

The Class of Medicine 2027 Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry Western University, London, ON

Welcome to the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry family.

This is an exciting start to what will be a life-long journey of learning and service in the remarkable profession of medicine.

An outstanding team of staff, faculty and students is here to support your success during the next four years. The medical curriculum and educational experiences are framed by an Approach to Clinical Presentations and Thinking Like a Physician, as you work towards achieving the MD Program Graduation Competencies

Embrace the School's values of Belonging, Excellence and Accountability.

Trust that you belong here.

Strive always for excellence.

Hold yourself accountable - for the success of others, as well as yourself.

Approach every opportunity with curiosity and remind yourself that you can learn from every educational experience.

Keep an open mind, approach discussions with the intention of listening and learning yet speaking up to offer a different perspective.

Medicine is collaborative. Each of us will face challenges, stumble and sometimes fall. You are not alone – I can attest to asking for help many times throughout my career. The exceptional team at the Learner Experience Office (https://www.schulich.uwo.ca/learner\_experience/) is here for you – do not hesitate to reach out and ask for support or assistance.

Your MD Program (https://www.schulich.uwo.ca/medicine/undergraduate) and the School benefit from a chorus of diverse voices helping each of us to grow in the service to others. Always remember that your purpose is the pursuit of equitable and inclusive quality health care for all patients, families and communities.

The entire team is looking forward to meeting each one of you.

Sincerely

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