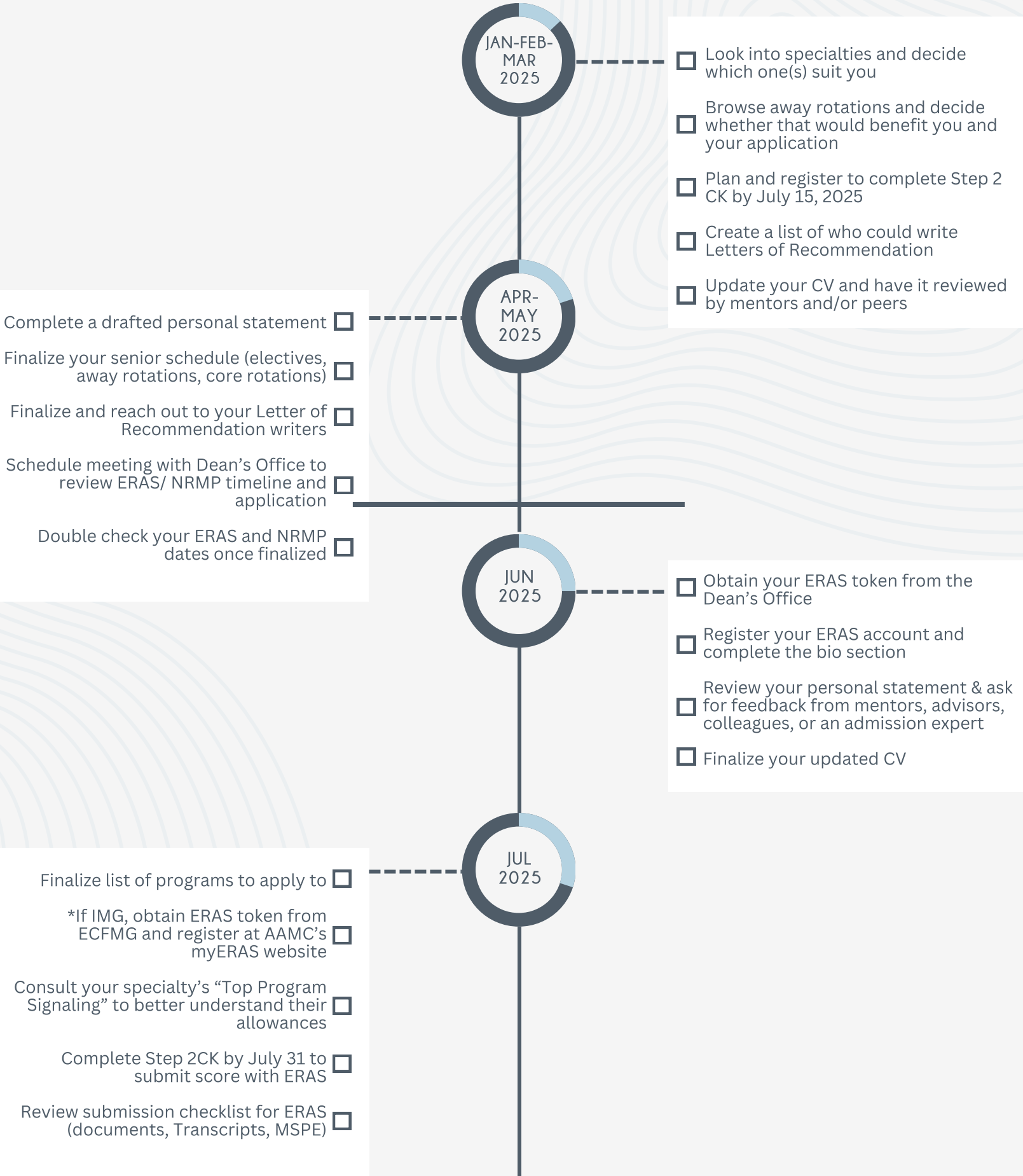


RESIDENCY TIMELINE 2025-2026



AUG
2025

- ☐ Check status of your Letters of Recommendation (aim to have them completed by the end of this month)
- ☐ Finalize Personal Statement
- ☐ Continue working on ERAS application, but wait to certify until it is error-free
- ☐ Authorize release of USMLE transcript
- ☐ Take and upload your professional photo
- ☐ Assign documents to specific programs as necessary in myERAS
- ☐ Review final MSPE from Dean's Office and verify there are no errors
- ☐ *If IMG, ensure school has provided your MSPE
- ☐ *If IMG, and applying via ECFMG Oasis, submit documents at least 2 weeks before applications are due

SEP
2025

Submit or certify your ERAS Application to your chosen programs on September 3, 2025 ☐

Ensure that your application has been submitted by September 24, 2025 when programs begin reviewing applications ☐

Frequently monitor your email to begin signing up for interviews ☐

OCT
2025

- ☐ Check on status of application and messages through MyERAS
- ☐ Continue to closely monitor your email for interview offers and communications
- ☐ Maintain an organized calendar to efficiently schedule interviews and important dates
- ☐ Prepare for interviews
- ☐ Send one follow-up letter or email per program if you have yet to hear any communication by late October

Continue to interview (majority of interviews take place during this time frame) ☐

Discuss with medical school advisor if you have not yet received interview invites ☐

Send brief and timely thank you letters after interviews. Be sure to check the program's website to see their policy on post-interview communication. Some programs specifically request no thank you letters. ☐

Continue to send one follow-up letter if you have yet to receive any communications ☐

Military Match announced Mid December ☐

NOV-
DEC
2025

JAN
2026

- ☐ Finish remaining interviews
- ☐ Create rank list weighing pros and cons
- ☐ Ophthalmology, Plastic Surgery, and Urology rank list due early January - (2026 dates not released)
- ☐ Ensure you have registered for NRMP

Begin rank list on NRMP (both applicants and programs can create submissions) ☐

Finalize and submit rank list by the end of February - (2026 dates not released) ☐

Triple check your rank list to ensure that you are using the correct NRMP codes ☐

Consider emailing your first-ranked program to communicate your desire to match there. Be sure to check the program's website for their policies first to ensure that they don't specifically request not to do this. ☐

FEB
2026

MAR
2026

- ☐ Check whether or not you have matched on March 16, 2026
- ☐ If you did not match, begin SOAP Application on March 16, 2026
- ☐ SOAP Interviews on March 17-19, 2026
- ☐ Match Day on March 20, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

June 4, 2025	ERAS Opens for 2026 Cycle & Able to Create Account
September 3, 2025	Able to Submit ERAS Applications
September 15, 2025	Able to Create NRMP Rank Account
September 24, 2025	Programs Begin to Review Applications
Mid-December 2025	Military Match Day
January 30, 2026	The Standard NRMP Registration Deadline for Match & SOAP
Early-January 2026	Urology Rank Lists Due
Late-January 2026	Ophthalmology Rank Lists Due
Early February 2026	Urology and Ophthalmology Match Day
February 2, 2026	First Day Able to Submit NRMP Rank List
March 4, 2026	Deadline to Certify and Submit NRMP Rank List
March 16, 2026	NRMP Applicant Match Status Announced
March 16, 2026	SOAP Applications Begin
March 17-19, 2026	SOAP Interviews & Selection Process
March 20, 2026	Match Day



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