2022 ONLINE AMCAS APPLICATION REVIEW For students entering Medical School in Fall 2023

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 5:30 PM



## IMPORTANT DATES

Thu Apr 27 AMCAS Application Opens

for Input

Tue May 3 AMCAS Cycle Opens

Tue May 31 AMCAS Applications Opens

for submissions

Mon Aug 1 Early Decision Program

Deadline

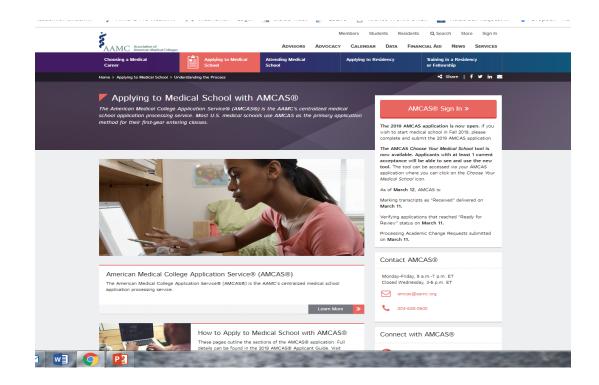
For more information, visit <a href="https://students-residents.aamc.org/premed-calendar">https://students-residents.aamc.org/premed-calendar</a>

## BY NOW...

- Taken or reserved a seat for the MCAT exam
- Reviewed the topic of your personal statement with the Pre-Health Office and met with the Writing Center to begin polishing (Writing Center is only open until TUESDAY, MAY 31)
- Carefully checked <u>all</u> transcripts from <u>all</u> post-secondary courses for any anomalous grades. (See TRANSCIPT page)
- Requested more than the number of recommendation letters. Any pending letters should be received in the Pre-Health office by the first week in June.
- Have current name and contact information (email/phone) for EACH of your 12-15 experiences. (Mrs. Wood-Hill can NOT be listed as a contact.

## ACCESSING THE APPLICATION

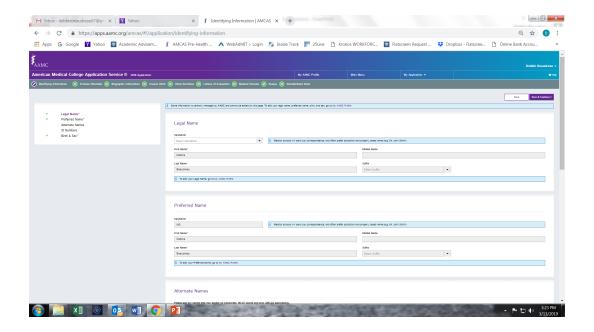
AMCAS WEBSITE: www.aamc.org/amcas



## SECTION 1: IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Is this the name on your YU transcript? Please use the same spelling on that is on your transcript!

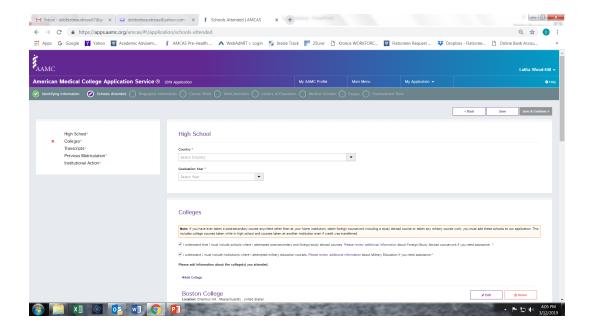
Do not use your social security number as your ID #!



## SECTION 2: SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Dates are important here. Use your YC transcript to confirm the dates you input coincide with the transcript dates. Any discrepancies can cause delays in verification.

NOTE: your time in Israel is NOT study abroad.

