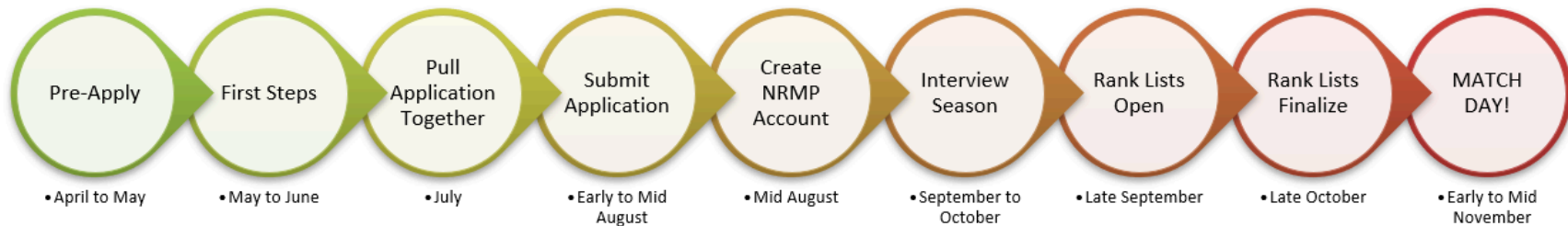


Application Timeline for Clinical Ultrasound Fellowships

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Note: Although the dates are relative, please [review this website for exact dates for your current Match year.](#)



Pre-Application: PGY2 Year in a 3-Year Program, PGY3 Year in a 4-Year Program

- Finalize your decision to apply to a clinical ultrasound fellowship.
- Find mentors who are willing to write you a strong letter of recommendation.
- Consider bolstering your application with ultrasound-focused projects.

First Steps: May to June

- [Create an account on the Society of Clinical Ultrasound Fellowships \(SCUF\) website.](#)
- Review the [information on how to use the SCUF website.](#)
- Review some [Important Dates for your Match.](#)
 - Match Opens: This date indicates when you can start registering for the Match.
 - Ranking Opens: This date indicates when you can start creating a rank list for the Match.
 - Quota Change Deadline: This date is for the fellowship programs to finalize the number of spots they will have.
 - Rank Order List Certification Deadline: This date is when your rank list needs to be finalized.
 - Match Day: This is when you find out if and where you have matched.

- Review and update your CV.
- Begin work on a personal statement.
- Consider scheduling elective time in your upcoming senior year during September or October so you will have maximal flexibility to attend interviews.

Pulling the Application Together: July

- Submit your requests via your SCUF application to your mentors for letters of recommendation.
- Update your CV.
- Write a draft of your personal statement.

Submit Application: Early to Mid August

- Finalize your personal statement.
- Make final updates on your CV.
- Upload the most updated version of both your personal statement and CV to your SCUF Application.
- Select the programs you wish to apply to and submit your application.
- Gently remind your letter writers to submit their letters.

Create or Update Your NRMP Account: Mid August

- To participate in the Match, you must have an account with the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) to access the Registration, Rankings and Results (R3) matching system. Often, this will be the same account that you used to apply to emergency medicine residency.
- Note: the Match system does not open before mid-August. You will not be able to create an account before the system opens.
- [Register for the NRMP R3 system to participate in the Match here.](#)
- **Without an NRMP Account, fellowship programs CANNOT put you on their rank lists.**

Interview Season: September to October

- If your letter writers still have not submitted a letter of recommendation yet, gently insist that your fellowship programs will need them to complete your application.
- Be prepared for both in-person and virtual interviews.

Rank Lists Open: Late September

- As you complete your interviews, put together a preliminary rank list.

Rank Lists Finalize: Late October

- Rank lists **are due at 9pm EST** on the date noted in the NRMP website.

Match Day: Early to Mid-November

- Sit back. Relax. Log in to the NRMP website at 12pm EST to see where you're going.