

GME POLICY #140

VISA STATUS FOR NON U.S. CITIZENS

U.S. citizens who are graduates of international medical schools are eligible for consideration for residency positions, given they meet other criteria for all applicants in the specific program to which they are applying.

Visa status for non-U.S. citizens must fall within the following categories, per ACGME guidelines:

- Eligible for and willing to seek a J-1 Visitor Visa through the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG)
- Permanent Resident or "Alien" status (i.e., with a Green Card to work in the U.S.)

The University of Tennessee does not typically sponsor residents for visas not designed for graduate medical training (e.g., the H1-B visa).

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