

Table C: Department Chairs by Department, Sex, and Race/Ethnicity, 2017



The table below shows the number of permanent, interim, or acting department chairs at all U.S. medical school as of December 31, 2017 by department classification, sex, and race/ethnicity. By way of background, the Faculty Roster utilizes the official name given to each department by each medical school. The AAMC department classification is a way to group disparately named (but similar) departments across medical schools. As an example, a medical school could have separate departments of Neurosurgery and Cardiothoracic Surgery. These departments would appear in the Faculty Roster under their official names, but both would be reported in the Surgery department classification. To allow for unduplicated counts of chairs, the "Multiple Race – Hispanic" breakout includes all chairs who are reported as Hispanic and at least one other race/ethnicity. The "Multiple Race – Non-Hispanic" breakout includes all chairs who are reported as more than one race/ethnicity, but who are not reported as Hispanic.

	American Indian or Alaskan Native		Asian		Black or African American		Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish Origin		Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		White		Other		Multiple Race – Hispanic		Multiple Race – Non-Hispanic		Unknown		Total	
	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men
<b>BASIC SCIENCES</b>																						
Anatomy	0	0	2	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	18	46	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	23	53
Biochemistry	0	0	2	7	0	2	4	2	0	0	16	67	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	23	80
Microbiology	0	0	2	7	0	2	1	3	0	0	15	67	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	18	83
Pathology (Basic Science)	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	6	26	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	8	30
Pharmacology	0	0	1	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	14	62	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	16	73
Physiology	0	0	0	8	1	2	2	1	0	0	7	53	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	10	69
Other Basic Sciences	0	0	6	15	4	2	2	4	0	0	70	190	0	1	2	4	3	3	4	11	91	230
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	0	0	13	45	5	12	11	12	0	0	146	511	1	2	3	12	5	8	5	16	189	618
<b>CLINICAL SCIENCES</b>																						
Anesthesiology	0	0	2	5	0	3	1	1	0	0	12	91	0	0	0	4	1	0	1	1	17	105
Dermatology	0	0	2	7	1	1	0	4	0	0	16	46	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	19	60
Emergency Medicine	0	1	0	3	1	3	1	2	0	0	9	92	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	11	102
Family Practice	0	0	4	2	7	7	2	4	0	0	23	81	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	37	95
Internal Medicine	0	0	1	12	1	7	2	7	0	0	19	115	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	25	144
Neurology	0	0	1	11	0	1	0	4	0	0	13	88	0	0	0	3	0	6	0	0	14	113
Obstetrics & Gynecology	0	0	2	7	1	9	1	6	0	0	40	85	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	44	112
Ophthalmology	0	0	2	8	2	2	0	4	0	0	11	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	91
Orthopedic Surgery	0	0	0	6	0	4	0	2	0	0	1	103	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	118
Otolaryngology	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	83
Pathology (Clinical)	0	0	2	8	0	0	1	2	0	0	19	62	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	24	73
Pediatrics	0	2	5	5	4	3	3	3	0	0	24	93	0	1	0	2	1	2	0	1	37	112
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation	0	0	1	4	0	2	0	3	0	0	9	41	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	11	53
Psychiatry	0	1	3	6	4	4	3	6	0	0	19	100	0	0	0	5	1	2	0	1	30	125
Public Health & Preventive Medicine	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	7	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	10	17
Radiology	0	0	9	22	2	5	4	3	0	0	22	151	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	37	186
Surgery	0	0	4	38	1	13	1	16	0	0	13	282	0	2	0	3	0	3	0	0	19	357
Other Clinical Sciences	0	0	2	8	0	4	0	2	0	1	12	42	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	3	16	62
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	0	4	42	164	25	69	19	72	0	1	271	1,630	1	7	2	26	7	22	3	13	370	2,008
<b>OTHER DEPARTMENTS</b>																						
Dentistry	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Other Health Professions	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	15	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	11	19
Social Sciences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Veterinary Sciences	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2
All Others	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	3	0	0	16	22	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	19	31
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	0	0	0	2	3	3	0	3	0	0	28	42	0	1	1	3	1	0	2	4	35	58
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>2,183</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>2,684</b>

Note: This table excludes 3 chairs with missing sex data.

Source: AAMC Faculty Roster, December 31, 2017 snapshot, as of December 31, 2019.