

Application Service Quick Reference Fact Sheet

	Application Service Name	Association	Number of Schools	Contact Information	Character Limits for Personal Statement
AACOMAS	American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine Application Service	American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine www.aacom.org	34 programs participate in AACOMAS.	301-968-4190 www.aacom.org aacomas@aacom.org	4,500 characters
AACPMAS	American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine Application Service	American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine www.aacpm.org	All 9 schools participate in AACPMAS.	617-612-2900 www.e-aacpmas.org aacpmasinfo@aacpmas.org	4,500 characters
ADEA AADSAS	Associated American Dental Schools Application Service	American Dental Education Association www.adea.org	66 schools participate in AADSAS.	617-612-2045 www.adea.org aadsasinfo@aadsasweb.org	4,500 characters
AMCAS	American Medical College Application Service	Association of American Medical Colleges www.aamc.org	Most schools and programs participate in AMCAS.	202-828-0600 amcas@aamc.org www.aamc.org/amcas	5,300 characters
CASPA	Central Application Service for Physician Assistants	Physician Assistant Education Association www.paeaonline.org	179 programs participate in CASPA.	617-612-2080 www.caspaonline.org caspaonline@caspaonline.org	5,000 characters
NursingCAS	Nursing's Centralized Application Service	American Association of College of Nursing www.aacn.nche.edu	185 schools participate in NursingCAS.	617-612-2880 www.nursingcas.org nursingcasinfo@nursingcas.org	NA
OPTOMCAS	Optometry Centralized Application Service	Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry www.opted.org	21 schools participate in OPTOMCAS.	617-612-2888 www.opted.org optomcasinfo@optomcas.org	4,500 characters
OTCAS	Occupational Therapy Central Application Service	American Occupational Therapy Association www.aota.org	67 OT programs participate in OTCAS.	617-612-2860 otcasinfo@otcas.org www.otcas.org	7,500 characters
PHARMCAS	Pharmacy College Application Service	American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy www.aacp.org/pharmacycareers	111 pharmacy programs participate in PHARMCAS.	617-612-2050 info@pharmcas.org www.pharmcas.org	4,500 characters
PTCAS	Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service	American Physical Therapy Association www.apta.org	176 programs participate in PTCAS.	617-612-2040 ptcasinfo@ptcas.org www.ptcas.org	4,500 characters
SOPHAS	Schools of Public Health Application Service	Association of Schools of Public Health www.asph.org	42 schools participate in SOPHAS.	617-612-2090 (SOPHAS) sophasinfo@sophas.org www.sophas.org	NA
TMDSAS	Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service	Texas Medical and Dental Schools www.utsystem.edu	Most Texas schools participate in TMDSAS. (8 medical, 3 dental and 1 veterinary schools)	512-499-4785 info@tmdsas.com www.tmdsas.com	NA

