

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine Graduate Programs – Admissions Information for the ONLINE Certificate in the History of Medicine

Program Admissions Details:

The Department of the History of Medicine offers a suite of graduate-level online courses. Students may take up to 4 individual courses or pursue a Certificate or MA Degree in the History of Medicine. These instructions are for the Online Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (PBC) program in HOM. The cost of the program is \$1,162 per credit. The 18 credit Online Certificate program in HOM costs \$20,916 to complete.

The open application periods are described on the application website. In the time before the application is open, applicants may log in and begin their applications. The application can only be submitted in the period when the application is open.

The [Introduction to the History of Medicine course](#) is a prerequisite for this Online Program in the History of Medicine. This course must be completed **before** prospective students can apply to this degree program.

Academic History:

Applicants will need to list all colleges and universities they attended, and upload an unofficial transcript from each school attended. If the applicant completed their degree more than ten years before the date of application, they may summarize their academic experience (degree earned, school attended, field(s) of the major)) and upload this in lieu of a transcript in the place where the application requests a transcript upload.

Admissions requirements:

- Applicants are **not** required to take the GRE for this program.
- Applicants must submit a one page personal statement indicating the basis of their interest in graduate study and their career objectives. Applicants will also be asked to summarize their experience in the *Introduction to the History of Medicine* course in a short paragraph
- A writing sample from applicants is optional. A writing sample could be a short paper, publication, blog post, or assignment. If uploaded, samples should be uploaded as PDFs.
- The application asks about competency in foreign languages.

International Students:

- International students whose native language is not English are required to complete the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS). When taking the exam, applicants should request official scores be reported to Institution Code 5316 (the Department Code is not necessary). To report official IELTS test scores, please include the Test Report Form (TRF) verification number on the application. Scores must be received before the application deadline.
- The TOEFL/IELTS requirement will be waived if the applicant has completed their degree in a U.S. institution, or is currently enrolled and will receive a degree from a university within the U.S. prior to matriculation at JHU-SOM.
- All documents uploaded to the Admissions application must be in English. The approved transcript service for use by international students is [WES](#).
- International students are not eligible for waivers of the Admissions Application fees.

Getting to know you:

- Parts of the Admissions application collect information for mandatory reporting. These parts may ask applicants to select a pre-set category for gender, race or ethnicity. Other sections of the application allow applicants to share more details about how they choose to describe themselves.
- Application Fee waivers may be given to applicants based on family income (U.S. citizens only). The term *family* is determined by your definition. Families may involve adoptions, separations, and many other variations.

Admissions fees:

- An admissions fee of \$115 dollars is required and must be submitted using a credit card
- For a complete description of the fee waiver process, please see the [Application Fees and Fee Waiver Instructions](#) on the Admissions website. Fee waivers are only available for U.S. citizens.

Application status website:

- Once their application is submitted, applicant may follow its progress on the Application Status page. This page can be accessed upon completion of the application. The status page has the most current information.

Admission timeline:

- Review of applications will begin promptly after the application deadline.
- Letters describing acceptance, wait list status, or rejection will be sent by email. This information will also be available on the Application status website.
- If you have any questions or concerns about the status of your application, please contact ihomonline@jhmi.edu

Applicant survey:

- After admissions decisions are complete, Applicants will receive a survey where they can provide feedback about their experience with the Admissions process. The survey will also ask questions about disability status of applicants.

Upon acceptance:

- Accepted students will undergo a criminal background check.
- Accepted students must submit official transcripts to the School of Medicine Registrar. This may be in the form of a digital transcript, which is submitted through a transcript service approved by the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine Registrar. The approved transcript service for international students is [WES](#). Transcripts may also be mailed directly from the Accepted student's school to the School of Medicine Registrar. Detailed instructions will be provided upon acceptance.

Communicating with the program:

- HOM Program contact: ihomonline@jhmi.edu

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- General questions: GradAdmissions@jhmi.edu
- For more info, please see the HOM Program website:
<http://www.hopkinshistoryofmedicine.org/content/ma-degree>
Admissions information is here: <http://www.hopkinshistoryofmedicine.org/content/apply-certificate-or-ma-history-medicine>