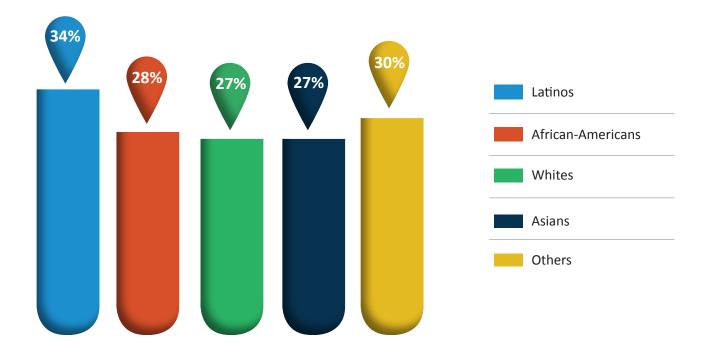


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Medical school pipeline

Latinos who go to medical school are most likely to first attend a community college.

Percent of medical school students who have attended a community college, 2012



Sources: Association of American Medical Colleges, "Matriculating Student Questionnaire: 2013 All Schools Summary Report," 2013.

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In 2012, about one third of medical school applicants at one point attended a community college either during high school, after high school or following graduation from a four-year university. Data show that a higher proportion of minority medical students used the community college pathway. About 34 percent of Latinos, 28 percent of African-Americans and 27 percent of Asians who matriculated attended community college at some point, compared to 27 percent of whites. Minority students who first attended community colleges were more likely to practice in underserved communities, compared to students who used other pathways.

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