

University of Pittsburgh Mini-Medical School

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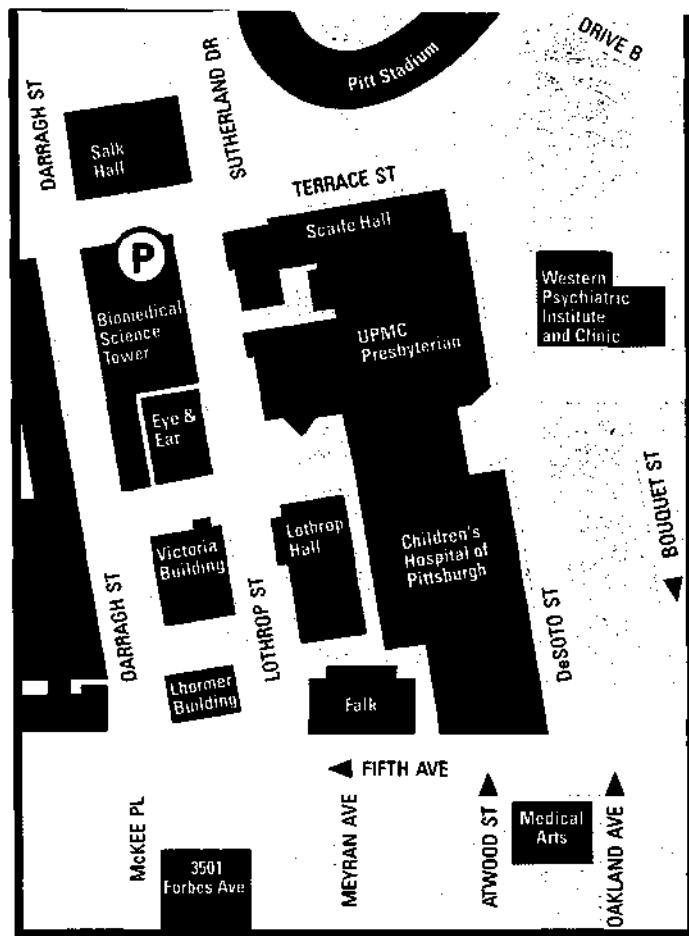
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University of Pittsburgh *Mini-Medical School*



Here's your chance to graduate
with the class of '99

You might be the ideal candidate for the University of Pittsburgh's new Mini-Medical School. In fact, we'd like to reserve a spot in the inaugural class of 1999. To help you decide, here's a 10-minute interview.

Kind of student who:

...likes the idea of a medical school with seven short "classes" from September to December?

- is willing to forgo dissections and final exams?
- is open to chatting with renowned faculty over after-class refreshments?
- has a little room in your cranium for the latest health and science information?

If you answered yes to any of the above, our Mini-Medical School may be just the place for you this fall. Sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, this exciting program is a new way of sharing accurate, up-to-date health and science information in a relaxed, informal atmosphere. You'll follow in the footsteps of our first- and second-year medical students and understand how they learn to diagnose and treat disease. You'll even have the benefit of our expert faculty. And there are no tuition or parking fees to worry about — the entire program is free of charge.

Each session focuses on a topic drawn from today's headlines, with an important added benefit: Mini-Medical School will help you understand the crucial role of basic science and research in supporting and advancing modern medicine. We'll also highlight the best available treatments for common health problems, the experiences of patients and physicians, and promising new therapies on the horizon.

Attending at least five of the seven sessions will earn you a graduation certificate from Mini-Medical School. Please note that space is limited, so we do encourage early enrollment. To secure your admission to Mini-Medical School, call 1-800-533-8762 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

University of Pittsburgh Mini-Medical School, Fall 1999

September 7

Tell Me Where It Hurts: The Science and Art of Medical Diagnosis

Learn the significance of the doctor's "pokes and prods," also known as palpation, percussion, and auscultation, as our medical experts explain the tools and techniques of diagnosis as applied to the detection of a common medical disorder.

Faculty Presenters:

Robert M. Arnold, MD
Michael P. Federle, MD

Resource Faculty: Frank J. Kroboth, MD

September 21

The Musculoskeletal System: Our Body's Framework for Life

Learn about the marvelous infrastructure of the human body, how it operates, and what doctors can do when there's a need for repair or replacement. Our discussion will cover timely topics like hip replacements, osteoporosis, and others.

Faculty Presenters:

Georgia Duker, PhD
James D. Kang, MD

Resource Faculty: Michelle M. Roberts, MD

October 5

The Beat Goes On: The Cardiovascular System and Circulatory Physiology

Learn more about the body's central pump and the serious problems that can develop when it doesn't work as well as it should. We'll take a "walk through the heart" to

understand everything from arrhythmias to the latest treatments for heart disease, including a look into the future and the potential uses of artificial hearts.

Faculty Presenters:

Arthur M. Feldman, MD, PhD
Bartley P. Griffith, MD

Resource Faculty: Conrad Smith, MD

October 19

Battling Renegade Cells: Cancer and the Immune System

Learn the latest from scientists who can explain the critical links between the immune system and the development of cancer. We'll explore the best available treatments for major cancers and focus on research leading to promising new treatment "weapons."

Faculty Presenters:

Olivera Finn, PhD
Donald L. Trump, MD

Resource Faculty: Andrew Baum, PhD

November 2

Journey to the Center of the Brain: From Development to Degenerative Disease

Learn about the natural life cycle of the remarkable human brain and how it grows and changes from infancy to old age. We'll talk about changes that are normal and those that can result in serious health problems, with a special focus on the latest scientific news about Alzheimer's disease.

Faculty Presenters:

Pat Levitt, PhD
Robert Y. Moore, MD, PhD

Resource Faculty: William Klunk, MD, PhD

November 16

Infectious Diseases: The AIDS Saga

Learn the latest about this modern-day medical mystery, including how doctors and scientists were able to identify the source of the disease and develop increasingly effective treatments. We'll also talk about the vaccine trials now under way in Pittsburgh and elsewhere and the vital role of prevention in halting the spread of infectious disease.

Faculty Presenters:

John Mellors, MD
Deborah McMahon, MD

Resource Faculty: Charles Rinaldo, PhD

December 7

Human Genetics: Are We Born with the Diseases from Which We'll Die?

Learn about successes, failures, twists, and turns as researchers continue to unlock the details of the human genetic code, a development with untold potential for new therapies and treatments. We'll explore the future of medicine by discussing the role of genes in the development of some major disorders and promising gene therapies for treating them.

Faculty Presenters:

Michael B. Gorin, MD, PhD
Wendy Rubinstein, MD, PhD

Resource Faculty: Joseph C. Giorioso, PhD

Dates: First and third Tuesdays of the month from September 7-December 7

Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.

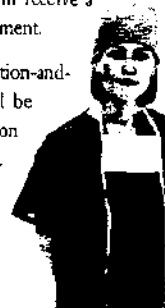
Location: University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Scaife Hall, Auditorium 6, fourth floor (street level)

Enrollment: Pre-registration required

Parking: Complimentary parking in the UPMC Garage. To access the garage, make a right turn off Fifth Avenue onto Lothrop Street; the garage entrance is on the left at the top of the hill.

Graduation: Students attending at least five sessions will receive a certificate of achievement.

Other info: A question-and-answer session will be held at the conclusion of each presentation. Complimentary light refreshments will be served.



To enroll, call 1-800-533-8762.

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