

# Graduate Australian Medical Schools Admissions Guide 2025

#### **Application Dates:**

Applications for domestic students open on 1 May 2024 and close on 31 May 2024 at 5pm AEST / 3pm AWST

NO LATE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED - Please note the closing time is 5pm AEST / 3pm AWST



# **GEMPASS Australia Medical Schools**

**Australian National University** 

**Deakin University** 

**Griffith University** 

Macquarie University

The University of Melbourne

The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle

The University of Notre Dame Australia, Sydney

The University of Queensland

The University of Western Australia

**University of Wollongong** 

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#### Timeline - 2024 for 2025 Intake

#### **MARCH**

#### **APRIL**

Ensure you have official academic transcripts if you attended (at any time) an institution NOT participating in ARTS.

This includes overseas and exchange transcripts.

#### MAY

- **1 May** Medicine Applications open.
- 1 May University of Queensland prerequisite assessment submissions due.
- 31 May Medicine Applications close at 5pm AEST/3pm AWST.

#### JUNE

- **17 June** Supporting documents to be provided, if required:
- Deadline to upload official transcripts from non-ARTS institutions to GEMSAS, if you have already completed your degree.
- ELC documentation to be uploaded.
- School-specific supporting documents to be emailed.
- Rurality supporting documents to be emailed.

#### **JULY**

17 July – Deadline to upload official transcripts from non-ARTS institutions (including 1st Semester results and 2nd Semester enrolled subjects) to GEMSAS, if you will be completing your studies in 2024.

#### **AUGUST**

#### **SEPTEMBER**

**Early September** - Offers of interviews for Medicine are released.

**Late September** 

\*Interviews held.

#### **OCTOBER**

#### **Early October**

\*Interviews held.

#### **NOVEMBER**

End of October/Early November - Offers of places for Medicine are released via email.

#### **DECEMBER**

Additional offers made to fill vacancies.

#### **JANUARY 2025**

Additional offers made to fill vacancies.

#### **FEBRUARY 2025**

<sup>\*</sup>Interview dates and information sessions/open days may be subject to change

### Please read this entire guide carefully

The following information is provided as general guidance to applicants to graduate entry medicine in Australia. However, all applicants should routinely check the websites of their chosen institutions and the GEMSAS website for admission updates.

#### How GEMSAS will contact you



Email will be the primary means of contact between GEMSAS and applicants and there may also be a need to send you letters by mail to your nominated postal address.

It is essential that **you provide a current email address** which will be valid from April 2024 to February 2025 and that you regularly check your emails, including your junk or spam folders. Expect emails from GEMSAS at any time during the process but especially around the time of interview and offers. Some of the participating universities will only communicate with applicants via email.

Some email messages may not be accepted or may be flagged as spam by some email providers (e.g. Hotmail or Yahoo).

Applicants are advised to provide an email address other than their current university address (unless it will be available until February 2025), Hotmail or Yahoo email addresses.

Neither GEMSAS nor the universities will be held responsible for undeliverable or unread email communication.

Should you need to change your email or postal address, please do so in your GEMSAS user account.

Please save the following email addresses to your safe sender list:

info@gemsas.edu.au, GEMSAS-noreply@vtac.edu.au, noreply@gemsas.edu.au

#### The My Emails page in your GEMSAS account should be checked regularly.

The following GEMSAS emails will be visible on the My Emails page:

- Confirmation of Registration, Submitted, Payment emails
- Emails from the Assessment team re: academic documents and/or education study claims
- Undeclared study and outcome emails
- Interview offer and/or Place Offer, only if the offer email is sent on behalf of the medical school by GEMSAS
- Unsuccessful notification for interview and place offers
- Courtesy reminders

#### The following emails will **NOT** be visible on the My Emails page:

- GEMSAS Rural background emails
- GEMSAS Deakin adjustment (bonus) emails
- Interview offer and/or Place Offer, if the offer email is sent directly from the medical school
- Email correspondence from info@gemsas.edu.au and GEMSAS.academic@vtac.edu.au
- Email correspondence sent directly from individual medical schools

#### Contact details for further enquiries



If you have further queries regarding the general application process, please contact GEMSAS (please note we are an email service only): <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a>. Please check the GEMSAS website and FAQs for details before submitting your query.

For detailed information on the GEMPASS Australia graduate entry\* courses, as well as university specific entry requirements, you should first check this Guide and the GEMSAS and school websites. Links to the school websites can be found at <a href="https://www.gemsas.edu.au/medical-schools">www.gemsas.edu.au/medical-schools</a>.

All GPA queries should be addressed to GEMSAS. Please check the GEMSAS website GPA FAQs and try the online GPA calculator before submitting your query - <a href="https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calc">https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calc</a>.

School-specific enquiries should be directed to the schools directly. Contact information can be found on the website at www.gemsas.edu.au/medical-schools and on page 109 of this Guide.

Information about the graduate entry medicine admissions process for GEMPASS Australia schools (GEMSAS) can be found on the website <a href="http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gemsas-processes">http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gemsas-processes</a>.

<sup>\*</sup> The University of Sydney, Monash University and Flinders University are not participating in GEMSAS. Applicants for places at these universities must apply directly to them. Applicants can visit their websites at <a href="http://www.sydney.edu.au/">http://www.monash.edu/</a> and <a href="http://www.sydney.edu.au/">www.flinders.edu.au/</a>.

# **Admission policies**

#### Offers

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept an offer of a place and offers not accepted by that date, according to the school's instructions, will lapse.



If an applicant declines an offer of a place, or allows their offer to lapse, they will not be considered for another place or receive another offer, in the 2025 intake.



If you have been offered a place in another course or by an institution not participating in GEMSAS and you intend to accept that place, then please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your application for all GEMPASS Australia courses as soon as possible.

#### **Deferral**

Deferral of a place is unlikely to be approved. However, some universities permit deferral, particularly to complete an Honours year. Please consult the schools' websites or discuss the possibility of being permitted to defer with the universities to which you wish to apply.

#### **Exclusion**

An applicant who has been excluded from any university must indicate this when they apply. The schools may contact applicants for further details on receipt of the application data.

# Admission and application irregularities

Applicants should be aware that the presentation of forged documents is a criminal offence in Australia and that universities may take appropriate action in such cases.

All tertiary study must be declared in the application. For the purpose of university admission, the withholding of information and the submission of incorrect or misleading information are deemed fraudulent. Actions taken in such cases may include cancellation of an application for admission, withdrawal of an offer of admission, or cancellation of an enrolment.

Applicants who submit fraudulent documents, or otherwise seek to gain an advantage by fraudulent means, or who engage in any misconduct during the application process may be banned from future applications through GEMSAS.

Only your first submitted application will be processed, regardless of which application has been paid for.

# Misconduct policy

Please see our website for further information.

# Schools' policies

Each university may have its own additional admission policies (which may include policies on prior or current studies, enrolment irregularities and/or transfers). To confirm if there are additional policies, review each school's entry in this Guide and the websites of the schools to which you intend to apply.

# **Diversity and Inclusion**

GEMPASS supports a culture of inclusivity and the provision of equivalent opportunities to access medical education. Enabling effective inclusion requires a collaborative effort by an applicant, the Medical School and the university. We ask that applicants read the Medical Deans Inclusive Medical Education Guidance. If you anticipate you will need particular support to participate in the medical program, it is important that you make contact with your preferred medical school promptly to discuss what reasonable adjustments are possible, if offered a place.

# **Refund policy**

The application fee is not refundable unless required by law. Therefore, you remain liable to pay the application fee even if you withdraw your application after having paid the fee, are not offered a place in a course, or you decline an offer of a place. The Australian Consumer Law, set out in Schedule 2 of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth), provides consumers with a number of protections including guarantees that cannot be excluded, restricted, or modified. This refund policy does not exclude, restrict or modify the rights you may have under the Australian Consumer Law or any other applicable laws. If you believe you have a right to claim a refund, please contact info@gemsas.edu.au.

# **Appeals process**

You are encouraged to commence your application as soon as possible, even if you do not have all the required documentation. You will be able to log back in and amend your application until you either submit your application or until the application closing date (at which time your application must be submitted). You are not considered an applicant until you have created your application online (i.e. registered and selected medicine, within the application period of 1 to 31 May of the current year), and have received a valid GEMSAS VTAC ID. GEMSAS Policies, including the GEMSAS Extenuating Circumstances Policy and Procedure, and the GEMSAS Appeals Policy and Procedure, only apply to medicine applicants with a valid current year GEMSAS VTAC ID.

#### Queries

If you have a query regarding your application, please contact <u>info@gemsas.edu.au</u> in the first instance. Please include your GAMSAT ID or VTAC ID in the email.

#### Appeals

If you wish to appeal a decision made by GEMSAS or VTAC relating to the processing of your application, please consult the <u>GEMSAS Appeals Policy and Procedure</u> for details.

Email the details of your appeal and any required accompanying documentation to <a href="mailto:gemsasappeals@gempass.org.au">gemsasappeals@gempass.org.au</a> with the subject heading "GEMSAS Appeal" and include your name and GAMSAT ID. Prior to submission, please ensure you have read the Policy and Procedure document and understand the decisions that can be appealed.

Please note that this Committee can only hear appeals against decisions made in the processing of your application. Appeals against decisions made by participating universities must be made to the individual university concerned.

#### **Extenuating Circumstances**

If you wish to request the extension of a deadline due to extenuating circumstances, please consult the <u>GEMSAS</u> <u>Extenuating Circumstances Policy and Procedure</u> for details.

Email the details of your request and any required accompanying documentation to <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> with the subject heading of "Extenuating circumstances" and your name and GAMSAT ID.

Please note that this only applies to requests relating to GEMSAS or VTAC deadlines. Requests relating to deadlines imposed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) or universities must be made to the organisation concerned.

# **Application Process**

Information in this section is generally common to all the schools but is subject to the specific requirements outlined in the school entries and on the school websites.

GEMSAS and the schools make every effort to ensure the accuracy of information provided in this Admission's Guide at the time of publication. However, applicants must consult the GEMSAS and university websites for more detailed and specific information and for updates.

#### There are three components of the application process:

- 1. GAMSAT
- 2. The application
- 3. Documentation

# • GAMSAT (<a href="https://gamsat.acer.org/">https://gamsat.acer.org/</a>)

The GAMSAT validity period has been changed from 2 years to 4 years. GAMSAT results obtained from different sittings are directly comparable and can be used when applying to universities for up to four consecutive years in Australia.

To apply in 2024 for entry in 2025, ONLY the following results can be used: September 2020, March 2021, September 2021, March 2022, September 2022, March 2023, September 2023 and March 2024.

All applicants for Commonwealth Supported Places and other domestic places at graduate entry schools (i.e. citizens/permanent residents of Australia and citizens of New Zealand) must have a current score on the Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT).

GAMSAT results are valid for four years. If you sit the September test in 2024 you may use the results obtained to apply in 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028, for a graduate entry course commencing 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 respectively.