	Open Date	Submit Date	Deadlines	Letters of Recommendation	Standardized Test Scores	Transcripts
AACOMAS	May	June	December - April	Sent directly to colleges following the processes outlined by each college.	Scores should be sent directly to AACOMAS. Applicants must use MCAT's THx system to release their MCAT scores to their AACOMAS application. Students must provide their 8-digit MCAT number, beginning with 1, on the MCAT section of the AACOMAS.	Send Official Transcripts directly to AACOMAS. Arrange for any updated fall transcripts to arrive at AACOMAS as soon as they are available from the Registrar's Office.
AACPMAS	August	August	April 1 - Priority Deadline June 30 - Final Deadline (Rolling Basis)	Sent directly to college or brought to interviews. See chart in FAQ section at www.aacpmas.org for more details.	MCAT and US DAT scores (no older than 3 years) must be sent directly to AACPMAS. AAMC ID Number or DENTPIN # required.	Send Official Transcripts directly to AACPMAS.
ADEA AADSAS	June	June	Deadlines vary by program.	Up to four individual letters of evaluation or one Committee Report plus one individual letter of evaluation. Most dental schools strongly prefer that letters are submitted to AADSAS as either an online electronic document or as a paper letter that is mailed to AADSAS with a LOE matching form.	Official DAT scores are sent to ADEA AADSAS. Indicate at least one ADEA AADSAS participating schools as one of your score recipient selections to ensure that ADEA AADSAS receives your DAT scores. You are encouraged to indicate every school you would like your scores to be sent to when you register for DAT.	Send Official Transcripts directly to ADEA AADSAS with transcript matching form. Do not send transcripts before the application opens.
AMCAS	May	June	August 1 - Early Dec. Program Regular MD program deadlines August - December	Most medical schools receive letters through AMCAS (5 schools/programs do not participate). Evaluators submit letters electronically directly to AMCAS through the AMCAS Letter Writer Application, VirtualEvals, Interfolio or through U.S. Mail.	MCAT Scores are automatically sent to AMCAS for distribution to applied participating schools once the applicant scores are available.	Send Official Transcripts directly to AMCAS attached to an AMCAS Transcript Request.
CASPA	April	March	Deadlines vary by program.	Three letters of reference submitted electronically to CASPA are required for the application. Check PA program requirements regarding references prior to listing any references on CASPA as they cannot be removed or replaced. Committee letters are not preferred.	Submit official scores electronically to CASPA using PA program-specific CASPA GRE code which differs from the school's regular code. If your PA program does not have a CASPA GRE Code (List - found under FAQ sections) then send scores directly to CASPA using CASPA code. Official TOEFL Scores should be mailed to CASPA.	Send all official transcripts from institutions at which you earned college level credit by mail to CASPA.
NursingCAS	August	June	Deadlines vary by program.	Up to six references may be submitted through the Evaluator Portal. References may be attached to a specific designation in order for the schools to access it.	You can self-report to NursingCAS. Send official test scores directly to programs.	Official transcripts should be sent to NursingCAS.
OPTOMCAS	July	July	Deadlines vary by school and range from December - May.	Recommendation letters must be sent directly to OptomCAS by the evaluator, electronically.	Official OAT scores must be sent to optometry schools and colleges when the exam is taken. Applicants are asked to self-report OAT scores on the OptomCAS application.	Send official transcripts directly to OptomCAS by the school or college's deadline.
OTCAS	July	July	Deadlines vary by program.	References should come directly from the evaluator to OTCAS electronically.	If required by program, GRE and TOEFL test scores must be entered on the OTCAS application. Any other scores should be sent directly to the program.	Send official transcripts directly to OTCAS.
PHARMCAS	July	July	November - March	Send up to four references to PharmCAS which will disseminate to colleges. Letters must be sent directly to PharmCAS by the evaluator electronically, or hardcopy to the program, if required.	Send PCAT, TOEFL, & TSE scores to PharmCas, if required. (PCAT not required by all pharmacy schools.)	Send official U.S. transcripts to PharmCAS. Policies for Int'l transcripts vary.
PTCAS	July	May	Regular program deadlines range from October - May.	All references must be submitted electronically via PTCAS. DPT programs can still choose to accept paper references directly from applicants, if needed. Program-specific reference requirements are available on the PTCAS website.	The majority of DPT education programs require the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) for admission. Applicants must use the correct GRE code for each designated program.	Transcripts should be sent to PTCAS with a transcript matching form. PTCAS will not verify or forward your application until all official transcripts are received.
SOPHAS	Sept	August	Deadlines vary by program.	Recommendation letters must be sent directly to SOPHAS electronically.	MCAT, TOEFL, IELTS and PCAT test scores can be sent directly to SOPHAS; other test scores should be sent directly to the program.	Official transcripts should be sent to SOPHAS.
TMDSAS	1-May	June	Deadlines vary by program.	Recommendation letters accompanied by TMDSAS evaluation forms must be sent to TMDSAS. Applicants are also required to submit one Health Professions Committee Packet or two individual letters of recommendation from Interfolio or Virtual Evals. One vet letter must be from a veterinarian.	All MCAT scores MUST be reported directly to TMDSAS by AAMC. All DAT scores must be released to each of the dental schools they are applying with. GRE scores must be submitted directly to Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine using the institution code #6812.	Send most recent, official transcripts to TMDSAS.