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Outset at UNC Chapel Hill



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We're so excited to welcome students to UNC-Chapel Hill for Outset 2027 Summer Programs!

We're so excited to welcome students to UNC-Chapel Hill, one of the nation's most respected universities and a leader in medical education. Home to the renowned UNC School of Medicine and a strong culture of hands-on learning, UNC offers the ideal setting for future physicians to take their first steps toward medicine. Students will train in hospital-grade simulation labs and learn from instructors dedicated to inspiring the next generation of healthcare leaders.

Throughout the week, students will experience life as a Tar Heel - living in the residence halls, dining in campus eateries, and exploring Chapel Hill's vibrant, walkable college town. From state-of-the-art classrooms to tree-lined quads, UNC's blend of academic rigor and Southern charm makes it an unforgettable place to learn, grow, and begin your journey into medicine.

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Programs

Program dates and availability are subject to change - please reach out to our Admissions team to confirm there are still spots available in your desired dates.

Programs at UNC-Chapel Hill:

Neurosurgery

Pediatrics

Orthopedic Surgery

Dentistry

General Medicine

General Surgery

Nursing

Emergency Medicine

Cardiology

Dermatology

Psychiatry

Anesthesiology

Cost: Tuition for all UNC programs is \$2995.

Ages: Outset is for current 9th-12th graders.

[See all Programs >](#)

*Program availability is subject to change based on enrollment numbers throughout the year.

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A day at Outset

Below is an **example** of what a day at Outset UNC looks like. Every summer we tailor activities to each campus, blending labs, workshops, and evening events that bring the program to life.

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| 8:00 – 8:45 AM | Grab healthy breakfast in UNC dining halls with other students |
| 9:00 – 9:45 AM | Kick off the day mapping your journey, from choosing the right school to mastering the MCAT |
| 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Get a look at the road ahead, from costs and timelines to what life as a med student looks like |
| 11:00 – 11:45 AM | Discover smart strategies to crush tough classes, balance it all, and stand out when it counts |
| 12:00 – 2:30 PM | Enjoy a meal at UNC dining halls, then join in on staff-led sports and activities around campus |
| 2:30 – 4:30 PM | Practice hands-on clinical skills in a Medical School simulation lab with physician teachers |
| 4:30 – 5:30 PM | Hear from physicians and guest speakers about healthcare in action |
| 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Refuel and connect with new friends over dinner at a local Chapel Hill restaurant |
| 7:30 – 9:30 PM | Join our evening activity led by staff: movie nights, bowling, pool/pizza and more! |
| 9:30 – 11:00 PM | Games, shower, and relax in your campus dorm before lights out at 10:30 or 11:00pm |

[See a Typical Day >](#)

Meet the Outset UNC-CH team

Program Leadership

Our leadership team combines experience in pre-med education and student programming to create a hands-on, inspiring experience for future healthcare leaders.



Lawson Kuehnert
Executive Director



Alicia Nelson
UNC Camp Director



Liam Smith
Operations Director



Annie Schools
Head of Admissions



Allison Dwyer
Director of Admissions



Lydia Kuehnert
Admissions Operations

Admissions Team Leadership

Our admissions team guides families through every step of the process, helping students find the program that sparks their curiosity and fits their goals.

Faculty & Physicians

We hire faculty, residents, fellows, and physicians to lead our sessions & share career insights. These teachers are finalized a few weeks before your camp.



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FAQs

Admissions deadline & process?

There is no deadline! We have rolling Admissions and a simple 4-step Admissions process. Learn more about how it works by **clicking here**.

What is the cost?

Tuition and housing for our programs is \$2995, including 24/7 staff, dorms, meals, 20+ hours of academics, speakers, evening activities, and activity transport. Travel to and from campus is not included.

Is there financial aid?

Yes, if you need financial aid please indicate this on your online application and fill out the aid information. We are not able to guarantee aid but we do take every aid request seriously.

How do I apply? How competitive is it?

Applying online is easy: **click here**. You'll hear from us within 2 business days. Outset is competitive and we look for motivated students with strong grades and a genuine interest in medicine or healthcare.

Are students supervised 24/7?

Outset maintains an 8:1 student-to-staff ratio, with ACA-trained staff providing 24/7 supervision. Our programs meet strict safety standards, and campuses are monitored to ensure students are safe at all times.

What are rooms and housing like?

Outset partners with college residence halls/dorms. In accordance with UNC policy, students are housed by sex assigned at birth for both roommates and shared hallways. Single rooms are available (\$300-400 for the week) - please check with our team for up-to-date info on cost and availability.

See all FAQs

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"Great Experience – My daughter attended the UNC Orthopedics Outset program and had a great experience! She came home with a much more thorough understanding of the path to a career in medicine and is excited for her future ...



by Melinda

Rated 4.7 / 5 | 105 reviews



Hear from Alumni

Students from across the country join Outset programs to explore, create, and grow. They leave inspired, with new skills, lasting friendships, and memories that stay with them long after the program ends.



Trusted by Parents

Parents trust Outset to provide safe, engaging, and enriching experiences for their children. Our programs combine expert guidance with hands-on learning, giving families confidence in every adventure.

"Best week EVER – I LOVED this experience at UNC-CH in the field of pediatrics! Each experience was designed to help focus our vocation, create supportive relationships, and explore the wide scope of professions within ...



by Christine Burkett

Rated 4.7 / 5 | 105 reviews



The Outset Difference

We turn curiosity into action with hands-on learning, inspiring mentors, and experiences that bring the medical world to life.

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Friendships and fun

Outset students don't just learn together - they build friendships and make summer memories together. Evenings at UNC-Chapel Hill vary by week. Some examples of past activities are **bowling night, movie night, UNC Outdoor Center adventures, dinner on Franklin Street**, and other relaxed outings that help everyone get to know each other.

These shared experiences bring students out of their shells and help them create connections with peers who are just as excited about medicine and campus life.

Life back in the dorms can look like volleyball games on the quad, card games, small-group hangouts, and activities led by our staff. Students often say these low-key evenings were where the strongest friendships formed.

All activities are supervised by trained, 24/7 residential staff, giving students a safe, supportive environment to explore campus, try new things, and enjoy an unforgettable week at UNC.

[Learn More](#)

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at Outset UNC?

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