

## Frequently Asked Questions for the class of 2019

Is there a submit button?

Yes, it is on the bottom of the Application Form. You must hit this button to complete your application, though your application still does not deliver to programs until after the September 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

What is the best strategy to fill my months?

There is no best strategy, however there are some general guidelines that help.

- Don't bunch up your requests. So if you have 3 top programs don't pick June, July, and August for all three programs. Spread out your requests with each in a different month. You don't want to get in a situation where you have to choose one of your top programs and turn down the others.
- Have back up programs. Not everyone will get into the most sought after programs. Apply to 1-2 back up programs for each month you need to fill.
- Don't panic if nothing happens in round 1. There are 3 rounds. You can add new programs between each round. Relax. The stats show everyone fills by the end of rounds.
- Don't apply to programs you don't qualify for. Directors don't like wasting their time reviewing an application for someone who doesn't meet the GPA or class rank requirements.

What if I turn down an offer can I re-apply next round?

If you turn down an offer from a program any other months you applied for will open back up for the program to potentially offer one of those. You are allowed 3 preference months per program, with a fourth opening up after round 1. 4 is the maximum number of months you can apply to a single program.

What are the designation limits again?

Going into round 1, you can designate a maximum of 4 programs per month.

Going into round 2, you can designate a maximum of 8 programs per month with all designations from previous rounds counting towards the maximum regardless of status.

Going into round 3, you can designate a maximum of 12 programs per month with all designations from previous rounds counting towards the maximum regardless of status.

After round 3 you designate unlimited programs, though 99% of you will have filled all months by this time.

What are the designation statuses?

There are 5 statuses:

- REQUESTED: You have designated a program and they either have or will (requests before 9/1) receive your application. This status will remain if the program does not act to offer or decline your application. AACPM can't force programs to act on your application.
- OFFERED: You have received an offer from the program for that month. You have until the end of the round to act on that offer or it will automatically decline.
- Program Declined: Your request has been declined by the program either because they are full, they outright declined your application, or they have offered you one of your other months.
- You declined: You either filled that month or declined an offer from the program.
- CONFIRMED: You are confirmed for a rotation for that month with that program. All other requests or offers for that month will revert to "You declined".

Can I rearrange or change my designations?

No, not after the 9/1 deadline. All designations made after that deadline deliver immediately and are final.

Do my designations reset?

No, all designations carry through rounds.

Will we receive offers from program during rounds?

No, all offers for a particular round go out when the round opens, offers for the next round of ranked applicants go out in the next round if the program does not fill.