There is a very helpful table on page 89 of this guide and information that shows the validity of all the GAMSAT tests at https://gamsat.acer.org/results/currency-of-results

Your GAMSAT results show a score for each of the three test Sections and an Overall Score. All GEMPASS Australia medical schools (except the University of Melbourne, The University of Queensland and the University of Notre Dame Australia Sydney and Fremantle) rank applicants using the Overall GAMSAT Score (with required minimum Section scores normally around 50). The University of Melbourne, The University of Queensland, the University of Notre Dame Australia Sydney and Fremantle, take an average of the three sections of the GAMSAT, rather than the Overall GAMSAT Score. The University of Wollongong uses the GAMSAT as a hurdle for selection, with a minimum Overall GAMSAT Score and minimum Section scores required. The acceptable GAMSAT scores may be different for each of the universities and may vary from year to year. When deciding whether or not to submit an application, you are advised to make sure that your GAMSAT scores fall within the acceptable ranges reported in the individual university entries in this Guide. You can evaluate your standing in relation to other candidates who sat GAMSAT in the same year as you did, by consulting the chart included with your Statement of Results. Please note that neither GEMSAS nor ACER staff have the authority to review individual GAMSAT transcripts or GAMSAT results or to offer advice on the likelihood of selection. GAMSAT candidates are responsible for determining their eligibility to apply.



Registration for the GAMSAT and application for admission to the graduate programs are separate processes. Any GAMSAT specific questions should be directed to ACER who manage the GAMSAT test.

### 2 Application

Applications are made online through the <u>ApplyGEMSAS.edu.au</u> website. There is a link to this on the home page of the <u>GEMSAS.edu.au</u> website.

Applicants are selected for interview based on one or more of the following criteria:

- performance in GAMSAT;
- performance in a qualifying/key degree (as indicated by GPA);
- performance in a special application or written application where required;
- performance in the Casper test where required.

The Australian National University and The University of Western Australia combine both standardised GAMSAT and standardised GPA when ranking applicants for interview.

Deakin University (General Stream) combines the first two criteria when ranking applicants for interview. The GPA is weighted.

Griffith University ranks applicants for interview based on selections rank derived from a 50/50 combination of an unweighted GPA (converted to a percentage) and the overall GAMSAT score.

Macquarie University uses a minimum weighted GPA of 5.0/7.0 and a minimum score of 50 in each of the three sections and 50 overall in the GAMSAT as hurdles; then ranks applicants based on a selection rank derived from a 50/50 combination of standardised weighted GPA and standardised overall GAMSAT score.

The University of Melbourne combines the first two criteria when ranking applicants for interview. The University of Melbourne uses an unweighted GAMSAT.

The University of Notre Dame Australia (Fremantle) and The University of Notre Dame Australia (Sydney) rank applicants for interview by the standardised result of GPA, unweighted GAMSAT, Casper, and bonus points, weighted 30:30:30:10. Interviewees are ranked for offer by a standardised combination of the GAMSAT, GPA, Casper, and bonus points scores (50%) and interview (50%).

The University of Queensland uses a minimum unweighted GPA of 5.0/7.0 and a minimum score of 50 in each of the three sections of the GAMSAT as qualifying hurdles, then ranks applicants for interview based on selections rank derived from a 50/50 combination of an unweighted GPA (converted to a percentage) and an unweighted average GAMSAT score rounded to six decimal places. If required, GPA will be used as a tie breaker.

The University of Wollongong uses a minimum unweighted GPA of 5.5/7.0 and a minimum score of 50 in each of the three sections and 50 overall in the GAMSAT as qualifying hurdles, then ranks applicants for interview using 50/50 combination of Casper score and UOW MD Admissions bonuses.

# Supporting documentation

Supporting documentation will be required if:

- You studied at a non-ARTS<sup>1</sup> university at any time.
- You have an Australian rural background (see page 19)
- You need to supply supporting documentation required by individual schools

When you complete your Application Form, you will be presented with relevant documentation requirement information which you must read carefully. Follow the instructions on the **Documentation page** of the Application to submit your documentation, either by upload or via email.

- Academic transcripts and English Language Competency documentation (if required) must be uploaded.
- Rural background and Deakin Adjustment (bonus) supporting documentation (if required) must be emailed with the relevant coversheet, to the email address detailed on the coversheet. Note that there are two different

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Appendix A

email addresses to which documents are to be sent.

You can view the documentation requirements and any relevant coversheets, that you will be required to submit with supporting documentation, on the **Documentation page** in the application but will only be able to access the upload function and coversheets once you have submitted and paid for your application. Failure to include all requested documents may disadvantage you.

Please submit **only** those documents that have been specifically requested and are in accordance with the documentation guidelines. Please note that we do not use hard copy transcripts where results are available via ARTS, and we will not accept transcripts provided as clarification regarding study not shown in ARTS. Please ensure you follow the instructions on the **Documentation** page (and on the coversheets) if applicable, to ensure your documentation is provided using the correct submission method.

If any of your tertiary study is from a non-ARTS university please remember to upload your official transcript(s) uploaded no later than 5:00pm your time on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (for completed study) and Wednesday 17
July 2024 (for current study). You must also include transcripts for exchange study and study for which you may
have received credit towards another degree.

**Note:** The University of Notre Dame is now an ARTS institution, so if you have studied at Notre Dame GEMSAS will attempt to retrieve your results electronically, even if you previously provided documentation in the past. You will only need to provide transcripts if specifically requested by GEMSAS staff during the assessment process.

Transcripts can only be uploaded once you have submitted and paid for your application. Log into your GEMSAS account to find the upload document function, documentation requirements guide and follow the instructions provided.



Any qualification undertaken in a language other than English must be documented by the original transcript, accompanied by an officially translated original (by a NAATI translator), in English. Scans of **original hard copy** translations (featuring the translator's original stamp and signature on every page) can be uploaded in your account. Please see the *Academic Document Submission Guidelines* for instructions on supplying digital translation documents (which feature a digitally inserted stamp or QR code).



Extra documentation requirements for study in China and India: China:

- Original Transcript in both Chinese and English Language
- Original Degree Certificate that is "Awarded according to the Regulations Concerning Academic Degrees in the People's Republic of China (中华人民共和国学位条例)" both in English and Chinese Language
- If you have completed a Masters degree we will need original documentation (either official degree certificate or graduation certificate) that shows you completed/defended your thesis both in English and Chinese Language. In addition to the above.
- \*English Translations must either be issued by your school or NAATI Translations.
- \*Please note if you do not provide **all of the above** it may delay the assessment of your application.

#### India:

- Unconsolidated Marksheets including any backlogs Marksheets must be issued by the awarding University NOT the college.
- Official finalised completion certificate (not provisional) as issued by the awarding university (in addition to the marksheets/transcripts).
- \*Please note if you do not provide all of the above it may delay the assessment of your application.

- 2. Applicants to Deakin University who are applying for any of the adjustments (bonuses) listed on pages 36 to 39 must email their documents, with the relevant Deakin adjustment (bonus) coversheet, no later than 5:00pm your time on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024, to GEMSAS-Deakinbonus@vtac.edu.au
- 3. Supporting documents, which must be provided **DIRECTLY to the university**, for:
  - The University of Melbourne:

Doctor of Medicine applicants applying via GEMSAS wishing to be considered for Graduate Access Melbourne (GAM) must complete the GAM application form including uploading associated documentation at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/dvj8

Due date: Applications must be submitted no later than 5:00pm EST on Friday 31 May 2024.

The University of Queensland prerequisite requirement:

Prerequisite assessments must be submitted directly to the University of Queensland, further details can be found here.

Due date: Wednesday 1st of May 2024.

The University of Wollongong MD Admissions bonuses:

UOW Applicants wishing to be considered for any UOW MD Admissions bonuses must complete the <u>Admissions Bonus Form</u>, including uploading associated documentation at this <u>link</u>. More information is available in the UOW section of this guide or at the UOW Doctor of Medicine website.

Due date: Monday 17th June 2024.

4. All applicants who have completed the rural background questions in the Application Form must **email** their supporting documentation, with the Coversheet, to <a href="mailto:GEMSAS-rural@vtac.edu.au">GEMSAS-rural@vtac.edu.au</a>

Note that the supporting documentation must be received via email by no later than 5:00pm your time on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Please ensure the Rural Background coversheet, which is generated when you have paid for your application, is attached in the email.

This is in addition to any university-specific documents requested in this section and listed in the school entry section.

Please refer to the 'Rurality' section on page 19 of this guide.



If you do not provide any required additional documentation, you will not be eligible for consideration for the category/sub-quota concerned.

# Bachelor degree and postgraduate study

All applicants must have completed, or be in the final year, of a Bachelor or Honours degree. Undergraduate and postgraduate Australian degrees must be from a Commonwealth-accredited institution as listed by TEQSA (see <a href="http://www.teqsa.gov.au/national-register">http://www.teqsa.gov.au/national-register</a>). (NB. University of Wollongong require that qualifying/key degrees are from a University). Overseas degrees must be recognised by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR) or UK ENIC (previously UK NARIC) as comparable to an Australian Bachelor or Postgraduate degree. Your qualifications will be assessed for comparability as part of your application process.



Please do not contact the Australian Department of Education (DE) for assessment of your degree.

For those in the final year of study, satisfactory completion of the degree in 2024 will be a condition of entry. Note that if you cannot complete and provide evidence of completion of your degree in the 2024 calendar year, any offer you have received that is conditional upon completion of your current degree may be withdrawn.

Normally a bachelor degree of 3 years full time equivalent (FTE) study is required, this study can be part-time study and does not need to be completed on a full time basis.

Applicants enrolled in a two-year degree, a three or four year embedded degree, graduate entry programs or one-year conversion degree, or those who have completed a higher degree without a prior Bachelor degree should consult their preferred school/s to ascertain eligibility. Note that not all schools accept such degrees. Please see individual school entries in this Guide.

# **Grade Point Average (GPA)**

GEMSAS will calculate a Grade Point Average (GPA) from electronic copies of academic transcripts (from ARTS institutions) or transcripts provided by the applicant. Scans of original hard-copy transcripts or an official and secure electronic copy of your transcript will be needed if you have completed your degree or any part of your qualifying/key degree at an overseas university or any university not included in the list of ARTS institutions in Appendix A..

Please note that we do not use hard copy transcripts where results are available via ARTS, and we will not accept transcripts provided as clarification regarding study not shown in ARTS.

Applicants may wish to calculate their GPA according to the instructions on the GEMSAS website (<a href="www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations">www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations</a>). A GPA calculator is available on the application page (<a href="https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calc">https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calc</a>) for use. Please note that any GPA calculated by an applicant will be an estimated GPA and used only for the information of the applicant.

No preference is given to graduates with particular Bachelor degrees. GEMPASS Australia encourages individuals from diverse educational backgrounds who will bring to the profession a variety of talents and interests.

**Exception:** Applicants to Medicine at the University of Queensland must have successfully completed approved prerequisite studies in "Integrative Cell and Tissue Biology" and "Systems Physiology". See the UQ school entry for details.

