GRANTING COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

145
LANGUAGES SPOKEN

500+
INSTITUTIONS DEVOTED TO PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS, HISTORY AND SCIENCE

HOUSTON IS
THE MOST DIVERSE LARGE METROPOLITAN AREA IN THE U.S.

ACTIVITIES AND ATTRACTIONS:

• Professional, collegiate and recreational sports leagues
• Theater, ballet, concerts, opera and museums
• Nightlife options around town
• Shopping galore
• 350 parks; 95 miles of nature, hiking and bike trails and three state parks nearby
• More than 10,000 restaurants representing 70 countries and U.S. regions
• Water recreation within a short drive (Galveston beaches, Clear Lake, Lake Conroe and Lake Livingston)
1900 University of Dallas medical department opened to improve the practice of medicine in North Texas.

1903 The young medical school formed an alliance with Baylor University in Waco and the name changed to Baylor University College of Medicine.

1909 By mutual agreement, the College separated from Baylor University to become one of the few independent medical schools in the U.S. and the name was changed to Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Michael E. DeBakey, widely regarded as the father of modern cardiovascular surgery, became the first president of the College.

1943 The MD Anderson Foundation invited Baylor University College of Medicine to join the newly formed Texas Medical Center. The College opened in Houston July 12, 1943.

1947 The College moved into its present site in the Roy and Lillie Cullen Building, the first building completed in the new Texas Medical Center. The building was designated a Recorded Texas Historical Landmark in 2015.

1949 The Baylor College of Medicine Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences was established.

1969 The Physician Assistant Program began as a certificate program. It was elevated to Bachelor of Science status in 1975 and then Master of Science in 1989.

1972 The Michael E. DeBakey High School for Health Professions, the first high school in the country to specialize in medical professions, opened as a partnership between the Houston Independent School District and Baylor College of Medicine. Today, the Baylor Magnet School Network includes six additional high schools and three middle schools.

1983 The Harris Health certificate program for nurse anesthetists moved under the auspices of the College and became a Master of Science program. This was elevated to a doctoral level program in 2012.

2005 In the wake of the devastation left by Hurricane Katrina, Tulane University School of Medicine temporarily moved to Baylor College of Medicine, allowing all students to complete their academic year on time.

2006 The first Human Genome Project effort at the Baylor College of Medicine Human Genome Sequencing Center was completed, with chromosomes 3, 12, and 30 Mb of X (~10 percent of the genome).

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2011 The Baylor College of Medicine National School of Tropical Medicine was founded. It is one of the first of its kind in North America devoted to the neglected diseases that disproportionately afflict “the bottom billion,” the world’s poorest people who live below the World Bank poverty level.

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2014 Baylor College of Medicine and Catholic Health Initiatives entered a joint venture partnership to co-own the Baylor St. Luke’s Medical Center, formerly St. Luke’s Episcopal Hospital.

2015 The Baylor College of Medicine Dan L. Duncan Center earned Comprehensive Cancer Center designation from the National Cancer Institute.

2018 The Genetics Counseling program welcomed its first students.
THE NEXT STEP

The next step after medical school is residency in a particular specialty. Graduates are placed into their residency programs through a national matching system that pairs the students’ choices of programs with the programs’ choices of students.

Despite the unique circumstances and the prospect of beginning residency in a pandemic, our students rejoiced in the discovery that, like the Baylor students who came before them, they had successfully matched into outstanding programs around the country.

I matched into my No. 1 choice and I was just over the moon.

AISHWARYA VENKATARAMAN,, ALUMNA
RESIDENT IN CHILD NEUROLOGY AT BAYLOR

MATCH DAY 2021

188 GRADUATES MATCHED IN 33 SPECIALTIES

83 MATCHED IN TEXAS, INCLUDING 55 CONTINUING THEIR TRAINING AT BAYLOR

SOME OF THE LOCATIONS AT WHICH OUR GRADUATES MATCHED INCLUDED:

Cleveland Clinic Foundation-OH
Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania-PA
Johns Hopkins Hospital-MD
Madigan Army Medical Center-WA
Massachusetts General Hospital-MA
Mayo Clinic College of Medicine & Science-MN
NYU Grossman School of Medicine-NY
Rhode Island Hospital/Brown University-RI
Stanford University Programs-CA
Tulane University School of Medicine-LA
UCLA Medical Center-CA
University of Colorado School of Medicine-CO
University of Texas Southwestern Medical School-TX
Yale-New Haven Hospital-CT
OUR SCHOOLS

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
Ranked first in Texas and among the top in the country by U.S. News & World Report. Exceptionally diverse clinical affiliates and a collaborative, supportive culture set Baylor apart as a leader among the world’s best medical schools.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
One of the top 25 graduate schools of biomedical sciences in the nation, the School gives medical students interested in research a wide array of choices for short-term projects or in-depth dual degree programs. Baylor ranks 20th in the nation and first in Texas in research funding to medical degree programs. Baylor ranks 20th in the nation and first in Texas in research funding to medical degree programs. Baylor ranks 20th in the nation and first in Texas in research funding to medical degree programs. Baylor ranks 20th in the nation and first in Texas in research funding to medical degree programs. Baylor ranks 20th in the nation and first in Texas in research funding to medical degree programs.

SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
Baylor’s School of Health professions provides four training programs: Doctor of Nursing Practice in Nurse Anesthesia (ranked 2nd in the nation), Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (ranked 3rd in the nation), Master of Science in Orthotics and Prosthetics and Master of Science in Genetic Counseling. Medical students gain valuable interprofessional experience in shared learning opportunities with students in these programs and affiliated programs in Houston.

NATIONAL SCHOOL OF TROPICAL MEDICINE
Baylor is home to one of the few schools in North America devoted to neglected diseases that disproportionately affect the world’s poorest people. Medical students have the opportunity to take classes and conduct research in tropical medicine and the option to pursue a Diploma in Tropical Medicine as a part of the Global Health Pathway.

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Baylor College of Medicine is also accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (a joint committee representing the American Medical Association and the Association of American Medical Colleges). Students may review all accreditation, state approval, and licensure documents upon request.

PUBLIC SAFETY
The Texas Medical Center Police/Security Department provides the medical center campus with security patrol. Baylor College of Medicine’s Security Office is responsible for security within Baylor. In accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Policy and Campus: Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act), Baylor issues an Annual Security Report that reflects campus crime statistics, policies, and safety information. All prospective students, faculty, or staff may view this report online at https://www.bcm.edu/about-us/our-campus/safety-and-security or by contacting a Baylor security administrator at 713.798.3000.

BAYLOR DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION POLICY
Baylor College of Medicine fosters diversity among its students, trainees, faculty and staff as a prerequisite to accomplishing our institutional mission, and setting standards for excellence in training healthcare providers and biomedical scientists, promoting scientific innovation, and providing patient-centered care.

Diversity, respect, and inclusiveness create an environment that is conducive to academic excellence, and strengthens our institution by increasing talent, encouraging creativity, and ensuring a broader perspective.

Diversity helps position Baylor to reduce disparities in health and healthcare access and to better address the needs of the community we serve.

Baylor is committed to recruiting and retaining outstanding students, trainees, faculty and staff from diverse backgrounds by providing a welcoming, supportive learning environment for all members of the Baylor community.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION
Baylor College of Medicine is committed to a safe and supportive learning and working environment for its learners, faculty and staff. College policy prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, age, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, veteran status, disability or genetic information. Harassment based on any of these classifications is a form of discrimination and also violates College policy (02.2.25; 02.2.26) and will not be tolerated. In some circumstances, such discriminatory harassment also may violate federal, state or local law.

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