



# CANADIAN FEDERATION OF MEDICAL STUDENTS

Junior Representative to the Committee on the Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools (CACMS)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE February 14, 2016  
OPEN TO 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR MEDICAL STUDENTS ONLY (1<sup>ST</sup>  
YEAR IN 3-YEAR PROGRAMS)**

## **What is CACMS?**

CACMS is the committee that assesses and accredits medical schools in Canada. Involvement in this committee is a large responsibility as many documents pertaining to the university under assessment must be reviewed and evaluated. Two students sit on this committee: a senior and a junior rep. Applicants for the junior position must be medical students for both years in the position (i.e. 2nd year student in a 4-year program or 1st year student in a 3-year program). The position involves at least one site visit to the school in question.

***The CFMS Selection Committee will be looking for the following:***

***The applicant should have an interest in the functioning of how a medical school works, believe in the need of accreditation, believe in the system and approach of self-regulation, be interested in the delivery at the level of the student (not admin or policy), and not be afraid to voice his/her opinion.***

***The nature of the work of this committee is unique and requires a high level of commitment and interest. The non-student committee members have extensive experience and qualifications but nevertheless recognize that students will have no specific knowledge on how the accreditation process works. Additionally, it is important to note that the successful candidate to this position will become a member of the Education Committee on the CFMS as well.***

# Application Procedure

**Term:** Two years

- First year as Junior representative – starting April 2016
- Second as Senior representative

**Meetings:** 1 site visit (timing variable) 3 meetings per year (January, May, September)

**Application Deadline: February 14, 2016 at 11:59 PM**

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Click on the following link to the CFMS External Representatives webpage. There you will find the online application that is to be completed for this position.

<http://www.cfms.org/index.php/about-us/81-about-us/96-external-committees.html>

Any questions about the process can be sent to our Nominations Committee Chairs, Fatemeh Ramazani ([ramazani@ualberta.ca](mailto:ramazani@ualberta.ca)) and Yousif Atwan ([yatwan2017@meds.uwo.ca](mailto:yatwan2017@meds.uwo.ca))

## General Criteria:

- CFMS Member (currently and in 2016-2017)
- Interest in the position
- Qualifications specific to the demands of the position
- Ability to recognize and adequately represent the position of all Canadian medical students, most notably the positions democratically determined by the board of the CFMS
- Ability to fulfill the necessary obligations of the position.
- Willingness to complete reports to be broadcast to all Canadian medical students
- Willingness to follow through with all the demands of the positions until a replacement is sought