

2025-26 MWU Student Immunization Checklist (Downers Grove)

Welcome! This checklist is a **guide** to assist you with providing the necessary immunization information required of all MWU students. This documentation is required to be completed 30 days prior to matriculation. Please be sure to read the College/Program Specific Requirements section that applies to your enrollment.

Childhood and/or adult vaccine records

- **Proof of (3)-childhood Hepatitis B vaccines**
- **Proof of (2)-childhood MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccines (given after your 1st birthday)**
- **Proof of (2)-childhood Varicella vaccines**

If you **do not** have vaccine records, you will be required to obtain blood titers for those missing vaccines. A titer is a blood test that measures circulating levels of antibodies.

Some programs require titers in addition to vaccine records. Please see the “College/Program-Specific Requirements” section for a listing of those programs.

Current Tdap vaccine (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis)

- Within the last 10 years
- Given after age 11

Flu Vaccine

- This is an annual requirement. Deadline is September 30.
- Annual flu shots are available starting early August each year.
- There is no need to upload flu shot documentation from the previous year.

Student Health Status (SHS) form

- Signed by your healthcare provider (DO, MD, PA, or NP)
- Found in the Student Services Tab under “Forms and Information”.

TB Clearance

- IGRA (Interferon Gamma Release Assay) blood test (Quantiferon-Gold or T-Spot) or (2)-Step TB skin test
- The IGRA blood test is **preferred** since it is only 1 visit to the lab for the blood-draw; and a more **objective** test.
- A (2)-step TB *skin* test consists of 2 different TB skin tests completed within 1-3 weeks of each other but not read sooner than 7 days apart. This requires 4 separate visits to the clinic to have both tests placed and read.
- **This is an annual requirement for students in some Colleges.** Once you have a baseline IGRA blood test or (2)-step TB skin test, you may only need to complete a (1)-step TB skin test each year – provided it is done before the expiration of the prior year’s test. An IGRA test (Quantiferon-Gold or T-Spot) is also acceptable to satisfy the annual requirement.

Positive TB test results

- If you receive a positive TB **skin** test, you should obtain an IGRA **blood** test to rule-out a false positive test. You should *never* receive another **skin** test, as you will always test positive. This is especially true if you received BCG vaccine as a child. An IGRA blood test is not affected by previous BCG vaccine.

- You will need clearance of signs/symptoms of TB from your Healthcare Provider (HCP). They may or may not recommend a Chest Xray (CXR) and/or treatment for latent TB. **We do not accept CXR as TB Clearance.** Your HCP may write a letter for you to upload to your student portal, or they can complete the Positive TB Questionnaire, which will be emailed to you upon receipt of your positive test result submission.

COVID vaccine(s)

- Not currently required by the University
- Initial COVID vaccines series and updated booster are strongly recommended and may be required by some programs and clinical rotations.

Meningococcal vaccine

- Only required if you are under the age of 22 at matriculation.
- Adult booster (Menactra or Menveo) is required if childhood vaccine was given prior to your 16th birthday.

All required immunization records listed above must be uploaded to your student portal to satisfy your immunization requirements.

Instructions for uploading your immunization records and Student Health Status (SHS) form

- Save the document in a pdf format. All uploads must be pdf. Be sure your name and date for the item you are submitting is listed on your uploaded document.
- Go to your online MWU Student portal.
- Go to the Student Services tab.
- Select "Documentation Upload".
- Select the appropriate category for the type of record you are uploading.

Note: You will need to print the SHS form (as explained above) and have it completed by your healthcare provider. You can then upload the completed form to your student portal.

All required vaccinations and titers, as well as flu shots and Quantiferon-Gold testing can be completed at the MWU Multispecialty Clinic (MSC) – Family Medicine.

MWU Multispecialty Clinic
3450 Lacey Rd.
Downers Grove, IL 60515
630-743-4500 (press options 3 then 1)

College/Program-Specific Requirements (Downer Grove)

BioMed:

- 1-step TB skin test acceptable for baseline TB testing

CCOM:

- *Titers required:*
 - Hepatitis B Surface Antibody titer
 - Hepatitis B Surface Antigen titer
 - Varicella IgG titer
 - Measles IgG titer
 - Mumps IgG titer
 - Rubella IgG titer
- Annual TB testing must be either a TB Quantiferon-Gold or a 2-step TB skin test

Dental:

- Baseline TB Clearance only at matriculation
- Deadline for submitting immunization documentation is **May 30, 2025**
- Your program will receive regular updates on your immunization status so you should upload your documentation to your portal as soon as you have it.
- If you have not completed the Hepatitis B Vaccine Series you must submit documentation showing you are in process. You must then upload documentation for each vaccine after receiving it, following the prescribed timeline.
- Failure to complete your immunizations by the May 30 deadline may result in you being removed from the program and your seat offered to a student on the waitlist.

Occupational Therapy (OT):

- *Titers required:*
 - Hepatitis B Surface Antibody titer
 - Varicella IgG titer
 - Measles IgG titer
 - Mumps IgG titer
 - Rubella IgG titer

Optometry:

- Baseline TB clearance only at matriculation

Physician Assistant (PA):

- *Titers required:*
 - Hepatitis B Surface Antibody titer
 - Varicella IgG titer
 - Measles IgG titer

- Mumps IgG titer
- Rubella IgG titer
- **Updated COVID vaccine within 12 months of the start of clinical rotations:**
 - If vaccinated; 1 updated dose of Comirnaty or Spikevax
 - If unvaccinated; 1 updated dose of Comirnaty or Spikevax; or 2 doses of updated Novavax

Physical Therapy (PT):

- **Titers required:**
 - Hepatitis B Surface Antibody titer
 - Varicella IgG titer
 - Measles IgG titer
 - Mumps IgG titer
 - Rubella IgG titer

Questions?

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