

UCSF Resident Eligibility Policy

As per ACGME Institutional Requirements and requirements of the California Medical Board, an applicant for residency training at UCSF must be a medical school graduate, via one of the following pathways:

1. LCME Medical School - Graduate of medical school in the U.S. and Canada which has been accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA).
2. International Medical School - if the applicant is a graduate of an international medical school,
 - a. The applicant must have a currently valid ECFMG certificate or
 - b. The applicant must have a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a U.S. licensing jurisdiction.
3. Fifth Pathway - Graduate of an international medical school who has completed a Fifth Pathway program provided by an LCME-accredited medical school.

In selecting from among qualified applicants, programs participate in an organized matching program, where available, such as the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP). When programs do not fill through the match, residents may subsequently be appointed to unfilled positions from the pool of unmatched students, or other sources, as long as they meet institutional standards.

The non-citizen resident must have permanent resident status, J-1 visa, or approved H-1B visa for medical residency position at UCSF School of Medicine. **Note: Department Policies regarding H1-B visas may be different than institutional policy.**

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