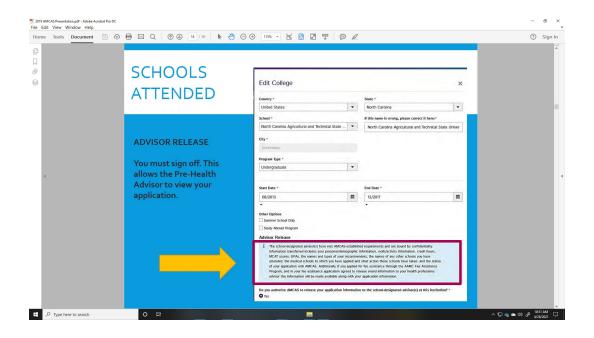


## SECTION 2: SCHOOLS ATTENDED

- Use this section to enter EVERY postsecondary (college) school you attended, including all US and Canadian universities.
- Input the dates exactly as they appear on your transcript.
- If your Israeli credits appear as transfer credit on your transcript, it should be listed as a separate school. (See Israeli credits slide for more information)
- Have a copy of all your <u>official</u> transcripts available to ensure accuracy (except from Israel!)

## ADVISOR RELEASE

Be <u>sure</u> to release your AMCAS application AND your MCAT scores to Mrs. Wood-Hill. We cannot transmit your letters without it.



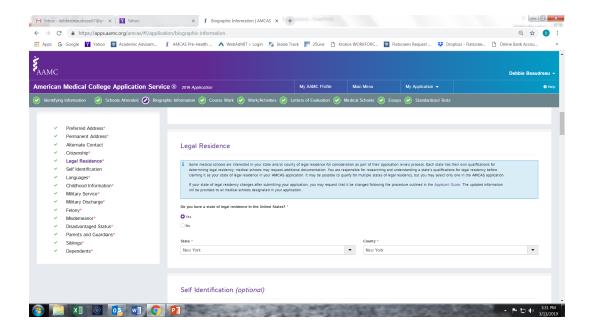
## ADVISOR RELEASE

- YOU MUST SIGN OFF!
- This allows the Pre-Health office to see your application. We have no access without this release.
- IMPORTANT: YOU MUST NOTIFY THE PREHEALTH OFFICE (VIA EMAIL) WHEN YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.

### SECTION 3: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

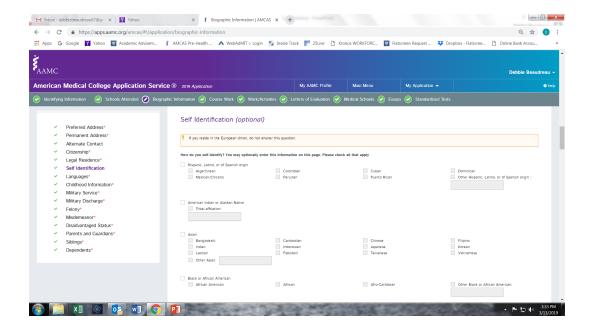
Use this section to enter basic information regarding citizenship, legal residence, languages spoken, ethnicity and race, parents/guardian, siblings, and felony information.

Your legal residence is usually determined by where your parents live!



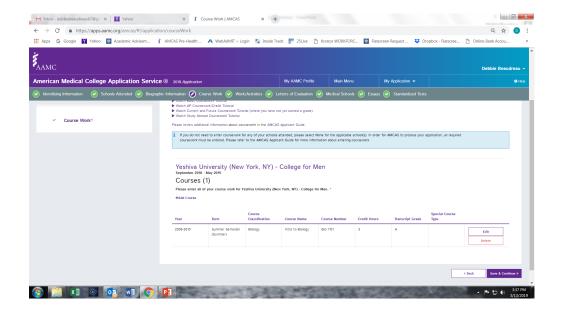
## SELF-IDENTIFICATION

Your choices are white or other, usually. If you have a question, please see Mrs. Wood-Hill.



## SECTION 4: COURSE WORK

Use this section to enter information, grades and credits earned for every course that you have enrolled in at any U.S., U.S. Territorial, or Canadian post-secondary institution.
This includes college credits earned in high school!



