



University of Pittsburgh

*School of Medicine
Office of Admissions*

518 Scaife Hall
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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15261
412-648-9891
TeleFax Number: 412-648-8768

November 3, 1998

Mr. Jojo Chokalingam


Monday Jan 11
8:45

Dear Mr. Chokalingam:

We have received your application from AMCAS and are delighted that you have chosen to apply to our medical school. My personal assessment of your credentials is that they are excellent. In order to be invited for an interview, most students must have their credentials screened by a subgroup of Admission Committee members. However, they have given me discretion to invite for interview outstanding applicants prior to such screening. In my judgement, you are such a person.

Interviews are offered on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. The typical day begins at 8:45 a.m. and concludes by 5:00 p.m. Once you have scheduled your interview, it cannot be changed. During your visit you will have an opportunity to tour the Medical Center facilities, have lunch with third year students, obtain information on financial aid, as well as interview with a faculty member and a medical student. Please call the Admissions Office at (412) 648-9891 to schedule your interview. If you are an applicant to the M.D./Ph.D. program, please inform us when scheduling your interview.

I earnestly hope you will accept our interview offer. It is my firm intention to meet you during your stay in Pittsburgh.

Yours truly,



Edward I. Curtiss, M.D.
Associate Dean of Admissions
Professor of Medicine

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Welcome Jojo Chokalingam to the
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Monday, January 11, 1999

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| 9:00 - 9:30 | Administrative Greeting |
| 9:30 - 10:30 | Tour of Our Facilities hosted by Chelsea Burke
Office of Admissions |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | Curriculum Discussion led by Rich Levitt
Coordinator of Academic Development
Office of Medical Education |
| 11:00 - 12:00 | Luncheon at Presbyterian University Hospital hosted by a Third Year
Medical Student |
| 12:00 - 1:00 | Student Interview conducted by a First or Second Year Medical Student
Address: 518 Scaife Hall |
| 1:00 - 2:00 | Faculty Interview conducted by Dr. Ellen Frank
Address: 823 Bellefield Towers
Psychiatry |
| 2:30 - 3:00 | Meeting with Paula Davis
Assistant Dean Student Affairs and Director of Minority Programs
Address: M247 Scaife Hall |
| 3:15 - 3:30 | Meeting with Edward Curtiss, M.D.
Associate Dean of Admissions
Address: 518 Scaife Hall |
| 3:15 - 3:45 | Optional Financial Aid Presentation
Address: 524 Scaife Hall |

Please return to 518 Scaife Hall after your interviews to fill out a short evaluation.

We hope you enjoy your day at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine!

INTERVIEW DAY EVALUATION

We are pleased that you have chosen to interview at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. We take great pride in insuring that your interview day is relaxed, informative and enjoyable. Please take a few minutes and let us know how we did. Your feedback will be used to help the Admissions Office evaluate the interview process. All information is kept strictly confidential and in no way affects your application.

1. Were you satisfied with the timeliness of your invitation, the scheduling of your interview, and the receipt of your confirmation and directions?

Yes. The stuff I got was very informative

2. Please comment on the welcome/greeting and your initial impression of the medical school.

It was really nice to get breakfast

3. Did the tour of the facilities meet your expectations? Please comment on the tour in comparison to other medical school facilities you have seen.

Yes, it was very impressive

4. Was the curriculum discussion helpful? Yes No Please comment.

I learned about problem based learning

5. Did you participate in the Student Host Program? If so, please comment on your stay with a medical student.

No

6. Please tell us about your student interview. Try to include the length of the interview, your overall impression of the student, comfort level, etc. in your discussion.

PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE


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Hosting Program

Dear Interviewee,

The following is a list of names of first and second year students who have volunteered to be hosts. Please try and contact your host as soon as you have confirmed your interview date (we suggest at least two weeks before your interview). We ask that you only request hosting for one night. If you need to stay multiple nights, you may try finding a different host for each night.

Please be aware that the first year students have exams on 9/22, 10/9, 10/20, 11/9, 11/18, and 11/21. Second year exams are scheduled for 9/14, 10/5, 10/23, 10/28, 11/19, 12/21, 1/8, and 2/1. Try to avoid requesting a first or second year the night before his or her respective exams!

If you would like more information about lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgendered hosting, you can contact 

The hosting committee is here to help you if you have trouble finding a host. However, we do ask that you try to contact at least two students before requesting the committee's help. Due to the large number of requests for housing we receive, we may not be able to accommodate everyone.

Once you know the name of the student with whom you will be staying, please e-mail your information to Jodi Dektor at jbdst16+@pitt.edu. We hope that you enjoy your visit to Pitt Med - good luck!

Sincerely,

Jodi Dektor, MSII
Jeff Eck, MSII
Randall Harada, MSII
Carolyn Harding, MSII
David Ishizawar, MSII
Jennifer Shaulis, MSII
Shavonne Ramsey, MSI

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Passenger(s): CHOKALINGAM/VIJAY

Itinerary:	Date	Flt	Originating City	Arrival city	Stops	Dept.	Arrv.
Sunday	10JAN	418	CHICAGO/MDWY	PITTSBURGH	0	4:00pm	6:15pm
Monday	11JAN	821	PITTSBURGH	CHICAGO/MDWY	0	6:50pm	7:10pm

Total for 01 passenger(s) FARE: 72.22
TAXES: 9.78
PFC: 3.00

Total: \$85.00

Payment(s): 22 DEC 98 Visa: \$85.00-
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The "Y" or Executive Fare class is fully refundable. If you change the day of travel, you may be subject to any applicable fare increase. If you cancel, a refund must be requested at time of cancellation. You will NOT receive a refund on any portion of the "Y" fare purchased with the application of a non-refundable fare credit.

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JAN 10	TAXES			3.99
JAN 10	TAXES			3.99
JAN 11	CHECKED-OUT			64.98
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