

# Medical School Personal Statement

While I was walking into my chemistry final during the summer of 2008, my cousin called to tell me that our grandfather had lost his battle with colon cancer and passed away. My eyes filled with tears and my phone fell out of my hand. I had never experienced a death before, and I had been very close to my grandfather. Realizing that better information about preventive care could have helped him catch his cancer at an earlier stage further kindled my longstanding passion for becoming a physician. I wanted to gain the knowledge of a physician in order to help people who live in underserved communities, such as the one in which I grew up.

My upbringing in a diverse community, undergraduate background in health science, MBA in health administration, experience in the American University of Antigua's premedical program: Bridge to MD, and first semester taken as a medical student at AUA, will both help me become a well-rounded physician. By working with individuals from diverse cultural backgrounds in my volunteer experiences, I also developed humility and cultural competence. These will both be important to me as a physician, because they will help me deal with patients who come from diverse cultures and make sure that nothing will cloud my medical judgment. These qualities, combined with my medical knowledge, will help me effectively interact with and understand my patients. With my MBA along with my MD, I will be able to spread my knowledge by not only having my medical education at hand, but also understanding the business and administrative aspects of healthcare. My time with AUA will aid in my understanding of the courses offered during the first and second semester at the Medical University of Americas. Some of the courses I have taken are: cellular biology, histology, gross anatomy, FCM-1, biochemistry, physiology, epidemiology, preventive medicine and neuroscience. While I have had some time off in between my time at AUA and applying to other medical schools I have developed and started studying for the USMLE Step 1 exam, and I am confident that this will help me build a solid foundation for when I will have to take my step 1 exam. Furthermore, while shadowing physicians, I have seen the interactions between patients and physicians along with the administrative aspects of medicine. I see myself pursuing pediatrics or family medicine. I could see myself interacting with children and their parents or dealing with a diversity of health conditions in family medicine. I unquestionably see myself as a physician.

I would be lying if I said there were not times when I wanted to give up on my journey towards becoming a physician and find something else to do with my life. However, throughout the hardships my passion for medicine and helping others motivated me to stay on my path to becoming a physician. I am now more motivated and passionate about becoming a physician than I have ever been before. I am a responsible, hard-working, and passionate individual, I do not give up when obstacles are placed in my path, and I possess the qualities needed to work through adversity. MUA's small classroom settings, student to faculty ratio, and tight knit community are some of the factors that make me want to continue my medical education at MUA. I want to one day become a physician who is not only able to heal, but also able to educate others about healthcare. I can confidently say that I have gained the experience and knowledge to become an exceptional medical student and, one day, an exceptional physician.

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