### **TRANSCRIPTS**

- Check your transcript NOW for any "incompletes" or other inaccurate grades.
- Transcripts can be ordered now, but you must choose "HOLD FOR SPRING 2022 GRADES"
- Input your science and CORE classes, but NOT morning program classes.
- BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION—
  You must send a copy of the application AND a
  copy of your unofficial transcript for the PreHealth Office to review. We need 48-hours for
  this process. Skip this important step AT YOUR
  PERIL!
- The Pre-Heath Office creates its own nonsubmitted application to help answer your questions

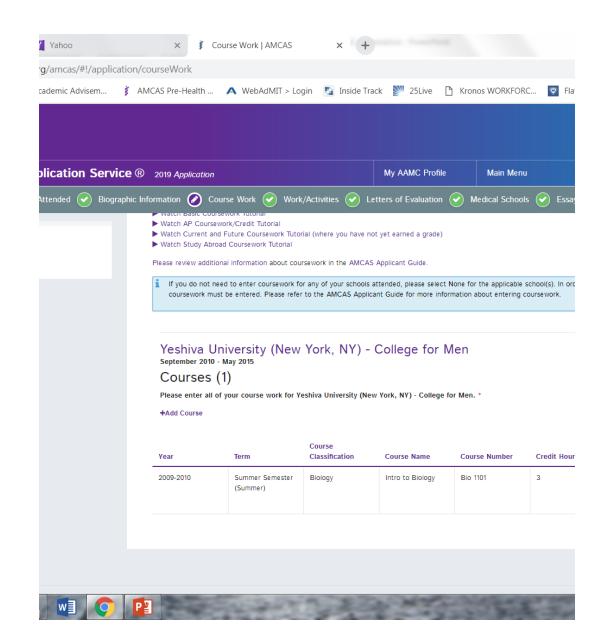
## ORDERING YOUR TRANSCRIPTS

#### Current Students / Recent Alumni:

- Go to <a href="http://insidetrack.yu.edu">http://insidetrack.yu.edu</a>
- Log in using YUAD credentials
- Navigate to the Students menu on the left side of the page
- Select your level of study: Undergraduate,
   Graduate, or Cardozo School of Law
- Select Banner Self-Service
- Select Student and Financial Aid
- Select Clearinghouse Services
- •Click here to connect to the Clearinghouse. (This will open a new browser window. You may need to disable your pop-up blocker on your computer.)
- Follow the on screen instructions
- Order a Transcript

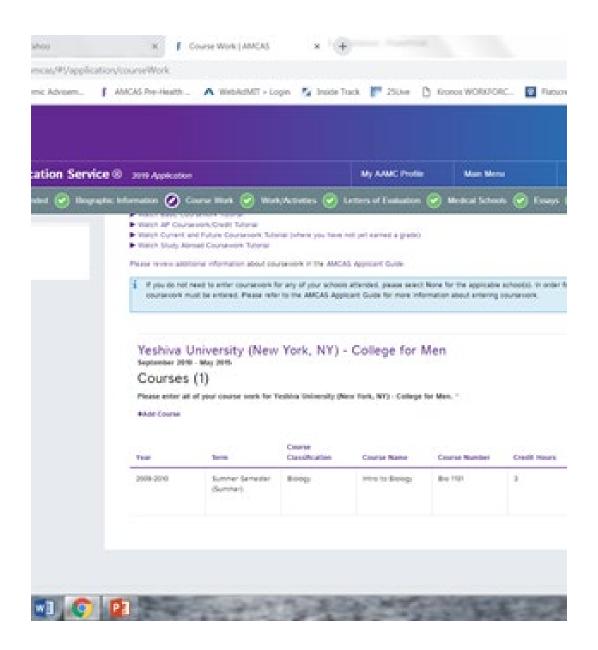
## SECTION 4: COURSE WORK

Schools automatically populate from "schools attended list".



