

ERAS®

Working Together to Streamline the Application Process

We are continuing our efforts to streamline the application process by providing the following upgrades and initiatives in ERAS 2009:

Improved Application Information & Management Tools

Program Enhancements

- Enhanced *Interview Manager* functionality to help you manage your recruitment efforts more efficiently:
 - Notification when applicants withdraw their applications
 - Withdrawn applicants are identified when the interview schedule is accessed
 - Schedule an applicant for multiple interview dates for interviews lasting more than one day
 - Waitlist applicants for multiple dates
 - Messaging if a slot opens up on a date for which you have a waitlist
- Easier navigation through applicant documents with scrolling capability
- New resend functionality for e-mails sent through the PDWS
- New search tool to help you quickly locate information within the Notes tab
- Expanded label options to accommodate printing file folder labels
- Enhanced reporting information for local data, interviewers, and couples, as well as spreadsheet exporting options
- More descriptive labeling of foreign medical schools to identify country affiliation

Applicant & Designated Dean's Office Enhancements

- Improved efficiency for processing Letters of Recommendation (LoRs)
 - Applicants may identify and finalize letter writers prior to certifying their application and applying to programs
 - Designated dean's offices can process letters prior to September, as documents are received from letter writers
 - Letter writer descriptions will be displayed during document assignment to make properly identifying and assigning documents even easier

- Fee increased to \$60 for NBME and NBOME exam score transcripts
- Retooled *Publications* section to accommodate more publication types and future dates for oral and poster presentations
- Supplemental reporting for designated dean's offices including date range options, specialty breakdowns, and expanded exporting options

PDWebRevue (PDWR) – ERAS Web Module Update

- The PDWebRevue module is a specialized version of the PDWS that enables program staff to review assigned application materials via the Internet
- Beta testing conducted during ERAS 2008 with select specialties went extremely well, paving the way for the next phase in the testing process
- The PDWebRevue module is available to all programs as part of the ERAS 2009 rollout

Integrity Promotion Program

- The ERAS Integrity Promotion Program highlights fraudulent application behavior including plagiarized personal statements, altered LoRs and fraudulent publication citations
- ERAS is committed to continuing our education campaign to applicants, schools and programs about the ERAS Integrity Promotion Program, particularly behavior that warrants investigation
- Suspected unethical application behavior should be reported to erasinvestigations@aamc.org

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We always look forward to suggestions from our users. If you have any suggestions for improvements to the software or our service, e-mail them to erasideas@aamc.org.

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