

Over 60 programs participated in the first year of OTCAS. Here is what some of the programs have to say.....

OTCAS has been very helpful in the organization of applicant information and availability for all involved faculty. All faculty had access to the information they needed to proceed with interviews, etc. It was also great in regards to communication with applicants. I could send the applicant an e-mail through OTCAS, after reviewing their file and communicate regarding questions...they in turn, could respond back to me immediately with the information. In addition, Ann Donnelly and others (OTCAS Staff) have been wonderful in returning phone calls, and trouble shooting.

–Patti, Chair of the MOT Admission Committee; Governors State University (IL)

We definitely noticed an **increase in our applicant pool** that we expect it is related to our implementation of OTCAS. Our number of applicants more than doubled. OTCAS changed our admission processes, eliminating some manual data entry, although we did need to make significant changes to our existing databases in order to utilize the new system. I would expect the time savings will become more apparent in subsequent years.

- Admission Department; Washington University School of Medicine (MO)

OTCAS streamlined our application process, decreasing the amount of forms and the number of pages of those forms that needed to be complete; for example, in our original scoring form, it was 3 pages long and now it is down to one page and if OTCAS were a little faster in verifying the GPAs we require, I think it could be down to half a page.

The selection of categories to create files is terrific and was really helpful in preparing our admissions database, especially since I could keep it in an excel program format. It saved my assistant a lot of typing in the data.....

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