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Use a personal copy of your official transcript to complete this section



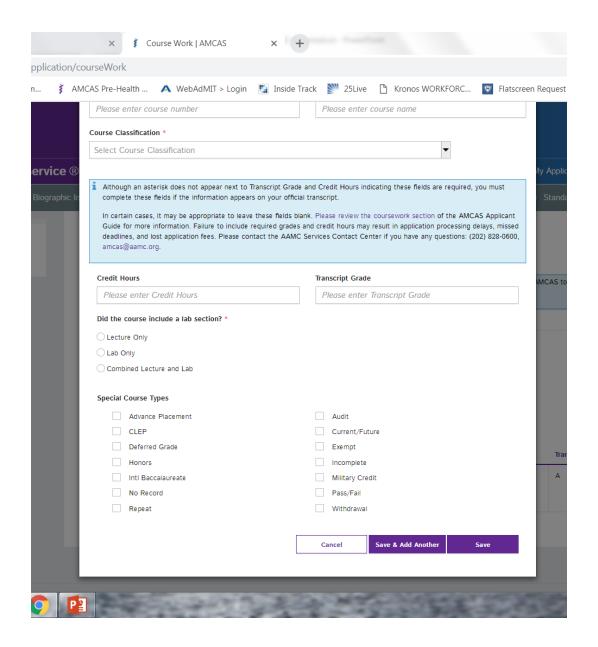
# SPECIAL COURSE TYPE

#### Use this section to indicate:

- Advance Placement
- Pending Grades
- Withdrawals
- Current/Future Coursework

## SPECIAL COURSE TYPE

Use term it was granted as seen on your transcript. If there is a problem, call/email us!! This is where we are most likely to see difficulty so don't stress out.

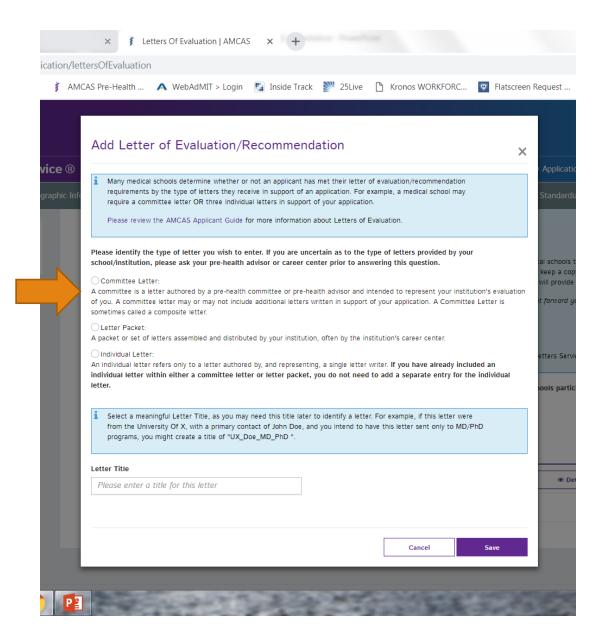


## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- You do NOT have to include a Leave of Absence in your coursework.
- You CAN include it as one of your experiences IF you did something which should be brought to the attention of the Admissions Committee.
- A second year in Israel can be considered a LOA if you wish.

## SECTION 6: LETTERS OF EVALUATION

Select "Committee Letter"



## SELECTING TITLE AND PRIMARY CONTACT

#### Provide a title for your Letter Packet.

#### Suggestions:

MD\_Packet\_your last name\_first nameMD\_PhD\_Packet\_your last name\_first name

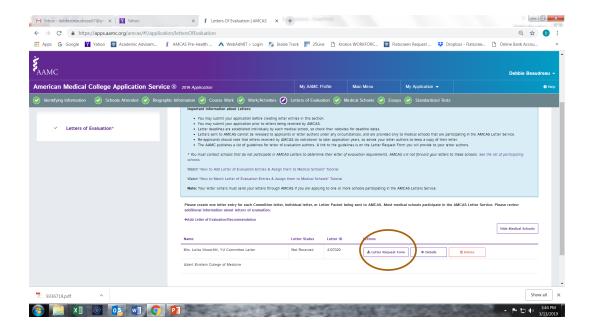
#### **Provide Primary Contact/Author information:**

