ENTERING M.D. STUDENTS

DEADLINE DATE: MARCH 12, 2014 2014 – 2015 Financial Aid Instructions

**Changes to the Financial Aid Application and Instructions for 2014-2015 will be available no later than the end of the 1st week in February. Please review the website at that time to obtain the most updated information.

ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE (IN ITS ENTIRETY) THE PARENT AND STUDENT SECTIONS OF THE FAFSA FORM IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR INSTITUTIONAL NEED BASED GRANT AWARDS.

2014 - 2015 Required Documents

- Online MSM Financial Aid Application- February 2014
 (http://www.msm.edu/prospective_students/financial_aid/application.aspx)
- 2014-2015 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Form (apply at www.fafsa.ed.gov). This form will be available after 1/01/2014. Do not leave any items blank include an answer to every question. (Note: You must have your (completed/filed) 2013 federal tax return and your (filed) parents' 2013 federal tax return in order to complete this form accurately).
- 3. Signed copy of student/spouse 2013 IRS Tax Return (as signed and submitted to IRS). Including tax schedules B, C, D, E, S (if applicable).
- 4. Signed copy of parents' and/or step-parents' 2013 IRS Tax Return (as signed and submitted to IRS); including tax schedules B, C, D, E, S (if applicable).
- 5. W-2 forms and 1099s to verify 2013 earned income for students, spouse, and parents.
 - W-2 forms should total the income (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) on line 7 of the 2013 (1040 Tax Form); line 7 of the 2013 (1040A) tax form, or line 1 of the 2013 (1040 EZ) tax form.
- 6. 2013 signed Non-Filer's Certification form for student/spouse who will not file a 2013 IRS Tax Return (http://www.msm.edu/prospective students/financial aid/currentstudents.aspx)
- 7. 2013 signed Non-Filer's Certification form for parents/step-parents who will not file a 2013 IRS Tax Return
- 8. Title IV Authorization Form

Important Points:

- Your application will not receive maximum consideration for MSM need based grants if the required
 documents are submitted late (including parent income information on the FAFSA form-No missing or
 blank financial data).
- Encourage your parents to file his/her tax return(s) early (if you wish to be considered for need based grants).
- The Federal Tax Return is required for <u>all tax filers</u> (i.e., student/spouse, parents/step-parents).
- Please do not submit a state tax return.
- Due to limited MSM grant funds (available for awarding) students whose parents' annual income exceeds \$110,000 are not required to provide parent income information.
- Grant eligibility will be largely reduced and/or denied for incomplete and /or missing required documents (including parent income information on the FAFSA form).
- Applicants accepted after March 12, 2014 will have fourteen working days to submit all documents.

DEADLINE DATES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Please visit www.msm.edu for additional information.