A New School of Thought
University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville
There’s a new kind of medical school in the Upstate of South Carolina, a place where tomorrow’s
doctors are training alongside today’s physicians and other members of the interdisciplinary
healthcare team from Day One. It’s a place where hands-on, real-world experience isn’t a mere
promise for the future, but a way of life. Where students learn to leverage information technology
to accelerate learning and elevate patient care. It’s home to the next generation of physician leaders
connected to patients and the community.

The **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE GREENVILLE** is a four-year medical
school located in the heart of South Carolina’s most comprehensive health system – the Greenville
Health System – and backed by two decades of partnership in providing comprehensive medical
education to students from the state’s largest public university, the University of South Carolina.

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The USC School of Medicine Greenville is the result of a dream that began in the 1960s when leaders of Greenville Health System and the University of South Carolina began a conversation with ‘What if?’ A half century later, we have a new medical school that is hailed as a gift to the Upstate and the people of South Carolina for preparing the next generation of physician leaders.”

Jerry R. Youkey, MD, Dean
University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville
a strong foundation of real-world experience

**MD PROGRAM** The MD program at the USC School of Medicine Greenville is a unique journey into the world of medicine that begins with hands-on emergency medical technician (EMT) training and continues through the exploration of the scientific, clinical, social, and cultural facets of medicine. The curriculum is an integrated blend of interactive experiences from classroom to bedside designed to foster and enhance the acquisition of essential knowledge, communication, diagnostic and problem-solving skills, and lead to application, critical thinking and patient care.

**CLINICAL TEACHING** An essential part of the USC School of Medicine Greenville’s curriculum focuses on clinical teaching in conjunction with Greenville Health System (GHS), which serves as the teaching campus for more than 5,000 students annually in nearly every health care discipline. With 12 residency and fellowship programs, GHS provides experience to medical students in a range of specialties. With more than 1,100 physicians on the system-wide medical staff, GHS’ vast network gives medical students unprecedented access to broad clinical expertise and an array of patients with complex medical and surgical conditions, as well as extensive experience in preventive care and chronic disease management. An exceptional biomedical faculty with national and international experience in academic medicine, research and industry completes our teaching resources.

**RESEARCH** With more than 650 active clinical trials a year, GHS maintains a rich, patient-centered research environment. Students at the USC School of Medicine Greenville have the opportunity to engage in research with clinician scientists and researchers, focusing firsthand on real-world problems encountered in the delivery of health care and studying these issues from the patient’s point of view.
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

Residency and Fellowship Programs in:

- Family Medicine
- General Surgery
- Internal Medicine
- Medicine-Pediatrics
- Obstetrics & Gynecology
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Pediatrics
- Psychiatry

- Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics
- Minimally Invasive Surgery
- Primary Care Sports Medicine
- Vascular Surgery
a groundbreaking approach

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN TRAINING
As a new medical student, you’ll be introduced to the world of medicine and learn relevant patient care skills during your first weeks by participating in an emergency medical technician (EMT) certification course. Plus, you will continue to hone your skills working side-by-side with professionals EMTs, following patients from pick-up in the field to the emergency department to admission to the hospital, discharge and follow-up.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES All students will practice and apply newly obtained knowledge and skills in the 30,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art clinical skills and simulation center, then engage in patient encounters through teaching rounds at GHS’ Greenville Memorial Hospital, adjacent to the medical school building. Students also get hands-on experience in South Carolina’s largest health care system, which includes more than 160 practice sites, 1,268 licensed beds, 1,100 physicians, and nearly 200 medical residents and fellows. As an active member of the health care team, you’ll develop an understanding of the complexities surrounding today’s practice of medicine, from teamwork and patient safety to cultural and psychosocial issues and electronic medical records.

PATIENT-CENTERED RESEARCH Patient experiences will provide the basis for the development and completion of a research project that will span the four-year program. Students work in teams to address needs in health care through educational, translational, and comparative effectiveness research. Throughout the program, students are guided and mentored by recognized researchers.
GREENVILLE HEALTH SYSTEM AT A GLANCE

South Carolina’s largest health care system with five campuses, four acute care hospitals, two specialty hospitals, and eight outpatient facilities.