- Mrs. Lolita Wood-Hill
- woodhill@yu.edu
- 6465924428 (no dashes or dots)
- Organization Name = Yeshiva University
- Address: 500 West 185th Street
- Furst Hall, Room 107A
- New York, NY 10033

DO NOT ADD ADDITIONAL AUTHORS – All letters are included in the packet. If you add additional letters AMCAS will alert medical schools that all of your letters have NOT been received.

Click "Done" or "Continue."

## LETTER OF REQUEST FORM (LRF)



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Print the Letter of Request Form (LRF)

You will be asked whether you want to print the letter of request:

Click "YES"

The Pre-health Office will need the number to include with your Virtual Evaluation packet.

## COMMITTEE LETTER "PACKET"

The "Committee Letter Packet" that the Pre-Health Office transmits to AMCAS (via Virtual Evaluations) contains:

- Mrs. Wood-Hill's Committee Letter
  - We often paraphrase the letters but send each in its entirety to the schools as an attachment to the committee letter.
- Supporting letters of recommendation
- Committee Letter Waiver Form
  - Be sure you have sent the signed pdf form to beaudrea@yu.edu.

Mrs. Wood-Hill's letter is not part of your AMCAS application. Your letter goes separately and won't be needed by med/dent schools until you've had your application verified!

## SECTION 7: MEDICAL SCHOOLS

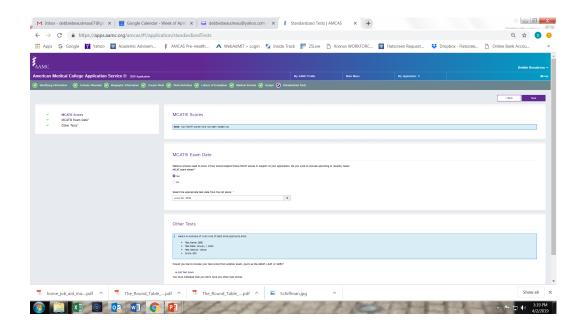
#### Designating Letters to Medical Schools

- Select Medical School from the drop down menu.
- A pre-populated pull-down list of letters entered by the applicant will appear.
- Choose from the list of letters by either selecting all letters or designating them individually. Choose "COMMITTEE LETTER"

## Letters are <u>NOT SENT</u> before submission of the application.

Once application is submitted with letter information it can NOT be edited/deleted.

## Section 8: PERSONAL ESSAY



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This is your PERSONAL STATEMENT

NOTE: You should have already had the Pre-Health Office review the subject of the personal statement.

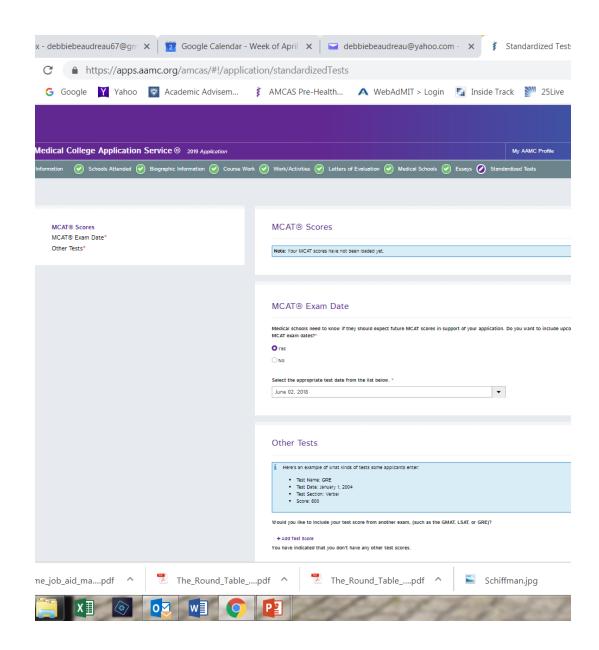
**5,300** characters (including spaces)

Have several people read it for spelling and grammar

Cut and past from MS-Word

Review carefully and DON'T trust spell check. Exclamation marks, question marks and other symbols may not transfer correctly so review carefully!

