

## OHSU Department of Neurological Surgery residency application process

The OHSU Department of Neurological Surgery welcomes you to apply for a categorical position through the AAMC's Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS). **No paper applications will be accepted.**

- Only complete applications submitted through the [ERAS \(www.aamc.org/students/eras\)](http://www.aamc.org/students/eras) system by November 1, 2011 will be reviewed for academic year 2012-13. Please contact your dean's office for further information on the electronic application process. Or go to the [Society of Neurological Surgeon's \(www.societyofneurologysurgeons.org\)](http://www.societyofneurologysurgeons.org) web site for Match information.
- The OHSU neurological surgery interview committee will review applications and determine which applicants will be selected for an interview.
- If selected for an interview with us, you will be contacted via email.
- Arrangements will then be made for you to visit OHSU for interviews, talk with current residents and tour the OHSU campus.

Interviews for the 2012-13 Match will occur on one of the following three sessions:

1. November 11, 2011 (Friday)      Neurological surgery residency program overview & dinner  
November 12, 2011 (Saturday)      Interview day
2. December 16, 2011 (Friday)      Neurological surgery residency program overview & dinner  
December 17, 2011 (Saturday)      Interview day
3. January 11, 2012 (Wednesday)      Interview Day and Neurological surgery residency program  
overview & dinner

A completed application consists of these elements:

1. ERAS application
2. Personal statement
3. Dean's letter
4. Medical school transcript



5. At least **three** letters of recommendation, with at least **two** from neurosurgeons (a maximum of five letters of recommendation).
6. Official USMLE scores (*a score of **200 or more** is required to be considered*). If you have had previous postgraduate training, send letters of recommendation from the program director(s) of your first postgraduate year and any subsequent residency training.

Foreign medical graduate applicants **must** provide these items:

- A valid ECFMG certificate by June of the year for which you are applying
- Results of USMLE, national board examinations, or flex scores. No American experience is required, but you must score at least **200** on USMLE Part 1 to be considered for an interview.

It is not necessary to provide a return postcard or call us to check the status of your application: the ERAS system will notify you as we download your information into our files. Please call for information only if necessary.

If you need basic information about the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) or the National Residency Matching Program (NRMP), you may contact the offices listed below.

Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates  
3624 Market Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19104-2685  
(215)662-1445  
[www.ecfm.org](http://www.ecfm.org)

National Residency Matching Program  
2450 N Street NW, Suite 201  
Washington, DC 20037-1141  
(202)826-0566  
[www.nrmp.org](http://www.nrmp.org)

For further information please contact the OHSU Neurological Surgery Education Coordinator, Heidi Waldo, at [waldoh@ohsu.edu](mailto:waldoh@ohsu.edu) or call 503.494.6207.