

# UConn Pre-Medical/Pre-Dental Office

# Selecting Schools – Know Thyself

Career goals

Your skills, experiences, preferences

What have been the most inspiring and rewarding activities,  
experiences, aspirations.

# Location - geography

In-State

Public vs Private

Metro vs Suburban

East Coast, West Coast

Major Metro – Multiple Schools

# Overall School Mission Statement

Does the statement match your interest.

For Research, Clinical Practice, Teaching, Leadership,  
Technological Progress, Global Health, Service to  
Underserved Communities.

# REPUTATION

How important is the school's reputation, prestige, and history to you.  
What is the school most known for, how does the school promote and position itself.

# Special Program Goals

Primary Care incentive track

Rural Underserved

Cutting Edge Technological Innovation

Research

Administration

Teaching

Community Based Education

# Competitiveness

Number of applicants

Academic metrics

Holistic admissions

# Academic Concerns

- Teaching technique emphasis
- Typical weekly schedule
- Regular curriculum
- Electives
- Faculty advising/mentorship
- Clinical site training
- Specialty hospitals
- Status of residencies program
- where you do clinical rotations

- It's all about the patient





# School Demographics

Class Size

Track Record:

Gender

Diversity

Unique Curricular Features

USMLE Exam Results

Residency Placement Results

# SUMMARY

- Key Points:
  - Does school mission match your goals?
  - Does the school teaching methods match your preferred learning style?
  - Access key sites for data
    - [www.aamc.org/msar](http://www.aamc.org/msar)
    - Individual school websites
    - [www.aamc.org/initiatives/cir](http://www.aamc.org/initiatives/cir)
    - School metrics