Marshall University: Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine

* 1st medical school named after a female
* Located in Huntington, West Virginia (Ohio/Kentucky border)
* 80 students average class size (77% WV residents)
	+ Only accept students from states that border WV (VA. KY, MD, PA, & OH)
* Application deadline: November 1st
	+ Rolling admissions- get applications in early!
* Special programs
	+ Wilderness Medicine Program
	+ Homeless Medicine Program
* Tips for Interview/ What will make you memorable?
	+ “4 Leg Table”
		- Grades/MCAT
		- AMCAS (June 1st open- allow plenty of time to fill out)
		- Letters of Recommendation
			* More personable= more memorable
		- Personal statement
	+ “It’s a service- spending the rest of your life serving”
		- Want to see you understand the time commitment and continued necessity to serve
	+ Clinical skills labs- looking for genuine interest in subject not just fulfilling a requirement
	+ Practice with someone else
		- Video record and go back and watch and analyze
			* Smile continually
			* Don’t shake/ look nervous
			* Pull back hair if have tendency to fidget with
	+ Look at mission statement for specific school before hand and have ideas in mind of what you can relate to about that school
		- Do your research on school and look for connections to your application and personality
	+ Be your best self
		- Arrive early
		- Dress respectfully
	+ Thank you letters- are appreciated and reflect well
	+ Be enthusiastic
		- Want to remain on positive note throughout interview
* Personal Statement
	+ Why are you interested in medicine?
	+ If received any poor grades/ need to explain anything- own the grade
		- Make sure you are not making excuses, explain why and what could have possibly been done differently
* Portfolio to bring with to interviews
	+ List of realistic questions you have about the school
		- Nothing you can find online/ on their website (ex: class size)
	+ Copy of personal statement
		- Make sure you know what you wrote as may be asked about in interview
	+ Resume
	+ Copy of specific school mission statements
* Research- a chance to find your interest