

Ryan Skelly
Medicine (Applying to Anesthesia)
Innovation Fellows Program - University of Florida
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Ryan Skelly is a third-year medical student at the University of Florida College of Medicine. Most of his colleagues call him by his surname Skelly. Skelly will be applying for an anesthesiology residency next fall so that he can continue his medical training with the end goal of becoming a cardiothoracic anesthesiologist.



Skelly graduated from the University of Central Florida with a major in biomedical sciences and a minor in psychology. While at UCF, he held several leadership positions in multiple organizations, volunteered around the Orlando community, and worked on various projects that involved next generation gene sequencing, DNA, and protein analysis. He also sat on the research council for the university and mentored freshmen and sophomores during his senior year. He graduated with honors and received his B.S. in 2019

After he got his first-degree, Skelly felt driven to broaden his horizons and was given the opportunity to receive his M.B.A. at a discounted tuition rate. For his M.B.A, Skelly attended Jacksonville University, a small private institution in his hometown of Jacksonville, Florida. During his time in business school, Skelly concentrated in finance and portfolio management and was a part of the Dolphins Student Investment Fund — a team that helped manage the universities endowment. Skelly also took part in the CFA Institute Research Challenge and helped lead his team to becoming the state finalist in 2021. During that time, Skelly had the opportunity to work with CEOs, CFAs, and investment analyst who graduated from Harvard University and spent time working at Deutsche Bank and Goldman Sachs. While in business school, Skelly was working part-time, studying for his MCAT, and preparing his medical school application.

During his time in medical school, Skelly has continued to pursue opportunities of growth and development. He was the resident of the “Business and Innovation in Medicine” track where he helped teach medical students business fundamentals and networked with individuals around the UF innovate HUB. Skelly has also taken part in several research studies, one of which applied Kohlberg’s theory of moral development to the moral capabilities of ChatGPT. Skelly has continued to volunteer his time to multiple places like Habitat for Humanity, Equal Access Clinic, and Street Medicine organizations and who work with the homeless population in Gainesville by providing them healthcare on the go. Skelly also founded a club “Resistance Training in Medicine” where he and his team teach medical students the importance of resistance training and how they can apply it when caring for their patients.

In his free time, Skelly likes to maintain a very active lifestyle where he powerlifts, practices yoga, bicycles, hikes & snowboarding (not in FL of course), and traveling whenever given the chance. After graduating with his M.D. degree, Skelly will complete his residency in anesthesiology. His interest are in business development, project management, financial modeling, critical care medicine, healthcare innovation, and device development. His life goals in life are to live with humility and leave an impact on the patients he cares for and the people he works with.