The GPA indicates the level of performance in the qualifying/key degree. There is no differentiation of GPA between institutions or courses. It should be emphasised that a science major is not a prerequisite, and that academic excellence in other areas, such as the humanities and social sciences, is encouraged and recognised.

The GEMSAS medical schools have considered options for changing GPA methodology, recognising the impact of COVID-19 on 2020 study. As a result a number of schools have made changes, deciding whether or not to include 2020 results in GPA calculations. See the school entry section in the guide for changes/updates.

Applicants who are applying for GEMPASS Australia Medical Schools with a University of Melbourne degree where there are COVID-19 impacted grades should be aware that these COVID-19 impacted grades will not be transferred electronically to GEMSAS via ARTS unless the applicant has requested this change at <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/w26i">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/w26i</a> in the following timeframe:

- If you are an applicant who has already completed a University of Melbourne degree where there were Covid affected grades, the request to have Covid affected grades included in the ARTS transfer must be submitted at least 10 business days before submitting your GEMSAS application.
- If you are an applicant who has discontinued a University of Melbourne degree where there were Covid affected grades, the request to have Covid affected grades included in the ARTS transfer must be submitted at least 10 business days before submitting your GEMSAS application.
- If you are an applicant who is still undertaking a University of Melbourne degree where there are Covid affected grades, the request to have Covid affected grades included in the ARTS transfer must be submitted by **Friday 21 June.**

If the applicant chooses not to request this change, GEMSAS and medical schools will not be able to view these results via ARTS and therefore they will not be included in GPA calculations\*

\*Exception: Applicants to Medicine at the University of Melbourne who have completed/are completing a University of Melbourne undergraduate degree where subjects were undertaken in 2021, will have all 2021 results included in GPA calculations (including other relevant admissions assessments) for the MD at Melbourne, even if they choose not to have these results transferred via ARTS. Please refer to the Doctor of Medicine Selection guidelines at <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/2my6">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/2my6</a> for further information.

#### **Interviews**

The interview\* is designed to assess qualities considered by the schools to be associated with success in both medical school and later practice, and is conducted by trained interviewers. Academic performance is not discussed at the interview. No domestic applicant will receive more than one interview offer from a medical school participating in GEMSAS in the 2024 admissions round, for entry in 2025. The interview score will be standardised for use by lower preferenced schools, if you are not successful in gaining an offer of a place at the school at which you were interviewed.

An exception is for applicants who qualify for the Guaranteed Entry Pathway, MD Rural Pathway or the Indigenous MD Student Entry Pathway at the University of Melbourne. Guaranteed Entry Pathway, MD Rural Pathway and Indigenous MD Student Entry Pathway applicants will be considered by the University of Melbourne separately to the GEMSAS process and must apply directly to the University of Melbourne in accordance with instructions available at

# https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor-of-medicine/how-to-apply/

All other shortlisted, eligible applicants will be interviewed. Note that if Guaranteed Entry Full Fee eligible applicants wish to be considered for CSP and Bonded Medical Places at the University of Melbourne, they must apply via GEMSAS. If MD Rural Pathway applicants wish to also be considered for a non-bonded CSP and/or place outside of the rural pathway, they must also apply via GEMSAS. If Guaranteed Entry Full Fee, MD Rural Pathway or Indigenous MD Student Entry Pathway eligible applicants wish to be considered by the other medical schools, they are advised to consult the relevant entries in this Guide for application details.

Selected applicants receive an invitation to interview by letter or email. This invitation must be presented on arrival at the medical school for an in-person interview, together with a valid passport or current photo-bearing driver's licence for identification purposes.

Some schools require that you supply a passport photograph prior to interview. If this applies to you, you will be notified when interview invitations are issued, with instructions on how and when to submit your digital photo.

Applicants must meet all expenses associated with attending an interview.

Applicants unsuccessful in receiving an interview at any of the medical schools they applied to will be notified by email by the GEMSAS team. Applicants who were not interviewed will not participate in further processing.

#### \*Interview dates may be subject to change



If you are eligible to be made an offer at a University that did not interview you, the University reserves the right to call you for an informal conversation prior to offers being made. This is to ensure that the applicant is aware of specific course and University requirements. This conversation does not constitute an interview or indicate an offer of a place.

#### **Offers**

Selection into graduate entry medicine is based on up to six criteria:

- performance in GAMSAT;
- performance as indicated by GPA. Please see school entries for details about qualifying/key degrees and GPA calculations;
- performance in interview;
- performance in a special application or written application where required;
- performance in the Casper test where required;
- eligibility for ranking bonuses for some schools.

The way in which each university combines these criteria when making their final offers varies. For more information refer to the individual university entries which begin on page 25 of this Guide. Alternatively, you can consult each university's website for detailed information. Links are available from <a href="http://www.gemsas.edu.au/medical-schools/">http://www.gemsas.edu.au/medical-schools/</a>.

A successful application may lead to an offer of one of a range of places, including bonded and full-fee places. When you apply you will be asked (for each school on your preference list), to choose (and for some schools, rank) the types of places you will be prepared to accept. Selection is based on ranked lists and quotas. The quota (i.e. number of places) available for each offer type is restricted. To maximise your chances of receiving an offer at the schools of your choice, consider listing all types of places. If you omit (for instance) the Bonded Medical Program (BMP) offer type and you are ranked to get a BMP offer, it will not be made and you'll drop down to your next preferred school for consideration. Please read carefully all the information about bonded places on the DoH website at <a href="https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/bonded-medical-program">https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/bonded-medical-program</a>.

When allocations are being made, schools will allocate quotas for each offer type. The allocation will be made using that school's ranked list in order: CSP, BMP and FEE (if applicable). Some schools will ask you to rank all offer types and some will just want you to indicate which offer types you are prepared to accept if offered. To list only one offer type means you limit the available places that can be offered to you.

#### Individual School Details:

- Australian National University (ANU) will allocate place types based on the ranking of the applicant and their preferences.
- **For Deakin University** you may specify the types of places you wish to be considered for. You will not be considered for a type of place that you have not listed. Offers will be made in the following order: CSP and BMP, with the most highly ranked applicants being offered CSP places and so on down the merit order until all vacancies are filled.
- For Griffith University you must specify the types of places you wish to be considered for in your preferred order. You must also note your preference (1 and 2 or no preference) for the Gold Coast campus and the Sunshine Coast Health Institute teaching location. Allocations will be according to applicant rank and preferences, however your preference is not guaranteed.
- For Macquarie University all places are Full-Fee paying and will be allocated based on the ranking of the applicant.
- For the University of Melbourne you may specify the types of places you wish to be considered for. You will not be considered for a type of place that you have not listed, however no consideration is given to the order of preferred offer types listed when offers are made. Offers will be made in the following order: CSP, BMP, and FEE, with the most highly ranked applicants being offered CSP places and so on down the merit order until all vacancies are filled. It is important that applicants who are not in a position to pay for a full fee (FEE) paying place DO NOT list this type of place in their application for the University of Melbourne. Once an applicant is offered a FEE place it is not possible to swap into a CSP or BMP.
- For The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle and Sydney, you must specify the types of places you wish to be considered for. You will not be considered for a place you have not selected. Offers will be made in the following order: CSP first and BMP second for Fremantle campus. CSP first, BMP second and Full-Fee third for Sydney campus.
- For The University of Queensland you may specify the types of places you wish to be considered for, however no consideration is given to preferred offer type when offers are made. Offers will be made in the order of CSP first and BMP second.
- For The University of Western Australia you may specify the types of places you wish to be considered for, however no consideration is given to preferred offer type when offers are made. Offers will be made in the following order: CSP then BMP.
- For the University of Wollongong you must specify the types of places you wish to be considered for in your preferred order. Place type allocations will be according to applicant rank and preference. You must also note your willingness to be allocated to a specific campus, responding yes/no in the application for the Shoalhaven, Wollongong, or Southern Highlands campuses. You must also specify yes/no if you wish to be considered for the Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track.



- If you decline an offer of a place, you will not be considered for another place or receive another offer.
- If you have been offered a place in another course or by an institution not participating in GEMSAS and you intend to accept that place, then please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your application for all GEMPASS Australia courses as soon as possible.

# **Quotas**

Each university has a quota for the year's intake of domestic students (Australian citizens/permanent residents and New Zealand citizens). This includes Commonwealth supported non-bonded places (CSP) and Commonwealth supported bonded places (BMP) as well as Australian full fee places (Macquarie, Melbourne and Notre Dame only).

Most schools are obliged to fill at least 25% of all Commonwealth Supported Places with students from a rural background. Rural background sub-quotas can be filled from a combination of offer types and are not restricted to only bonded places.

#### Quotas for 2025 are expected to be:

School places	CSP	BMP CSP	Other	Total
Australian National University	64*	26*	Up to 30 * international *Approximately 40 of the total available places are reserved for students who come through an ANU undergraduate pathway program	120
Deakin University	97^	39^	Up to 15 international*  ^ 30 places are reserved for the Rural Training Stream (CSP and BMP CSP, subject to rankings) in addition to the minimum 25% requirement.  ^ Up to 5% of CSP places will be held for Indigenous applicants who apply through the Indigenous Entry Stream.	151
Griffith University	142*	56*	Up to 35 international  *80 Medical Science Pathway including 20 students from University of the Sunshine Coast B Medical Science (28.5% are BMP places)  * included in total CSP and BMP places	233
Macquarie University	N/A	N/A	50 full-fee 20 international	70
The University of Melbourne	165*	65*^	- 45 domestic full-fee* - 70 international full-fee* - Guaranteed Entry (no quota) - Indigenous MD Student Entry Pathway (no quota) - ^30 places are reserved for MD Rural Pathway applicants who apply outside of GEMSAS and 35 places will be allocated via the GEMSAS application process	*355
The University of Notre Dame Australia (Fremantle)	81*	29*	Up to 20 international full-fee*	130
The University of Notre Dame Australia (Sydney)	43*	17*	Up to 60 domestic full-fee*  Up to 60 international full-fee*	180
The University of Queensland	114*	46*	190* international (including UQ-Ochsner) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Pathway (no set quota)  ^Additional places are available for provisional entry for school leavers (including rural and BMP quotas)	350*
The University of Western Australia	74*	29*	30 international	133
The University of Wollongong	60*	24	30 CSP* 30 CSP (rural end-to-end)* 15 International	99

<sup>\*</sup>These quotas are indicative only and are subject to change.

# BMP - Bonded Medical Program

The Bonded Medical Program (BMP) is a Federal Government initiative which aims to provide more Australian trained doctors where there are workplace shortages – particularly (but not limited to) rural and remote Australia.

Information about this scheme can be found on the Australian Government Department of Health website (<a href="https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/bonded-medical-program">https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/bonded-medical-program</a>). The BMP is open to all first year medical students who are Australian citizens, permanent residents of Australia or Australian permanent humanitarian visa holders.

Any applicant who has previously studied in a Bonded Medical Place at any University would need to have discharged any obligations they had under their agreement with the Government, including repaying any amounts owing, before being eligible to be offered a medicine CSP or BMP via GEMSAS. If you have previously studied in a BMP, please check and confirm that you are eligible prior to submitting your application.

