

# University of Hawai‘i Internal Medicine Residency Program

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## Frequently Asked Questions

*Thank you for your interest in the University of Hawaii Internal Medicine Residency Program. Each application is evaluated on a case-by-case basis.*

1. ***How many Level 1 positions do you offer?***  
UHIMRP offers **17 Categorical** residency positions and **6 Preliminary** positions.
2. ***What is your minimum score requirement for USMLE Step 1, Step 2CK and Step 2CS? Should I take Step 3 as well?***  
Your application will be considered if you passed Step 1 & 2 and Step 2CS (as applicable) on your first attempt. A non-averaged score above 200 is required. Step 3 is not required to apply to program.
3. ***With my attached information do I meet UHIMRP's acceptance criteria?***  
We cannot disclose specific acceptance criteria. Each applicant's file is reviewed by one of our Recruitment and Selection Committee members, all documents are taken into consideration and decisions are contingent upon agreement in the committee.
4. ***Do you accept International Medical Graduates (IMG)?***  
Yes! We value and encourage diversity in our program. IMG's make up approximately 1/3 of our resident population.
5. ***Do you sponsor H-1 visas?***  
No. **Only** J-1 visas will be sponsored. There are no exceptions to this policy.
6. ***Do you have a Medical School graduation year requirement?***  
No. However, your recent clinical training and employment experiences will be evaluated carefully.
7. ***Do you require clinical experience in the United States? If so, how recent should this be?***  
Clinical experience and training in a U.S. system is not required but can help our selections committee evaluate your application appropriately against known benchmarks.
8. ***Do I need to pass the ECFMG Clinical Skills Assessment (CSA) or the new Step 2 CS to be considered by your Program and is there a pass rate?***  
Yes, IMG applicants are **required** to be ECFMG certified prior to applying to our program. You will need to pass the ECFMG CSA or Step 2 CS exam on your first attempt.
9. ***Is there a pass rate on the English Test?***  
The Program requires that you pass your English Test (Toefel) on your first attempt.
10. ***Do you offer observerships or externships (subinternships)?***  
We do **NOT** offer "**subinternships**". We have on occasion invited qualified applicants for an observership