

Dear Admissions Committee at the Perelman School of Medicine,

Perelman continues to remain my top choice for medical school, and should I receive an offer of admission I will immediately accept and withdraw all other waitlist positions. I absolutely fell in love with Penn when I came to interview this past winter. No other school resonated with me as much as Perelman did; even the interview day was incredibly unique. No other interview day incorporated a standardized patient encounter, and the art in medicine workshop made it very apparent that the school values multidisciplinary efforts. The students and the faculty were incredibly warm and welcoming, and their love for the school was apparent. The conversation I had with Ms. Sheffler was one of the best I have ever had, and it indicated to me that many of the faculty treat the students at Perelman not just as students, but also as mentees and friends. The curriculum of the school is very conducive to my style of learning, as it requires some degree of self-motivation but also places a heavy emphasis on teamwork and problem based learning. The condensed pre-clinical curriculum is incredible, as it (along with LEAPP) affords both early clinical exposure but also the opportunity to carry out a scholarly activity, and this demonstrates the emphasis Penn places on research. The ability to complete a certificate is also particularly of interest to me, as I hope to eventually go into medical education. Finally, the "One University" concept is one I would most certainly take advantage of, given my interests in technology, music, and other fields outside of medicine.

Perelman's location is also ideal. The area surrounding the medical school provides a very diverse population of patients, and interactions with these people will serve to make me a better doctor. The school and student body's commitment to service is also unparalleled, and this will allow me get involved in various service opportunities that involve the surrounding community. Finally, Philadelphia is home to a large community of Coptic Orthodox Christians, and is relatively close to Pittsburgh, affording me the opportunity to be closer to my family than I am now.

I sincerely hope that you will continue to keep my application under consideration, and I would be very grateful to receive an offer of acceptance.

Sincerely,
George Saieed