# Applicants in special categories

Applicants in the following categories should refer to the medical school websites, the entry requirements section (from page 25) and on pages 10-12 and 19:

- Combined Degree applicants;
- Indigenous applicants;
- Rural resident applicants;
- Other special sub-quota applicants.

# Rurality

Please note documentation requirements below and ensure your supporting documentation meets them.

If you have resided in an Australian rural area, MM 2 to MM 7, for **5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively**, you may be eligible for consideration in rural schemes and sub-quotas. You will need to complete the Rurality question in the Application Form and submit supporting documentation. For information about rural sub quotas or bonus points please view the schools entry requirements pages.

The Modified Monash Model (MMM) is how the Department of Health define whether a location is a city, rural, remote or very remote. The model measures remoteness and population size on a scale of Modified Monash (MM) category MM 1 to MM 7. The Modified Monash Model (MMM) 2019 has been updated to align with the latest available census data. The model was developed to better target health workforce programs to attract health professionals to more remote and smaller communities. The MMM classifies metropolitan, regional, rural and remote areas according to geographical remoteness, as defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), and town size. The most recent classification (Modified Monash Model 2019), based on 2016 census data, is the one by which we will assess your rurality.

Applicants who submit fraudulent documents, or otherwise seek to gain an advantage by fraudulent means, or who engage in any misconduct during the application process may be banned from future applications through GEMSAS. The submission of incorrect or misleading information is deemed fraudulent. Actions taken in such cases may include cancellation of an application for admission, withdrawal of an offer of admission, or cancellation of an enrolment.

The Graduate Entry Medical School Admissions System (GEMSAS) will use these guidelines in the processing of Rurality Claims.

The Modified Monash Model (MMM 2019) is made up of 7 categories:

- MM 1 Metropolitan areas
- MM 2 Regional centres
- MM 3 Large rural towns
- MM 4 Medium rural towns
- MM 5 Small rural towns
- MM 6 Remote communities
- MM 7 Very remote communities

If you have resided (physically lived) in a MM 2 to MM 7 area for **5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively** and wish to be considered for rural schemes and sub-quotas, you will need to provide documentary evidence.

The Australian Government currently defines 'Rural origin' as residency for at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively in a MM2-7 area.

You can check your MMM status at (select **Modified Monash Model 2019**): <a href="https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/health-workforce-locator/health-workfor

# Acceptable supporting documents include:

You, the applicant, must provide an official statutory declaration in your name. If you are providing bills or invoices in a parent's name, from when you were under 18, then **both** a statutory declaration from a parent and one from yourself will be required. The statutory declaration/s must be accompanied by either:

- 1. Professional supporting letters from a GP/dentist, bank, school, university or workplace.
  - Professional supporting letters must be dated, signed, include your rural residential address and rural address history, and the dates that you resided at the address.

- The professional supporting letters must detail how you are known to the author of the letter and you must be known in a professional capacity e.g. patient of the GP or student of the school/university.
- The GP practice/school/bank/work place/university should be in or around the same rural area you are providing support for residing in. If not, the letter needs to clearly detail how the author is able to confirm the rural address history and time periods. The professional letter of support must be official on letterhead and include, if from a GP their AHPRA registration number or official practice stamp.

OR;

- 2. Documents to prove residence such as invoices for telephone, utilities, or bank statements showing your (or your family's) address, can be provided.
  - If you were over 18 at the time, bills and invoices will only be accepted if in your name.
  - Rates notices are not acceptable.
  - An online printed invoice will only be acceptable if dated the year it was issued. E.g. a bank statement must be dated the year you are supporting (i.e. dated 19 July 2020 if you are supporting the year 2020, it cannot be dated 2024 if you are supporting the year 2020).

The professional letters of support and official statutory declarations must include the rural address history and time periods.

#### Please note:

- Residing is where you physically reside/live. If residing on campus this is taken into consideration and if not a
  campus in a rural location, it is not considered rural time and cannot be claimed as rural residing. If you do not
  physically live at the claimed rural location it will not be considered as rural residing, it does not matter where
  your family or primary residence is. We will only consider rural locations where you physically reside. Consecutive
  means "follow one after another without an interruption".
  - Please ensure you claim and support rural locations where you have physically resided. See the Rural background document guide for more information and examples.
- If you reside (physically live) more than 5 years consecutively in a rural location and prior to or after this time, reside in a non-rural location, you should not detail this non-rural time in your application nor provide documentation to support the family home where you have not physically resided. You should only claim the time you physically resided in a rural area and only provide supporting documentation for this time. Ensure the time is consecutive if consecutive has been claimed.
- If you reside (physically live) in a rural location and study via distance education, while remaining at your rural location, and this time is included in meeting the rural criteria, you must provide a letter from the university to confirm that the studies were via distance education.
- All rural residing should be included in the online application but supporting documentation only needs to support 5 years consecutive or 10 years cumulative rural residing.
- School reports are not sufficient documentation as we need to clearly see your rural residential address.
- Please ensure your documentation supports 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively of rural residing and includes the cover sheet you will print off when you submit your online application.
- You cannot claim time in the future as part of the 5 or 10 years, as there is no way to establish proof that you will continue to reside in a rural setting.
- Time spent at a holiday home (second residence) or during school holidays in a rural setting, will not be considered.
- If selecting 5 years consecutive then the supporting documentation must support 5 full years (documentation is required for every year) and must be consecutive.
- If selecting 10 years cumulative then the supporting documentation must support 10 full years and documentation will be needed for each time period, one document for the start of each time period and one for the end of each time period (documentation is required for every year).
- An official statutory declaration template must be used, either your state or territory one or a Commonwealth one. You can find these by googling statutory declaration.

Please email your supporting documentation with the Rural coversheet to GEMSAS-rural@vtac.edu.au

Note that the supporting documentation must be emailed no later than 5pm your time on Monday 17th June 2024.

Please read the Rural background Document Guide, found on the Documentation page in the application and on the website, to assist you to understand the expectations that GEMSAS has regarding the documentation. The guide also provides examples of acceptable wording for the statutory declaration/s and professional supporting letters.

#### **Emailed documentation:**

- must include the Rural coversheet, supporting documentation and an official statutory declaration completed by you, or it will not be assessed
- subject line should include your full name and GAMSAT ID/VTAC ID
- should only be submitted once.

If you apply for the Rural background and are found **ineligible**, you will be emailed and informed of this. We do not send confirmation emails if your rural documentation was found to be eligible. You can log into your GEMSAS account and see your rural background outcome, on the MyApplication page, **in early to mid-August.** 

# **How to Apply**

# Complete the online application form

To apply for admission to a course commencing in 2025, you must complete and submit the online Application Form – on the <u>ApplyGEMSAS</u> website – by no later than **5pm AEST/3pm AWST Friday 31**<sup>st</sup> **May 2024**. Please do not leave submission until the last minute as many others will also do this and system overloading can impact your ability to meet the deadline.

Only your first submitted medicine application will be processed, regardless of which application has been paid for.

#### Late applications will NOT be accepted.

The application fee is paid by credit card, when completing the online application form. You do not need to complete your payment at the time of submission but must do so by **5pm AEST/3pm AWST Friday 7**<sup>th</sup> **June**.

In 2024, for 2025 entry, the application fee is AUD\$264.

Don't forget to include <u>info@gemsas.edu.au</u>, <u>GEMSAS-noreply@vtac.edu.au</u>, <u>noreply@gemsas.edu.au</u> as trusted email addresses, to ensure messages from the GEMSAS team are not treated as spam and sent to your Junk folder. We cannot be held responsible for any email not reaching or not being read by you.

# 2 Upload/Email your supporting documentation

GEMSAS will not be accepting any hardcopy documentation. After completing the online Application Form and making your payment, you may need to upload and/or email supporting documents. You will be presented with relevant documentation requirement information which you must read carefully. Follow the instructions on the **Documentation page** in the application on how to submit your documentation, either by upload or via email.

- Academic transcripts and English Language Competency documentation (if required) must be uploaded through your GEMSAS account.
- Rural background and Deakin Adjustment (bonus) supporting documentation (if required) must be emailed with
  the relevant coversheet, to the email address detailed on the coversheet.
   Note that there are two different email addresses to which documents are to be sent.
  - Documentation without a relevant coversheet will not be processed or assessed.

Please upload and/or email **only** those documents that have been specifically requested and are in accordance with the documentation guidelines. Please note that we do not use hard copy transcripts where results are available via ARTS, and we will not accept transcripts provided as clarification regarding study not shown in ARTS. Please ensure you follow the instructions on the Documentation page (and on the coversheets) to ensure your documentation is provided using the correct submission method.

All additional documentation must be uploaded and/or emailed according to the dates listed below and must adhere to the very strict documentation guidelines. Wherever possible they should be provided sooner rather than later. Please refer to the information below about where you need to send the required documentation.

#### Upload/email documentation requirements, if applicable (see below for further information and due dates):

- Education documentation (e.g. transcripts, exchange study etc.) upload in your GEMSAS account, My Applications page
- English Language Competency documentation upload in your GEMSAS account, My Applications page
- Rural background email with coversheet to GEMSAS-rural@vtac.edu.au
- Deakin adjustment (bonus) email with coversheet to GEMSAS-Deakinbonus@vtac.edu.au

#### ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMPETENCY DOCUMENTATION

Due date: Uploaded no later than 5:00pm your time on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (for completed study academic transcripts) and Wednesday 17 July 2024 (for current study academic transcripts)

If any of your tertiary studies were undertaken at a university <u>NOT</u> listed in <u>Appendix A</u> (as an institution whose results can be retrieved through ARTS), you MUST upload your official academic transcripts for all such studies. **Note:** supporting documents for any study at Diploma level and below are only required if that study has contributed to a Bachelor level or

higher qualification. You can upload your transcripts in your GEMSAS account once you have submitted and paid for your application.

Only **one** set of transcripts is required to complete your GEMSAS application, even if you are applying for multiple applications across Medicine, Dentistry and Optometry.

If there has been no change to your education history and you applied through GEMSAS within the last two years you do not need to provide GEMSAS with your academic documents again. You will be contacted should GEMSAS require any further academic documentation.

**Note:** The University of Notre Dame is now an ARTS institution, so if you have studied at Notre Dame GEMSAS will attempt to retrieve your results electronically, even if you previously provided documentation in the past. You will only need to provide transcripts if specifically requested by GEMSAS staff during the assessment process.

Please refer to your **Documentation** page in the application for the full Academic Document Guide.



Any qualification undertaken in a language other than English must be documented by the original transcript, accompanied by an officially translated original (by a NAATI translator), in English. Scans of **original hard copy** translations (featuring the translator's original stamp and signature on every page) can be uploaded in your account. Please see the *Academic Document Submission Guidelines* for instructions on supplying digital translation documents (which feature a digitally inserted stamp or QR code).

