The University of Missouri School of Medicine is offering a new, one year course of study, “Introduction to the Basic Biomedical and Clinical Sciences,” to commence in the academic year for August, 2018. The ultimate goal of this post-baccalaureate coursework is to increase the number of students for potential admission to the University of Missouri Medical School. More importantly, the long term objective of this education is to enhance the likelihood that some University of Missouri School of Medicine applicants, despite having lower MCAT scores, once matriculated, will perform at the top of their medical school class during their exposure to the basic science curriculum in medical school. This class work will be an intensive one year course of study with graduate students in the biomedical sciences that will allow post-baccalaureate students to learn and understand more of the basic science required for the study of medicine. Medical students who have academic difficulty do not often cite the complexity of the subject matter which they study, instead, their concern is the unexpected pace in which they are required to acquire voluminous new knowledge. By enrolling in our five credit hours/semester (Fall and Winter), “Introduction to the Basic and Clinical Biomedical Sciences,” post-baccalaureate students with lower MCAT scores will be given further foundation and time to focus and acquire the fund of knowledge necessary for progression through the basic science phase of the medical school curriculum. Although completion of this coursework does not guarantee admission into the University of Missouri School of Medicine, students accepted into this class, and who perform exceptionally well during the fall semester, will be offered an interview for admission into our School, and the Admission’s Committee will be provided with an assessment of the student’s successful performance of such rigorous study. Because of the intensity of this coursework, students will have only limited time for other employment, and it is expected that students will already have satisfactorily fulfilled other requirements for admission into medical school. Applicants with lower MCAT scores (495-505) who have previously applied to the University of Missouri but did not receive admissions in the 2017-2018 cycle will be given preference for selection. The costs of this course work is calculated on the basis of graduate student enrollment tuition for five credit hours/semester and the applicable student fees. This coursework will also satisfy the foundational course requirement of first year graduate students in our combined graduate program in the medical school. However, unlike the two year Master’s degree programs, no certificate or advanced degree is offered.

The applicant should mail the demographic information below with a printed copy of their 2017-2018 AMCAS application to Office of Admissions Post-Baccalaureate training, Office of the Dean, University of Missouri School of Medicine, ATTN: D. Taylor, MA202, One Hospital Drive, Columbia, MO, 65212. Applicants should apply by July 5, 2018, and those accepted will be notified on or about July 15, 2018.

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On a separate page, please describe (in 800 words or less) your reasons for wanting to matriculate into this graduate training.