

The **University of Minnesota Rochester** (UMR) was founded in 2006 and graduated its first class in 2013. It is a distinctive campus within the University of Minnesota system, located downtown Rochester. It specializes in health sciences education, offering innovative, student-centered programs that prepare graduates for careers in health care and biomedical fields. With partnerships with nearby institutions such as Mayo Clinic, UMR emphasizes experiential learning, research opportunities, and a supportive academic environment.



College-in-3 Program: [NXT GEN MED](#) is an accelerated, technology-driven Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences program, developed in partnership with Google Cloud and the Mayo Clinic. Launched in 2022, this program prepares students for administrative careers in a health care system. It allows students to complete their degree in approximately 2.5 years through a year-round, cohort-based model that blends in-person and virtual learning. The curriculum emphasizes real-world problem-solving, utilizing cutting-edge tools like virtual reality and gamified learning

experiences. Students participate in paid internships at Mayo Clinic, mentorship from healthcare professionals, and personalized support from success coaches. NXT GEN MED addresses the growing demand for skilled professionals in the health sector while reducing educational costs and time to degree completion.