#### Extra documentation requirements for study in China and India:

#### China:



- Original Transcript in both Chinese and English Language
- Original Degree Certificate that is "Awarded according to the Regulations Concerning Academic Degrees in the People's Republic of China (中华人民共和国学位条例)" both in English and Chinese Language
- If you have completed a Masters degree we will need original documentation (either official degree certificate or graduation certificate) that shows you completed/defended your thesis both in English and Chinese Language, in addition to the above.
- \*English Translations must either be issued by your school or NAATI Translations.
- \*Please note if you do not provide all of the above it may delay the assessment of your application.

#### India:

- Unconsolidated Marksheets including any backlogs Marksheets must be issued by the awarding University NOT the college.
- Official finalised completion certificate (not provisional) as issued by the awarding university (in addition to the marksheets/transcripts)
- \*Please note if you do not provide all of the above it may delay the assessment of your application.

#### **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** (if required)

The universities listed on pages 10 to 12 require applicants to submit additional documents.

Additional supporting documentation for Deakin University should be emailed with the relevant coversheet, as outlined on pages 12 and 36 to 39, to <a href="mailed-ema



Additional supporting documentation for the University of Melbourne: Doctor of Medicine applicants wishing to be considered for <u>Graduate Access Melbourne (GAM)</u> must complete the <u>GAM Application Form</u> including uploading associated documentation at <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/dvi8">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/dvi8</a>.

Due date: Applications must be submitted no later than 5pm EST on Friday 31 May 2024

Additional supporting documentation for the University of Queensland assessment of prerequisite equivalency, as outlined on pages 12 and 70.

Due date: Wednesday 1st of May 2024

Additional supporting documentation for the University of Wollongong MD Admissions Bonuses, including completion of the UOW MD Admissions Bonus Form and uploading associated documentation at this <u>link</u>, as outlined on pages 12 and 80 to 82.

Due date: The Bonus Form must be completed, and all documentary evidence submitted to UOW, by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR APPLICANTS FROM A RURAL BACKGROUND

Due date: Emailed no later than 5:00pm your time on Monday 17th June 2024

All applicants who have completed the **rural background questions** in the Application Form, including those applying for the Deakin Rural Training Stream, must email their supporting documentation with the Rural coversheet to <u>GEMSAS-rural@vtac.edu.au</u>

# **AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (ANU)** SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PSYCHOLOGY

Contact details:	Telephone	(02) 6125 1304 OR (02) 6125 5605		
contact details:	Email	admissions.smp@anu.edu.au		
	Web	https://health.anu.edu.au/study/doctor-medicine-and-surgery		
Places Available in 2025	CSP	64*		
	ВМР	26*		
	International	Up to 30*		
		*approximately 40 of the total available places are reserved for students who come through an ANU undergraduate pathway program		
Doctor of Medicine and Surgery	The Medicinae ac Chirurgiae Doctoranda (MChD), Latin for Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, is a comprehensive and varied four year program for graduate students looking to enter the rewardin field of medicine. It aims to produce graduates who are committed to compassionate, ethical hea care and the expansion of medical knowledge. The MChD is a Level 9 Extended Masters qualification as defined by the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF).			
	The School of Medicine and Psychology provides our students the opportunity to gain clinical experience across many of our teaching locations, including Canberra, Sydney, rural locations in NSW, the Northern Territory, and overseas.			
Qualifying Degree/s	Applicants must have completed a Bachelor degree or be completing the final year of a Bachelor			

degree at the time of application.

The Bachelor degree must be an AQF Level 7 qualification (at minimum) and must be comprised of at least three full-time equivalent years (3.0 FTE) worth of study.

One and two-year graduate entry Bachelor Degrees will be considered only where the applicant has previously completed an AQF Level 7 Bachelor Degree comprised of at least 3.0 FTE worth of study.

Two-year accelerated Bachelor degrees (i.e. where 3.0 FTE worth of study is fast-tracked over two years) will be accepted if the degree is due to be completed by 31 December in the year of application.

The ANU does not accept conversion degrees (any undergraduate qualification below 2FTE standard duration). In addition, ANU will not accept Bachelor degrees that include more than 1.0 FTE of credit from previous studies undertaken below AQF Level 7 (e.g. a Bachelor degree containing prior credit from a TAFE certificate/diploma).

Bachelor degrees completed in Australia must be from a Commonwealth-accredited institution. Bachelor degrees completed overseas must be from a recognised institution and must be equivalent to an Australian Bachelor degree, as determined by the Australian Government Department of Education.

The ANU welcomes graduates from a variety of undergraduate backgrounds and considers all applicants equally. There is no preferred Bachelor degree or prerequisite subjects for entry to the MChD program.

Applicants who have completed a higher-level qualification but do not hold a recognised Bachelor degree are not eligible for consideration.

Standalone Honours, Graduate Diplomas and/or Masters by Coursework qualifications will only be accepted as 'key degrees' if the applicant has already completed a recognised Bachelor degree prior to undertaking the higher-level study.

Applicants whose Bachelor degree was completed prior to 31st May 2014 will need to meet further study requirements to be eligible to apply. Please read the 'Currency of Qualification' section for more information.

#### **GPA Calculation**

The ANU uses a weighted GPA calculation for admission to the MChD program. This means your most recent results are weighted more heavily:

- Final GPA Year (most recent) = Weighted x3
- Final-1 GPA Year (2nd most recent) = Weighted x2
- Final-2 GPA Year (3rd most recent) = Weighted x1

A minimum weighted GPA of 5.0 is required to be considered for interview.

The GPA calculation is based on three years of full-time equivalent study (3.0 FTE) in your most recent eligible degree (or combination of degrees, if applicable). For the purpose of the GPA calculation, eligible degrees include Bachelor, Honours, Graduate Diploma and Masters by Coursework programs. Course results from eligible degrees will be included in the GPA calculation if the degree is already completed or due to be completed by 31 December in the year of application.

If your most recent eligible degree comprises less than 3.0 FTE worth of study, course results from your next-most-recent eligible degree(s) may be used to make up the remainder of the 3.0 FTE. For example, if an applicant has completed a 1 year standalone Honours degree after their Bachelor degree, their GPA would be calculated using 1.0 FTE worth of results from the Honours program (Final GPA Year) and the remaining 2.0 FTE worth of results would be taken from the last two years of the Bachelor degree (Final-1 and Final-2 GPA Years).

If the duration of a degree exceeds the equivalent of 3 full-time years of study, only the courses comprising the last 3.0 FTE worth of study will be used in the GPA calculation. For example, for a 5 year combined degree, the GPA calculation will only include the last 3 years of study and will not include the first 2 years.

Where an applicant is completing the final year of their degree in 2024, the current year of study will only be included in the GPA calculation if at least 0.375 FTE worth of graded course results in the Final GPA year are available to be used in the calculation. If at least 0.375 FTE worth of graded results are not yet available, the Final GPA Year will be excluded from the calculation and the GPA will be calculated using only the Final-1 (x2) and Final-2 (x1) GPA Years.

Ungraded Pass (UGP/CRS) results will not be included in the GPA calculation. We will include UGP passes in the 'credit count' for a particular GPA year, however, they are excluded from the calculation and that particular GPA year will be calculated based on the available graded course results only.

An applicant must have a minimum of 0.375 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) worth of graded results available for a GPA to be calculated for that particular GPA year, i.e.: if 1.0FTE is the equivalent of 8 courses (or 48 credits with 6 credits per course), then using this module, you must have a minimum of 3 courses (0.375 FTE) that are graded (not UGP/CRS) for that year.

It is important to note that as a minimum an applicant must have at least 0.375 FTE of graded results in at least 2 of the 3 GPA years to have a valid GPA calculated.

Graduate Certificates, Masters by Research, PhDs, non-award study and study completed below AQF Level 7 will not be included in the GPA calculation. However, credit awarded towards a completed postgraduate diploma or Masters by Coursework may be considered in the GPA calculation.

Completion of some higher-level qualifications may attract a percentage bonus. Please refer to the 'Bonuses' section for further information.

# Currency of qualification

Applicants are required to have completed their Bachelor degree within 10 years of the date of application. The 10 years is measured from the date your degree was officially completed (i.e. the date of conferral), not the date of your graduation ceremony. If your Bachelor degree was completed more than 10 years ago, the '10 year rule' may be waived if you have undertaken additional undergraduate or postgraduate study in the intervening period. This must be evidenced by successful completion of at least 0.5 years of full-time equivalent study (0.5 FTE) in a Commonwealth-accredited program at Bachelor level or higher (as defined by the Australian Qualifications Framework) in the 10 years prior to the date of application.

	A study load of 0.5 FTE is usually equivalent to one semester of full-time study or two semesters of part-time study.			
GAMSAT	Applicants must have achieved a minimum score of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT and a minimum Overall Score of 50 to be considered for an interview.			
Bonuses	<b>Honours:</b> A percentage bonus of 2% may be awarded for a standalone Honours degree if the qualification is already complete or due to be completed in the year of application. The bonus applies to standalone Honours degrees only. Embedded and Professional Honours programs are included in the GPA calculation but do not receive the percentage bonus.			
	Masters by Research or PhD: A percentage bonus may be awarded for a Masters by Research (2% or PhD (4%) if the qualification is completed prior to the date of application.			
	The percentage bonus is applied to the combined GPA/GAMSAT score. Applicants must meet the individual GPA and GAMSAT minimum requirements before they can be eligible for a bonus.			
	Applicants cannot accumulate additional bonuses for completing more than one of the degrees listed above. If an applicant has completed more than one qualification that is eligible for a bonus, only the highest bonus will apply.			
Indigenous Applicants	The ANU encourages applications from people of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background and has a dedicated Indigenous entry pathway for the MChD program. Each year, there are reserved places in the MChD program through the Indigenous entry pathway.			
	Applicants from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent can apply directly to the ANU by following the application process as outlined on the ANU website: <a href="https://health.anu.edu.au/study/doctor-medicine-and-surgery">https://health.anu.edu.au/study/doctor-medicine-and-surgery</a> or applicants can apply through GEMSAS.			
	All applicants must complete the <u>Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Declaration Form</u> .			
	The declaration form can be found at <a href="https://health.anu.edu.au/files/Aboriginal%20and%20Torres%20Strait%20Islander%20Declaration%20Form.pdf">https://health.anu.edu.au/files/Aboriginal%20and%20Torres%20Strait%20Islander%20Declaration%20Form.pdf</a>			
	All Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students who are admitted into the MChD program are automatically considered for a scholarship.			
Rural entry	In line with Federal Government initiatives, the ANU offers 29% of its domestic places to students from a rural background. GEMSAS will use the Modified Monash Model (MMM) system to determine if applicants meet the rural background criteria. If your primary place of residence has been in an Australian rural area (MM2 to 7) for 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively, you may be eligible for consideration in the rural sub-quota. You can check the MMM classification of your address by visiting the Department of Health's online Health Workforce Locator.			
	To be considered in the rural sub-quota, applicants must answer the Rurality question when completing their GEMSAS application and must provide supporting documentation to GEMSAS.			
Interview	Applicants are ranked for interview consideration based on a composite score derived from the standardised weighted GPA and standardised Overall GAMSAT score, using a 50/50 weighting.			
Offers	Offers of a place in the program will be based on a total combined score derived from the interview score (weighted 50%) and the composite GPA/GAMSAT score used for the interview ranking (weighted 50%). Meeting the minimum criteria does not guarantee admission into the program.			
	An offer made to an applicant who is studying the final year of their key degree in 2024 will be conditional on the successful completion of the degree. Evidence of successful completion <u>must</u> be received by GEMSAS no later than 31 December 2024. Applicants must meet the minimum weighted GPA threshold of 5.0 upon completion.			