Deliver more than 5,300 babies annually.

The region’s only 24-hour Children’s Emergency Center with Bryan Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

The only Level I Emergency Trauma Center in Greenville, one of three in the state.

More than 650 active clinical trials annually in areas such as oncology, pediatrics and women’s health.
The center of activity at the USC School of Medicine Greenville is the 90,000-square-foot Health Sciences Education Building, located on the Greenville Memorial Medical Campus. With its sun-filled, three-story atrium and light-infused corridors, this leading-edge facility houses innovative learning spaces, student services, a digital medical library, and common areas for study and social gatherings. Spacious outside patios, an outdoor amphitheater, and a convenient, on-site parking garage complete the facility.

The USC School of Medicine Greenville is among the most “wired” medical schools in the country. Each first-year student receives an iPad loaded with curricular materials. Throughout the campus, students can take advantage of the latest wireless and mobile technology, digital touch screens, electronic resources and media. Flat screens over lab tables enable students and faculty to share their findings and conduct on-line research while they work. Need quiet time? There’s an abundance of small study spaces and a student lounge for relaxing, enjoying meals or catching some television.
When you come to USC School of Medicine Greenville, you’re not only joining the Greenville Health System family, you’re also joining the Greenville community and experiencing the region’s passion for wellness. Here in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, you’re just a short drive from breath-taking hiking and biking trails. And with Charleston and the South Carolina coast just a few hours away, the sun and beach are always within reach.

Closer to home, Greenville’s love of the outdoors is evident in the GHS Swamp Rabbit Trail, a 17-mile walking and biking trail that runs along the Reedy River from the town of Travelers Rest to Downtown Greenville. Sponsored by Greenville Health System, this popular trail provides a safe, well-maintained greenway for recreation. Weekend road races give students a chance to compete outside of class.

**LIFE CENTER®** Medical students receive a membership to GHS’ Life Center Health & Conditioning Club, located within walking distance of the Health Sciences Education Building. The Life Center features a variety of fitness equipment, wellness programs, an indoor pool, an outdoor running track, and organized fitness classes.
assembling the next generation of physicians

Applicants are selected by an admissions committee composed of members of the biomedical science and clinical science faculties of the USC School of Medicine Greenville and Greenville Health System’s Offices of Diversity, Academic Services, and Research. The committee considers all aspects of an applicant with the goal of assembling a class of medical students that exhibits diversity commensurate with the Upstate community. In short, we look for individuals who exhibit exceptional interpersonal and communication skills, integrity, honesty, empathy, a propensity for teamwork, maturity, emotional stability, leadership, a strong work ethic, self-direction, and a passion for becoming a doctor.

In addition to required coursework, we recommend elective study in biochemistry, cell biology and conversational Spanish. For most applicants, a strong preparation in the natural sciences is the best basis for the study and understanding of medical sciences. The admissions committee recommends that applicants complete more than the minimum requirements in the area of natural sciences. However, the committee welcomes applicants with preparation in the humanities and liberal arts who have completed the required coursework.

**REQUIRED COURSEWORK**

**INCLUDES TWO SEMESTERS EACH OF:**

- Biology
- General Inorganic Chemistry
- Organic Chemistry
- Physics
- English Composition/Literature

All science courses should include laboratory work.

*All applicants to the USC School of Medicine Greenville are required to take the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) and submit their application through the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS). Visit [amcas.org](http://amcas.org) for more information.*
Are you ready for a fully integrated medical school experience rooted in the real world of patient care? Join us as we respond to the evolving challenges of today’s health care delivery system and transform the way tomorrow’s physicians are trained. Contact the Office of Admissions to schedule a visit and for more information on the application process, deadlines and financial aid.

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“I didn’t fully understand what it would mean to be a part of a new medical school until I arrived at the USC School of Medicine Greenville. I quickly realized that this school can be whatever the students make it, and I have a great feeling of responsibility and pride in that.”

Maglin Halsey, Class of 2016