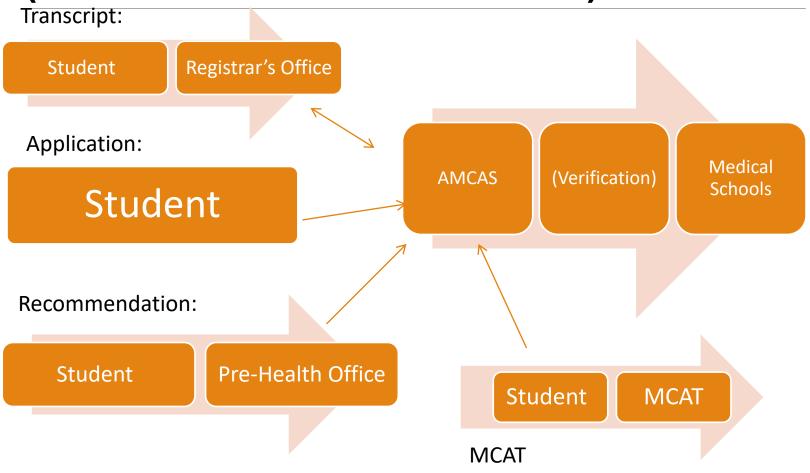
### SECTION 9: STANDARDIZE TEST



## RETAKING THE MCAT

If you are re-taking the MCAT and don't indicate your upcoming testing date, medical schools may review your application without waiting for your new score and reject you!

## AMCAS VERIFICATION PROCESS (APPROXIMATELY 6 WEEKS)



### AMCAS VERIFICATION PROCESS

Processing—from the date of submission, verification can take up to six (6) weeks.

What is verified for each course?

- Academic Status
- Academic Year & Term
- Grades
- Hours
- Course Classification (BCPM vs. All Other)
- Course Type (Honors, Repeat, AP, etc.)

If you mislabel your courses YOU WILL DELAY YOUR APPLICATION VERIFICATION PROCESS

### AMCAS VERIFICATION PROCESS

#### The end result:

Verified AMCAS GPA broken down by science & non-science courses and by academic status

Note that medical schools do not just see your GPA. They receive all of the detailed information that you entered in the coursework section of your application.

### AMCAS VERIFICATION PROCESS

#### MCAT SCORES:

You do NOT have to wait until you receive your MCAT scores before you submit your online application.

Plan so that the scores arrive during the 6-week verification process.

## FINAL TIPS

- Early is good. Error-free is better!
- Emphasize completeness and accuracy over early submission
- Use print option to check your data as final step before submission. Send this version in pdf format to Mrs.
   Wood-Hill BEFORE submitting to AMCAS.
- Have your payment information ready
- Ensure successful submission by checking the Main Menu
- Email verified version to Mrs. Wood-Hill for file!
- Always check your regular and junk email for important messages from AMCAS. RESPOND IN A TIMELY MANNER (2-business days for general email, 10 business days for secondary applications.)
- We can NOT transmit your Committee Letter packet without a FINAL submitted copy of your application.

## WHERE TO FIND HELP

#### BEFORE YOU CONTACT THE PRE-HEALTH OFFICE—

40+ page PowerPoint presentation will be posted online

AMCAS Instructions available online

Pre-Health Office Drop in Hours—TO BE ANNOUNCED

Contact AMCAS @ (202) 828 0600 or amcas@aamc.org

QUESTIONS?

HOURS 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM ET

EXPECT DELAYS AND BE POLITE!