	All students offered a place in the MChD program are required to meet the mandatory screening and vaccination requirements for the ANU, ACT Health, NSW Health and other clinical placement providers. Students who receive an offer of place to the MChD program will receive the screening and vaccination booklet with their offer letter. All requirements included in the booklet must be completed and evidence provided prior to commencement of the program.		
Deferral	An offer of a place is only valid for the year in which it is offered. The ANU will not consider deferra of enrolment for students.		
Conjoint MChD/PhD	The ANU School of Medicine and Psychology offers the opportunity for high achieving students to undertake a conjoint Doctor of Medicine and Surgery (MChD) / Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) conjoint program.		
	This program caters for students who have a desire to enter the medical profession but also possess a keen interest in cutting-edge research. The conjoint program is available for students who qualify for entry to a PhD program (H1 Honours or equivalent) and who achieve a higher level performance in the Advanced Research Project course and/or subject to the approval of the Director of the School of Medicine and Psychology.		
	Applications and selection for the conjoint program is completed during the second year of the MChD program, therefore no application is required prior to starting the program.		
English Language Proficiency	All applicants must meet the Australian National University's English language requirements for graduate admission.		
	Please refer to the ANU Policy Library for further details		
	https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_000408		
International Applicants	International applicants must apply directly to the ANU. The entry requirements and application process for international applicants can be found on the ANU website: <a href="https://health.anu.edu.au/study/doctor-medicine-and-surgery">https://health.anu.edu.au/study/doctor-medicine-and-surgery</a>		
Scholarships	The Australian National University offers a wide range of scholarships to current and future students to assist with the cost of their studies. Many of the scholarships on offer are funded by donors and benefactors, external organisations and the Australian Government. Please visit the ANU Scholarships Portal for details:		
	http://www.anu.edu.au/students/scholarships-fees/scholarships		
Open Days and Information Sessions	Please visit the ANU website for information about Open Day and information sessions: <a href="https://www.anu.edu.au">www.anu.edu.au</a>		

# DEAKIN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

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Contact details:	Telephone	(03) 9251 7777	
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	Web	https://www.deakin.edu.au/doctor-medicine	
Places Available in 2025	151		
	CSP	97	
	ВМР	39	
	International	15	

(These quotas are indicative only and are subject to change)

- Up to 5% of domestic places will be held for Indigenous applicants who apply through the Indigenous Entry Stream)
- 30 domestic places are reserved for the Rural Training Stream
- A minimum of 25% of domestic places will be allocated to applicants from a rural background, in addition to the 30 domestic places reserved for the Rural Training Scheme

Deakin's goal is to address the workforce needs and advance the health and wellbeing of regional and rural individuals and communities. To achieve this the school aims to recruit 50% of its cohort from rural applicants.

#### Qualifying degree/ GPA

#### **Qualifying degree**

Applicants are considered on academic performance in an approved Bachelor, Honours, Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master's by coursework with a minimum weighted GPA of 5.0.

The minimum entry requirement is:

- A completed Bachelor degree with a minimum weighted GPA of 5.0
- Applicants currently studying the minimum requirement must be in their final year of a
   3-year bachelor which must be completed by 31 December in the year of application.

The completed qualifying degree must be from an Australian University or a Higher Education Institution recognised by the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF), or equivalent as deemed by Deakin University.

Deakin recognises up to one year (1FTE) of credit, from below AQF Level 7 study, towards the completion of an undergraduate degree. Deakin does not recognise 2-year bachelor degrees (accelerated degrees (3FTE) completed over 2 years, however, are accepted).

Any credit from an International Baccalaureate will also not be accepted.

#### **GPA**

- For all applicants, the GPA will be calculated based on academic grades obtained during the final three full-time equivalent years of the most recent study. Years are progressively weighted x1, x2 and x3, to give greater weight to the most recent results.
- 2020 Calendar year results will not be used in the GPA calculation. Applicants who studied in the final year of their most recent degree in 2020 and who completed at least 0.25FTE of their final year requirements prior to 2020, will have their GPA calculated as Final 2 x1, Final 1 x2 and Final x3.
- Applicants who studied in the final year of their most recent degree in 2020 and had less than 0.25FTE of their final year requirements completed prior to 2020, will have their GPA

- calculated from the Final 2 and Final 1 years only. Years will be progressively weighted x1 and x5 to give greater weight to the most recent results.
- An Honours year (embedded or standalone) will be considered and may count as your final year in the GPA calculation. Applicants should note that results for <u>all</u> 2020 calendar year enrolled subjects will not be used (regardless of subject or degree completion/conferral in 2021).
- Graduate Certificates, Graduate Diplomas and Masters by coursework qualifications successfully completed by 31 July 2024 will also be used towards GPA calculations.
   Applicants should note that 2020 calendar year results will not be used.

Note: A GPA year must have at least 0.25FTE of graded results.

#### Early exit from a combined degree

Applicants will meet Deakin University's admission requirement if they have completed 3FTE when taking an early exit from a combined degree.

If the applicant takes an early exit from the combined degree, the GPA will be recalculated and if applicable, made a conditional offer of a place. This is dependent on the successful completion and evidence via an official transcript for the single degree.

Submission of documentation after the closing date for the purpose of assessing qualifications will not be accepted. All documentation must be submitted with the application.

# **Currency of** qualification

General Stream and Rural Training Stream Tier 2 and 3 applicants are required to have completed their qualifying degree within 10 years of their projected commencement date.

This requirement is waived for Tier 1 Rural Training Stream applicants.

#### Note:

Applicants whose qualifying degree was completed outside this 10-year period may be considered for admission:

- If they have successfully completed the equivalent of one-half year of tertiary coursework study (i.e. 0.5FTE) at Honours, Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master by Coursework by 31 December in the year of application. This study will not be considered in the GPA calculation if the qualification is not completed by 31 July in the year of application (except for Honours which can be completed by the 31 December).
- A Higher Degree by Research will not be considered in the GPA calculation but will meet
  the requirements for currency of qualification provided the qualification is completed/will
  be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Applicants should be aware that
  both the thesis submission and the full examination process must be successfully
  completed prior to the December deadline in order to meet the application requirement.

Applicants who are in the process of completing these qualifications will receive a conditional offer.

Qualifications must be completed at a TEQSA-accredited institution (or for equivalent international qualifications, defined by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR)).

#### **GAMSAT**

General Stream and Rural Training Stream Tier 2 and 3 applicants: a minimum overall GAMSAT score of 50 with a minimum of 50 in each of the three sections is required to be considered for interview.

This requirement is waived for Tier 1 Rural Training Stream applicants.

Note:

- Applicants can only submit one application. Applicants who submit two applications, will have one application cancelled.
- Applicants without a GAMSAT or failed GAMSAT can apply to the Deakin Tier 1 Rural Training Stream pathway only. Please email <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> if you are applying without a GAMSAT.
- Applicants with a valid GAMSAT and wanting to be considered for the Rural Training Stream, can enter multiple preferences but must place Deakin as their first preference.

Applicants who have had a ban imposed by ACER are not eligible to be considered for the Rural Training Stream during the time of their ban.

# Adjustments (Bonuses) / Special entry schemes

Applicants may be eligible for the following adjustments (bonuses) which will count towards your aggregate score for interview consideration.

- Relevant Prior Clinical experience (4%);
- Work Experience (2%);
- Deakin Study adjustment (bonus) (4%);
- Rural/Regional residency (Geelong MM1 and Modified Monash Model-MM2 (4%)
   Modified Monash Model-MM3-MM7 (8%);
- Demonstration of financial disadvantage during undergraduate and/or postgraduate degree (2%).

Please see the table below for more information.

### Rural Training Stream Applicants

The Deakin Rural Training Stream (RTS) is part of Deakin's commitment to address health workforce needs, and to advance the health and wellbeing of regional, rural, remote, Indigenous and marginalised individuals and communities. As such, the RTS is designed to both improve access to medical training for students from rural communities in the Barwon South West Health Region (with a focus on applicants residing locally to their allocated Rural Learning Campus and/or allocated Rural Clinical School throughout their course), and provide the opportunity to complete all four years of the MD course within a rural location.

In line with the above, applicants to the RTS program should be aware of the following:

- Students who reside in Deakin's Tier 1 footprint and opt to stay in their rural communities throughout the course will be required to undertake regular travel to their assigned Rural Learning Campus and/or Rural Clinical School, as part of the program of study.
- Students who reside outside of Deakin's Tier 1 footprint would be expected to relocate
  locally to their designated Rural Learning Campus and/or Rural Clinical School, as regular
  study at the assigned Rural Learning Campus and/or Rural Clinical School is a requirement
  of the program.
- Students residing within Deakin's Tier 1 footprint but closer to the Deakin Waurn Ponds
  Campus than to one of the Rural Learning Campuses will not be able to use Waurn Ponds as
  their primary place of study, as RTS places are not funded or allocated for study at this
  campus. Regular travel will be necessary to the assigned Rural Learning Campus and/or
  Rural Clinical School.
- Places are strictly limited at each of the Rural Learning Campuses and/or Rural Clinical Schools, so if applicants are unsuccessful in being offered a place at their closest Rural Learning Campus or Clinical School but are offered a place, and elect to study, at a Rural Learning Campus or Clinical School further away from their place of residence, regular travel will still be necessary to the assigned Rural Learning Campus and/or Rural Clinical School.

#### **Entry requirements**

In addition to the entry requirements above, applicants to the RTS will be considered on the basis of their rural background and ranked according to a tiered priority system (please visit <a href="https://www.deakin.edu.au/medicine/study-opportunities/rural-training-stream">https://www.deakin.edu.au/medicine/study-opportunities/rural-training-stream</a> for further information on how this Stream operates).

Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria for Tier 1 will have the following admission requirements waived:

- a valid GAMSAT, and
- an undergraduate degree that must have been completed within the last 10 years.

Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria for Tier 1 who have a valid GAMSAT and meet the 10-year rule requirement, can still apply for the Rural Training Stream by placing Deakin as their first preference. They will be ranked in accordance with the Rural Training Stream criteria.

Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria for Tier 2 and Tier 3 can apply for the Rural Training Stream by placing Deakin as their first preference. A valid GAMSAT and meeting the 10-year rule is a requirement.

Applicants who decline their offer of a place in the Rural Training Stream will not be considered for a place in the Deakin General Stream.

#### **Written Application**

Rural Training Stream applicants are required to submit a written application (1000-character limit for each section) demonstrating:

- a rural community connection (provide examples of service and involvement in your community and what motivates your contribution to your rural community); and
- an interest in rural medicine (describe the reasons why you are applying to the Rural Training Stream and your interest in rural medicine, providing examples that demonstrate why you would be an appropriate candidate for this pathway).
- evidence of capability to undertake postgraduate study (prior experiences and independent learning skills).

