



# AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

*WELCOME CLASS OF 2024*

Dear Augusta campus students:

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University.

You are about to start a new and exciting phase in your career. This year will be filled with joy, satisfaction and new opportunities to learn and serve. Your success will require commitment, collaboration and passion.

The Office of Student and Multicultural Affairs will support and help you transition through your first year of medical school and years to come. We look forward to meeting you and getting to know you!

The J. Harold Harrison Educations Commons is a beautiful building which facilitates group learning and collaboration among our students. We also have a state-of-the-art anatomy lab and 13 Academic Houses to enhance your learning experience. There are many exciting things going on at the Medical College of Georgia and we look forward to sharing them with you.

You are entering our medical school at unprecedented times. The COVID pandemic has affected all of us in different ways. We hope you and your family have been able to stay healthy and safe. The way we deliver medical education and teach our students has also changed secondary to the pandemic. We are working hard to find innovative ways to continue to provide first-class medical education to all our students whether it's live or remotely. Presently, we are unsure whether we will be able to start the new academic year in person. Nonetheless, we will make every possible effort to assure you have a smooth transition and a successful year.

A couple items you need to be aware of:

- 1) **IT session:** Please make sure you are available at least **one-half day** between **July 20-July 24** to complete a **four-hour mandatory** technology session. This session most likely will be remote on Microsoft Teams. Details to follow soon.
- 2) **Orientation is mandatory** for **ALL** first-year medical students. It will be **July 27-28**. Classes will start immediately afterwards on Wednesday **July 29**.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our office at [MCGMEDSTUDENT@augusta.edu](mailto:MCGMEDSTUDENT@augusta.edu)

Once again, congratulations and welcome to our Medical College of Georgia family!

Sincerely,

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