



University of Puerto Rico, Medical Sciences Campus  
School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry  
General Psychiatry Residency Program



Webpage: [www.md.rcm.upr.edu/psychiatry](http://www.md.rcm.upr.edu/psychiatry)

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS TO ERAS APPLICATION  
Academic Year 2020-2021\*

*The Department of Psychiatry accepts applications of Graduates from:  
LCME ACCREDITED SCHOOLS OF MEDICINE*

1. Personal Statement in Spanish (in addition to English version). Please send the Personal Statement in Spanish to [psychiatrycoordinator.rcm@upr.edu](mailto:psychiatrycoordinator.rcm@upr.edu)
2. Two **official** Transcripts (with your cumulative average grade point-GPA) from Undergraduate and Medical School.
3. **Official** copy of your Diploma of Medical School. \*\*
4. It is highly recommended that among the three letters of recommendation, at least one should be from a clinical rotation supervisor. (a) Candidates, who graduated more than one year prior to the application, must submit a letter of recommendation from most recent employment/clinical work experiences supervisor(s).
5. Compliance with the UPR-School of Medicine Graduate Medical Education Office requirements. <http://md.rcm.upr.edu/gme/gme-requirements/>
6. **Official** evidence of having approved USMLE Part I and USMLE Part II CK of the USMLE. (a) The Candidate must have approved the USMLE-Step II CK and CS no later than two weeks before the NRMP ranking deadline (**February 26, 2020**). (b) The Candidate must not have taken any of the USMLE Parts more than three (3) times to be considered eligible for interview. The same policy applies to continue to be a Resident in the Program.
7. Provisional or permanent License to practice Medicine in Puerto Rico. \*\*
8. **Official** Evidence of the Registration for the National Residency Matching Program (NRMP). Please send the evidence to [psychiatrycoordinator.rcm@upr.edu](mailto:psychiatrycoordinator.rcm@upr.edu)
9. Fully bilingual Spanish/English (Fluency in speaking, reading, comprehension and writing in both languages).
10. **Official** approval of the USMLE 3 is an Institutional and Program requirement in order to start the PGY II level of training. It must be approved not later than May 31 of the PGY I. Residents who fail the exam **must apply and re-take the exam** within 60 days. If there is no space available to take it in PR, it is the responsibility of the Resident to take it in other site with space available. **Official** evidence that he/she has applied must be presented to Program Director. The USMLE 3, as well as **ALL USMLE PARTS (Step 1, Step 2-CS, Step 2-CK, and Step 3)**, can be taken a maximum of three (3) times, **including all attempts** before the start of the Residency Program. **Upon failure in the third attempt, the Resident will receive an automatic academic dismissal.**
11. **PGY II level candidates** applying in Psychiatry must also include: (a) a letter of recommendation written in English from the Training Director of the Program stating the clinical rotations and exact dates of each clinical rotation completed during the PGY I training level; (b) official evidence of having approved **ALL USMLE PARTS (Step 1, Step 2-CS, Step 2-CK, and Step 3)**. Each part of the USMLE can be taken **a maximum of three (3) times, including all attempts** before the start of the Residency Program.

Transcripts should be sent to:

Luz N. Colón-de Martí, MD  
Program Director  
Department of Psychiatry  
UPR - School of Medicine  
Medical Sciences Campus  
PO Box 365067  
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-5067

**DEADLINE: JANUARY 9, 2020**

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**\*\*It is a requirement that candidates accepted must submit these documents prior to signing contracts. No candidates will be allowed to start residency training without completion of these documents and compliance with UPR-SOM GME office requirements.**



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***The Department of Psychiatry accepts applications of Graduates from International Medical Schools (Recognized by the Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examination and as listed by the World Health Organization):***

1. If Candidate is not a USA Citizen, he/she must have J-1 or H-1B Visa permit.
2. Personal Statement in Spanish (in addition to English version). Please send Personal Statement in Spanish to [psychiatrycoordinator.rcm@upr.edu](mailto:psychiatrycoordinator.rcm@upr.edu)
3. Two **official** Transcripts (with your cumulative average grade point-GPA) from Undergraduate and Medical School.
4. **Official** evidence that your International Medical School is approved and recognized by the "Junta de Licenciamiento y Disciplina Médica de Puerto Rico (JLDMPR)" (Puerto Rico Board of Medical Examiners).  
<http://www.salud.gov.pr/Programas/ORCPS/JLDMPR> (787) 999-8989 and the WHO.
5. **Official** copy of your Diploma of Medical School\*\*
6. It is highly recommended that among the three letters of recommendation, at least one should be from a clinical rotation supervisor. (a) Candidates who graduate more than one year prior to the application must submit a letter of recommendation from most recent employment/clinical work experience.
7. Compliance with the UPR-School of Medicine Graduate Medical Education Office requirements\*\*  
<http://md.rcm.upr.edu/gme/gme-requirements/>
8. **Official** documentation of provisional or permanent License to practice Medicine in Puerto Rico\*\*
9. Compliance with ECFMG currently valid certificate and completion of USMLE Part I and Part II. (a) The Candidate must have approved the USMLE-Step II CK and CS no later than two weeks before the NRMP ranking deadline (**February 26, 2020**). (b) The Candidate must not have taken any of the USMLE Parts more than three (3) times to be eligible for interview. The same policy applies to continue to be a Resident in the Program.
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