The written application contributes 50% to the aggregate score for interview ranking and 25% for course offer ranking.

#### **Rural Training Commitment**

Acceptance of a place in the Rural Training Stream will require written commitment to completing all four years of the MD course at a rural training site allocated by the School. Students are expected to reside locally to their allocated Rural Learning Campus and/or Rural Clinical School throughout their course.

- Year 1 and 2: Delivered through a blend of online and face-to-face learning requirements. There is a minimum requirement of 2 days of mandatory face-to-face attendance each week of semester, based primarily at either Deakin University's Warrnambool campus or East Grampians Health Service, Ararat. Following acceptance of course offer, Rural Training Stream entrants will be asked to provide a preference for one of these two training sites but cannot be guaranteed to receive that allocation. Students based at both Warrnambool and Ararat sites will be required to attend Waurn Ponds campus infrequently. Note: Rural Training Stream students cannot complete Year 1 or 2 based at the Waurn Ponds campus.
- Year 3 and 4: Students will be allocated to one or more of Deakin's rural clinical schools Ballarat, Warrnambool or the Rural Community Clinical School. Clinical school allocations

will take place in second semester of Year 1 based on students' preferences and availability of places. Clinical school allocation is independent of the Year 1 and 2 training location.

Note: Geelong and Eastern Health Clinical Schools are not available training locations for Rural Training Stream students.

# First Nations Australian Applicants

Up to 5% of domestic places will be held for First Nations Australian applicants who apply through the Indigenous Entry Stream (IES). First Nations Australian applicants are highly encouraged to apply directly via the IES but are also able to apply via GEMSAS.

See school website for details: https://www.deakin.edu.au/health/indigenous-entry-stream.

First Nations Australians applying via GEMSAS are required to provide Confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander Descent\_signed by and stamped with the common Seal of an Incorporated Indigenous Organisation by 30 June 2024.

Please contact the School directly at <u>som-selection@deakin.edu.au</u> if further information is required.

Examples of qualified Incorporated Indigenous Organisations:

- Land Councils
- Community Councils
- Housing Organisations
- Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations
- Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations
- Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services

# English Language Requirement

English language requirements apply to international applicants and other applicants whose post-secondary study was undertaken in a country other than Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Fiji, Republic of Ireland, Kenya, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, United Kingdom, the United States of America, Zambia or undertaken in a language other than English.

Qualifications must be completed no more than 5 years prior to commencement at Deakin unless otherwise specified. Deakin's English Language Requirements can be satisfied in other ways, as outlined at the following link (<a href="https://policy.deakin.edu.au/document/view-current.php?id=161">https://policy.deakin.edu.au/document/view-current.php?id=161</a>), and this may require further evidence to be provided at the time of application.

Further evidence can be demonstrated as follows:

- Applicants may demonstrate they meet the English language proficiency criteria by
  providing evidence of ongoing residence and employment for a period of not less than 5
  years within Australia or one of the following specified English speaking countries (in an
  occupation requiring proficient written and verbal communication in English):
  - a. Canada
  - b. Fiji
  - c. Ireland
  - d. Kenya
  - e. New Zealand
  - f. Papua New Guinea
  - g. Samoa
  - h. Singapore
  - i. Solomon Islands
  - j. South Africa
  - k. United Kingdom (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales)
  - I. United States of America
  - m. Zambia
- IELTS
- 3. Pearson's Test of English

#### 4. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

Please refer to the policy for the required scores. English Language Tests must be completed no more than 2 years prior to commencement at Deakin.

If these documents are not provided at the time of application, any offer made will be conditional on the provision of this evidence.

#### Interview

A maximum of 220 applicants will be interviewed.

#### **General Stream** applicants are selected for interview based on:

- The number of interview places available
- An aggregate score comprising: equal weighting of GPA + GAMSAT + any adjustment factors if applicable.

### **Rural Training Stream** applicants are ranked for interview based on the following factors:

- The number of interview places available
- Tier order (Tier 1 > Tier 2 > Tier 3)
- Ranked order within each tier based on the aggregate score

#### Tier 1 applicants are ranked within their tier based on:

Aggregate score comprising: GPA + any adjustment factors if applicable (50%) + written application score (50%)

#### Tier 2 and 3 applicants are ranked within their tier based on:

Aggregate score comprising: Equal weighting of GPA + GAMSAT + any adjustment factors if applicable (50%) + written application score (50%)

Interviews will use the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format in which applicants are interviewed at up to 6 consecutive stations with 5 minutes for each interaction. Qualities to be assessed at interview may include:

- communication skills
- commitment to rural and regional practice
- evidence-based practice
- self-directed learning
- teamwork
- motivation for a career in medicine
- a commitment to social justice
- professionalism
- effective use of resources
- health promotion

Interviews will be held online in September 2024. Applicants are strongly advised to refer to the School website for updated information, <a href="https://www.deakin.edu.au/doctor-medicine.">https://www.deakin.edu.au/doctor-medicine.</a>

#### Offers

Offers will be made to applicants based on the following:

### General Stream applicants are ranked for offers based on:

 Equal weighting of GPA + GAMSAT + any adjustment factors if applicable (50%) + MMI interview score (50%)

#### **Rural Training Stream** applicants are ranked for offers based on:

Tier order (Tier 1 > Tier 2 > Tier 3)

 Ranked order within each tier based on the aggregate score applicable to their assigned tier (50%) + MMI interview score (50%)

Tier 1 applicants are ranked within their tier based on:

GPA + any adjustment factors if applicable (25%) + written application score (25%) + MMI interview score (50%)

Tier 2 and 3 applicants are ranked within their tier based on:

Equal weighting of GPA + GAMSAT + any adjustments factors if applicable (25%) + written application score (25%) + MMI Interview score (50%)

#### **Conditional Offers**

Offers for applicants in the final year of their degree will be conditional on successfully passing their qualifying degree. Applicants who are in the process of completing their qualifying degree MUST provide their finalised transcript to GEMSAS by 31 December 2024.

Applicants who receive a conditional offer will have their overall GPA recalculated. Applicants will be expected to maintain or exceed their overall GPA used when shortlisted for an offer.

An applicant whose overall GPA decreases by 0.4 or less, will have their offer confirmed.

An applicant whose GPA decreases by more than 0.4 or conditions are not met by the specified date on the offer letter, will have their offer withdrawn.

Applicants who are in the process of completing their undergraduate degree MUST provide their finalised transcript to GEMSAS by 31 December 2024.

#### Please note that deferrals are not permitted.

# International students

International applicants may apply with GAMSAT or MCAT scores. The minimum GAMSAT score is at least 50 in each section and a score of at least 50 overall. The minimum score for MCAT is 125 in each section. GAMSAT and/or MCAT results must be obtained within 4 years prior to the application. Students who have undertaken their qualifying studies in a non-English speaking country must, in addition, obtain a minimum overall IELTS score of 7.0 (with no band less than 7.0). Applicants, whose qualifying degree was taught and assessed entirely in English, no more than 2 years prior to enrolment at Deakin, are considered as having met the English language requirement. A combination of GAMSAT/MCAT score, GPA score and adjustments (bonuses) will be taken into consideration when selecting applicants for interview.

International applicants must apply directly to International Admissions at Deakin University: <a href="https://student-deakin.studylink.com">https://student-deakin.studylink.com</a>

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.deakin.edu.au/course/doctor-medicine-international">https://www.deakin.edu.au/course/doctor-medicine-international</a>.

# Open Days and Information Sessions

#### **On Demand Course Information Session**

An on demand course information webinar is available at <a href="https://www.deakin.edu.au/student-life-and-services/events/doctor-of-medicine-course-information-webinar">https://www.deakin.edu.au/student-life-and-services/events/doctor-of-medicine-course-information-webinar</a>.

#### **Open Day**

Please visit the Deakin website for information about Open Day, https://www.deakin.edu.au/openday.

# **Deakin University Documents required** If you applied for any of the following Deakin adjustments (bonuses) in 2021, 2022 **Adjustments** (Bonuses) / Special or 2023, please select the "2021/2022/2023 applied for adjustment (bonus)" tick entry schemes box in the application and we will not require any further documentation: Financial disadvantage, Clinical experience, Work experience, Deakin Geelong rural adjustment (bonus). NB. If you applied and were found ineligible or did not provide documentation in 2021, 2022 or 2023 (you would have been emailed and informed of this), please DO NOT tick the 2021/2022/2023 box but select yes in the application if you are eligible for the adjustment (bonus) and provide the required documentation. If you apply and are found ineligible for any of the 2024 Deakin adjustments (bonuses), you will be emailed and informed of this. Please read the Deakin Adjustment (bonus) Document Guide, found on the Documentation page in the application, to assist you to understand the expectations that GEMSAS has regarding the documentation. **Emailed documentation:** must include the relevant coversheet, or it will not be assessed subject line must include your full name and VTAC ID. See school website for details: https://www.deakin.edu.au/doctor-medicine Applicants who can demonstrate financial disadvantage, which may have impacted on **Financial Disadvantage** academic performance during their undergraduate and/or postgraduate degree, may receive a 2% adjustment (bonus) of the combined GPA and GAMSAT or GPA score. The Deakin School of Medicine recognises the following benefits as providing eligibility for the financial disadvantage adjustment (bonus):-Centrelink income support payments and allowances - The School of Medicine recognises the following Centrelink payments and allowances: ABSTUDY, AUSTUDY, Parenting Payment, Youth Allowance, Newstart Allowance, Disability Support Pension, Carer Payment, JobSeeker, JobKeeper, Farm Household Allowance. Department of Veterans' Affairs income payments and Veteran's Children Education Scheme (VCES). Other Australian Federal or State Government income payments of similar amounts may be considered. StudyLink benefits for applicants from New Zealand, excluding the StudyLink loan. Please ensure supporting documentation clearly shows the approved benefit and supports a minimum of 12 months. Supporting documentation includes (approved benefit must clearly be listed): A letter/statement from Centrelink or StudyLink (each month must be clearly visible if providing Centrelink documents). A PAYG Centrelink Payment Summary (showing a minimum payment period of 52 weeks). Tax returns (if the approved benefit and time period are clearly shown). Bank statements (only if the approved benefit is detailed).

Any other document clearly supporting the adjustment (bonus) criteria.

#### Please note:

- Documents with "Employment or Youth and Student Assistance service" or "NSS" detailed are not sufficient as they do not clearly state the approved benefit.
- Applicants must have been in receipt of the approved benefit for at least 12
  months cumulatively, at the time of application (not the end of 2024 or at the
  time of course commencement, as there is no guarantee that the applicant will
  receive the benefit in the future).
- Insufficient supporting documentation includes: documents provided with "Employment or Youth and Student Assistance service" listed (the approved benefit must be detailed); documents showing less than 52 weeks payment period; providing one document at the beginning of the time period and one at the end is not sufficient, (each month must clearly be shown).

