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So, you want to be a surgeon? Here’s how we can help.

JOIN THE MORE THAN 3,000 MEDICAL STUDENT MEMBERS across the country who have turned to the American College of Surgeons (ACS) to learn more about how to prepare for a career in surgery.

As a Medical Student Member, you will receive access to a wide variety of benefits to enhance your professional experience and assist you on your path to becoming a surgeon.
Educational resources to guide your career in surgery

**Medical Student Program at the ACS Clinical Congress.** All medical students are invited to participate in this program designed specifically for those considering a career in surgery. Students are welcome to attend all or selected portions of this three-day program as well as other activities at the ACS Clinical Congress.

**A Medical Student’s Online Guide to Choosing a Surgical Residency and So You Want to Be a Surgeon.** These web pages provide comprehensive information for medical students considering a career in surgery.

**ACS/ASE Medical Student Simulation-Based Surgical Skills Curriculum.** This online curriculum offers medical students structured, uniform, and consistent learning experiences related to the essential clinical skills needed by all physicians.

**ACS/ASE Medical Student Core Curriculum.** These online modules address competency-based surgical cognitive skills needed by all medical students prior to graduation.

**ACS/APDS/ASE Resident Curriculum.** These modules help prepare graduating medical students to step into their new roles as surgery residents.

**Successfully Navigating the First Year of Residency: Essentials for Medical Students and PGY-1 Residents.** This two-part publication addresses the essential areas of knowledge and skills that medical students should possess before beginning surgical residency training.

**Medical Student Podcast Series.** This podcast series is designed to improve future experiences for medical students who enter the surgical field and provides guidance on common topics related to research, interviews, matching, and more.

**E-Learning Resource Center.** Browse the College’s many online educational resources all in one place at facs.org.

**TEAM.** The Trauma Evaluation and Management® (TEAM) course provides an introduction to the evaluation and management of trauma for medical students during their clinical years.
Opportunities for engagement

Join your local ACS Chapter. Chapters work in conjunction with the College to provide outstanding local networking and educational opportunities, along with professional development resources through chapter meetings.

Access the ACS Communities. The medical student online community is led by a team of medical student administrators and allows students to discuss the issues that matter most to them. Students can connect, engage, and share information in real time, ask advice, share experiences, exchange resources, and build professional relationships.

Stop the Bleed®. Promote or participate in the Stop the Bleed program.

Volunteer with Operation Giving Back. Consider participating in a domestic or international surgical volunteer opportunity.

Network with surgeon leaders. The annual Clinical Congress, Leadership & Advocacy Summit, Quality and Safety Conference, and ACS Chapter meetings offer Medical Student Members the opportunity to build strong professional relationships with College leaders and colleagues.

“...I firmly believe one’s professional and personal lives are shaped more by the people we meet and know and work with, and less by one’s individual accomplishments and accolades.

The American College of Surgeons has introduced me to members of a community who have great faith and trust in aspiring surgeons, and who are personally invested in our education and success. The dialogue among students with similar passions, drive, and even grievances has made everything from elective rotations to interviews more enjoyable than I could have anticipated.”

—Fatima Elgammal, St. George’s University School of Medicine, Wayne, NJ
Publications and news

Stay up to date on current research and news from the College and surgical community through online access to multiple ACS publications.

**JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS**
A monthly peer-reviewed journal publishing original contributions on all aspects of surgery.

**BULLETIN OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS**
The monthly member magazine featuring news, information, and events from the College.

**ACS MEDICAL STUDENT NEWS**
The ACS Medical Student News quarterly e-newsletter will keep you informed on important opportunities and medical student initiatives throughout the College.

**ACS CASE REVIEWS IN SURGERY**
This case-studies journal covers an extensive array of specialties and offers medical students the opportunity to get published.

**ACS NEWSSCOPE**
A weekly e-newsletter distributed by the College.
Discount programs you can use

Take advantage of exclusive members-only discounts on insurance, car rentals, travel packages, banking, and more!

Become a member and realize the potential of your profession

For just $20, you can enjoy all the benefits of membership throughout your medical student years!

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY:
Verification of enrollment in an accredited allopathic or osteopathic medical school in the U.S., Canada, or an international country (a verification template is available online for your convenience).

TO APPLY, VISIT
facs.org/member-services/join/medical-student

Encourage your fellow medical students and future surgeons to join with you!
For additional information, e-mail us at ms@facs.org or visit facs.org.

Stay connected to the ACS.

• MEDICAL STUDENT MEMBERSHIP IS 3,000 STRONG
• PODCASTS AND HANGOUT DISCUSSIONS PREPARE YOU FOR A SURGICAL CAREER
• THE MEDICAL STUDENT NEWSLETTER INCLUDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGEMENT
The College offers opportunities for leadership positions at a national level. As the ACS continues to expand Medical Student membership and the Medical Student Program at Clinical Congress, I highly recommend anyone interested in surgery consider joining.

— Brad Chernock, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School, Springfield, NJ

“I like being able to interact with students from all over the country who share the same interest in surgery. Membership also allowed me to take on a leadership role in the College and get to know other surgeons around the country. Being a Medical Student Member is an invaluable networking tool.”

— Anthony J. Naquin, Louisiana State University School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA
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