



Dear Medical School Administrator,

On behalf of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians Resident and Student Organization (ACOEP-RSO), we are writing to provide formal support for your student's request to attend the **ACOEP Spring Seminar 2026 in Orlando, Florida, with RSO programming held April 20–21, 2026.**

ACOEP-RSO is deeply committed to supporting osteopathic medical students pursuing Emergency Medicine through structured mentorship, professional development, and hands-on clinical skill building. For many students, especially those without robust EM exposure or home-institution mentorship, national conferences such as this provide critical educational opportunities that are difficult to replicate locally.

A distinguishing feature of the **ACOEP Spring Seminar** is its **student-centered, skills-focused environment**. The RSO programming is intentionally designed to be smaller in scale, allowing for meaningful interaction between students, residents, and faculty. This format enables students to receive individualized guidance, refine clinical and professional skills, and establish mentorship relationships that often translate directly into residency interviews and match success.

We would like to specifically highlight two cornerstone components of the RSO experience:

- **Emergency Medicine Skills Lab:**

Students participate in hands-on procedural training led by residents and attending physicians. These sessions emphasize practical EM skills, clinical reasoning, and confidence building—key competencies for success during clinical rotations and audition months.

- **Residency Fair and Speed Mentorship:**

The residency fair provides direct access to program leadership, residents, and faculty from EM programs across the country. Students gain insight into program culture, application strategies, and expectations, while also establishing early professional connections that are invaluable during the Match process.

Additional conference offerings include leadership development sessions, high-yield educational lectures, simulation experiences, and structured mentorship opportunities tailored to medical students at varying stages of training.

We recognize that time away from coursework and clinical responsibilities is a significant consideration. However, based on our collective experience as medical students, residents, and educators, participation in this conference—particularly during the pre-clinical or early clinical years—can be pivotal in shaping a successful Emergency Medicine career trajectory.

Your student's desire to attend reflects initiative, professionalism, and a strong commitment to career development in Emergency Medicine. We sincerely hope you will support their request for educational leave to attend the **ACOEP RSO programming on April 20–21, 2026** in conjunction with the Spring Seminar in Orlando.

If you have any questions or require additional information, our Director of Student Affairs may be reached at **DOSA.ACOEP.RSO@acoep.org**.

Sincerely,  
**The ACOEP-RSO Executive Board**