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Obstetrics & Gynecology Fellowships

The following fellowships are available for those interested in subspecialization in obstetrics & gynecology:

- Critical Care Medicine
- Complex Family Planning
- Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery
- Gynecologic Oncology
- Hospice & Palliative Medicine
- Maternal-Fetal Medicine
- Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility

Career Counseling

If you are interested in learning more, please feel free to meet with the UIWSOM Career Counselor, Dr. Martin Timoney in A113 in Building 1. Scheduled appointments and walk-ins are both welcome. You can schedule an appointment directly onto Martin's calendar by scanning the QR code below. You can also email him at timoney@uiwtx.edu or call him at 210-619-7074



Data Sources

The information found in this leaflet came from the following sources:

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Residency Fact Sheet 2020/2021



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Residency Basics

Mean COMLEX 1 (2020)	569
Mean USMLE 1 (2020)	229
Preliminary Year	No
Residency Length	4 Years
Number of Programs	285
Percentage of Programs that typically offer interviews to DO students (2020)	53%

Lifestyle Overview

Median Salary	\$324,000
Average Work Hours per week	58
Average Weeks Worked per Year	47

Top 5 Factors Cited for Selecting Programs to Apply to

- Desired geographic location (91%)
- Perceived sense of compatibility with program (84%)
- Reputation of the program (82%)
- Program located at an academic medical center (84%)
- Size of program (67%)

Top 10 Factors for Selecting Candidates for Interview (2020)

1. USMLE Step 1 score (95%)
2. Letters of recommendation in the specialty (88%)
3. USMLE Step 2 CK score (82%)
4. Personal statement (77%)
5. Any failed USMLE attempt (75%)
6. MSPE (71%)
7. Grades in core rotations (70%)
8. (=7) Class ranking/quartile (70%)
9. Grades in clerkship in OB-GYN rotation(s) (68%)
10. Leadership qualities (64%)
11. (=10) Evidence of professionalism & ethics (64%)
12. (=10) Perceived interest in the program (64%)
13. (=10) Passing USMLE Step 2 CS (64%)

Top 10 Factors for Ranking Applicants in the Match (2020)

1. Interactions with house staff during interview (93%)
2. (=1) Interpersonal skills (93%)
3. (=1) Interactions with faculty during interview (93%)
4. (=1) Feedback from current residents (93%)
5. Perceived interest in the program (66%)
6. (=5) Evidence of professionalism and ethics (66%)
7. USMLE 2 CK score (63%)
8. USMLE Step 1 score (59%)
9. Letters of recommendation in the specialty (55%)
10. (=9) Leadership qualities (52%)

Interpreting the Data

- OB-GYN is a reasonably competitive specialty. As such applicants should aim to do as well as possible in board exams.
- USMLE scores are valued by program directors in OB-GYN and DO applicants should consider taking USMLE exams.
- Letters of recommendation are viewed as being very important in this specialty. Applicants should have strong letters from at least two OB-GYNs (Freeman, 2019).
- Applicants should aim to do well in all core rotations and achieve honors grade in their OB-GYN rotation. Applicants interested in this specialty should seek to schedule additional OB-GYN rotations early in fourth year in order to gain more experience and secure letters of recommendation.
- The personal statement is an important aspect of the OB-GYN application. Applicants should seek to convey their passion for their specialty and highlight the role their extracurricular activities had in making them committed to issues relating to women's health.