# Prior Clinical Experience in a Health Discipline

Applicants who have completed the equivalent of one year of full-time clinical practice (i.e. a minimum of 36 hours per week for one year consecutively, or a minimum of 1872 hours cumulatively), as an AHPRA registered health professional, or in speech pathology or dietetics, may receive a 4% adjustment (bonus) of the combined GPA and GAMSAT or GPA score.

Applicants with international clinical practice and registration (that aligns with the professions listed on the AHPRA website

(<a href="https://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registers-of-Practitioners/Professions-and-Divisions.aspx">https://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registers-of-Practitioners/Professions-and-Divisions.aspx</a>), including speech pathology and dietetics, may also be eligible to receive this adjustment (bonus).

Please provide documentation that will show:

• 12 months of full-time equivalent clinical experience (excluding Internship period) (e.g. letter of support from employer / group certificate),

#### **AND**

• Evidence of registered health professional status for the relevant clinical experience year(s) (e.g. proof of registration / print out from AHPRA website).

# Supporting documentation includes:

- Supporting letters from the applicant's employer(s) stating length of employment in the clinical field. The letters must include the letterhead, be dated and signed and detail if you worked full-time, part-time (hours per week) or casual (total hours worked).
- Payslips, ensure the payslips cover one year full-time clinical experience and includes both the applicant name and the employers' name.
- Group Certificate (Income statement)/PAYG Summary and include a payslip, ensure the group certificate includes both the applicant name and the employers' name.
- Registration documentation, ensure the documentation covers the clinical year(s) that are being claimed.

#### Please note:

- Periods of provisional registration, or as an intern, are excluded.
- Offers of employment and contracts are not acceptable documentation as they do not prove actual clinical experience, or that the contract was completed.
- Unpaid work, cash in hand and voluntary work will not be considered.
- Tax Return application. Please note a notice of tax assessment is not acceptable as it does not state the occupation.
- Future registration or employment cannot be considered. Applicants must have completed the one year (12 months), at the time of application. Adjustments (bonuses) can only be awarded to applicants who will have completed the 1 year (12 months) at the time of application.

# • If you receive the Prior Clinical Experience adjustment (bonus) you are not eligible for the Work Experience adjustment (bonus).

#### **Work Experience**

Applicants who have worked full time (i.e. a minimum of 36 hours per week for 2 years consecutively or 3744 hours cumulatively over a 4 year period), may receive a 2% adjustment (bonus) of the combined GPA and GAMSAT or GPA score.

Supporting documentation includes:

- Supporting letters from the applicant's employer(s) stating the length of
  employment and weekly hours worked. The letters must include the letterhead,
  be dated and signed and detail if you worked full-time, part-time (hours per
  week) or casual (total hours worked).
- Group Certificate/PAYG Summary (include a payslip), ensure the group certificate includes both the applicant name and the employers' name.
- Payslips, ensure the payslips cover the two years full-time equivalent work experience over a maximum 4 years; and includes both the applicant's name and the employers' name.
- Tax Return application / Notice of Tax Assessment which must include payslip/s with employer details.
- Any other documentation supporting the adjustment (bonus) criteria.

#### Please note:

- Applicants can either receive the Work Experience adjustment (bonus) (2%) or the Prior Clinical Work adjustment (bonus) (4%). They cannot claim both adjustments (bonuses). The Work Experience adjustment (bonus) applies to any paid work, non-clinical work or clinical work that is not listed in the defined list of disciplines.
- Adjustments (bonuses) can only be awarded to those applicants who have completed 2 years cumulatively over a 4 year period, or 2 years consecutively at the time of application (not the end of 2024).
- Offers of employment and contracts are not acceptable documentation as they do not prove actual work experience, or that the contract was completed.
- Unpaid work, cash in hand and voluntary work will not be considered.

# Deakin Study adjustment (bonus)

Eligible applicants may receive a 4% adjustment (bonus) of the combined GPA and GAMSAT or GPA score.

Applicants are eligible for this adjustment (bonus) if, at the time of application (semester 1), they:-

- Have completed and graduated with an undergraduate or postgraduate degree from Deakin University with a minimum of two thirds of their course requirement completed at Deakin University Or
- Will be completing an undergraduate or postgraduate degree from Deakin
  University in the year of application and have completed at least two thirds of
  their course requirement at Deakin University.

# Please note:

 Recognition for Prior Learning will not count as having met the two thirds of the course requirement.

This adjustment (bonus) will be assessed using study results automatically retrieved via ARTS (i.e. no extra documentation will be required).

#### Geelong MM1 (bonus)

This adjustment (bonus) is given to applicants who have resided in the Geelong MM1 area for at least 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively. Complete the questions in the application form and submit the required supporting documentation (see the Rurality section for acceptable supporting documentation and notes/conditions (this adjustment has the same documentation requirements as the rural background)).

	<ul> <li>Residence in Geelong MM1: an adjustment (bonus) of 4% of the combined GPA and GAMSAT score.</li> </ul>
	Note: Some suburbs in the Geelong region are deemed MM2-4 (please check the DoctorConnect site, using the Modified Monash Model 2019) <a href="https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/health-workforce-locator/app">https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/health-workforce-locator/app</a> ).
	If deemed MM2-4, please apply for both the Rural (see below) and the Geelong adjustment (bonus). GEMSAS will assess your application and deem the applicable adjustment (bonus). Please note that only one adjustment (bonus) will be awarded.
Rurality (bonus)	This adjustment (bonus) is given to applicants who have resided in a Rural/Regional area (MM2-7) for at least 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively. Complete the questions in the application form and submit the required supporting documentation (see the Rurality section for rural acceptable supporting documentation and notes/conditions).
	• Residence in MM2: an adjustment (bonus) of 4% of the combined GPA and GAMSAT score.
	• Residence in MM3-7: an adjustment (bonus) of 8% of the combined GPA and GAMSAT score.
Rural Training Stream	Rural Training Stream applicants must provide supporting documentation that demonstrates evidence of 5 years continuous or 10 years cumulative residency in their selected Tier.

# GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Contact details:	Telephone	1800 677728	
	Email	medicine@griffith.edu.au	
	Web	https://www.griffith.edu.au/griffith-health/school-medicine- dentistry	
	CSP	142	
Places Available in 2025	BMP	56	
	B Medical Science Pathway (Griffith University and University of the Sunshine Coast)	80* (Includes 28.5% BMP places)  * included in total CSP and BMP places	
	International	Up to 35	
Doctor of Medicine (MD)	Successful applicants to Griffith University will be admitted to the Doctor of Medicine (MD), an AQF level 9 Masters extended degree.		
International applicants	International applicants apply directly to Griffith University. For further information: Phone +61 7 373 56425 or Web: <a href="www.griffith.edu.au/international">www.griffith.edu.au/international</a> International students will be allocated to the Gold Coast Campus.		
Campus and Place Type Preference	Students will be placed at either the Gold Coast campus or the Sunshine Coast Health Institute Teaching Location* at the time of the offer round.		
	At the time of application, applicants must specify the types of places (non-bonded CSP and/or bonded CSP (BMP) they wish to be considered for in preferred order. They must also note their preference order for the Gold Coast campus and the Sunshine Coast Health Institute Teaching Location. Please note that preferences will be considered, but not guaranteed as quotas apply.		
	* Griffith University Bachelor of Medical Science Pathway students will not be allocated to the Sunshine Coast Health Institute Teaching Location. University of the Sunshine Coast Bachelor of Medical Science Pathway students will not be allocated to the Gold Coast Campus.		
	Gold Coast campus is located at Parklands Drive, Southport Queensland 4215.		
	Sunshine Coast Health Institute teaching location is located at 6 Doherty Street, Birtinya Queensland 4575.		
Key Degree	Griffith University welcomes graduates from a variety of backgrounds (sciences, social sciences, arts, humanities, law, etc.). There is no preferred Area of study or key degree.		
	Bachelor Degree - Applicants must have achieved a minimum GPA of 5.0 in a completed bachelor degree or be in the final year of a bachelor degree (scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application)		
	- Griffith recognises that some students may undertake other pathways from the standard 3 year and 4 year bachelor degrees, including <b>completed standalone Honours and embedded Honours</b>		
	Incomplete 4 year embedded Honours degrees must be completed by 31 December.		
	If a <u>standalone</u> Honours degree is not completed by 31 July, it will not be used.		
	Postgraduate Key Degrees		
		ers degrees: All program requirements must be completed by 31 n for the qualification to be accepted for admissions purposes (i.e.	

you cannot complete the program by mid-year you will not be eligible for admission). This qualification must have a minimum length of three years FTE, and the GPA will be calculated using the final three years of the combined degree.

- Combined Bachelor/Postgraduate Diplomas degrees: All program requirements must be completed by 31 July in the year of application for the qualification to be accepted for admissions purposes. Griffith does not accept Postgraduate Diplomas as a Key Degree. In determining the GPA, the Postgraduate Diploma component will be ignored and the GPA calculated from the undergraduate component alone, provided that the applicant has three full-time years of undergraduate study.
- Masters by Research Only and Masters by Coursework, or a combination of coursework and research, must be completed by 31 July in the year of application
- PhDs must be completed by 31 July in the year of application

**Completion** means the applicant completed all academic requirements for the qualification, and approval is given for the award to be granted.

Diplomas, Postgraduate Diplomas, Graduate Certificates and Graduate Diplomas are not considered a key degree and are not considered in the GPA calculation. Exception: credit awarded towards a completed Masters degree from a Postgraduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma can be considered in the GPA calculation, up to the amount of credit awarded towards the Masters degree.

#### **GPA Calculation**

Griffith University uses an **unweighted** GPA calculation for admission to the Doctor of Medicine.

- For a **Bachelor** degree, the GPA will be calculated using the GEMSAS grading schema and will be calculated over the final three years of full-time equivalent (FTE) study. Applicants who are in the final year of a Bachelor degree at the time of application will have a GPA calculated over all grades available to date.
- In any one GPA Year, ungraded passes to a maximum of 0.5 FTE will be disregarded (subjects will count towards the FTE, but not towards the GPA). Ungraded passes in excess of 0.5 FTE will be included in the GPA calculation for the GPA Year at a grade value 4.5.

**Due to COVID-19** applicants for admission in 2025 will have any study completed in Semester/Trimester 1 2020 assessed as follows:

- Applicants may request to have ALL Semester/Trimester 1 grades in 2020 disregarded.
   However, applicants cannot request to have individual Semester/Trimester 1 grades in 2020 disregarded.
- University of Melbourne students and graduates should refer to the Grade Point Average information on page 14.

Requests to have Semester/Trimester 1 2020 grades disregarded must be sent to <a href="medicine@griffith.edu.au">medicine@griffith.edu.au</a> by no later than 5pm on 31 May 2024. Please include your GEMSAS VTAC ID or GAMSAT number so we can correctly identify your application.

Late requests and multiple requests will not be entertained.

- The GPA for a completed **standalone Honours** degree will have a final year GPA based on the classification awarded (as per the conversion table in this Guide) or subject results and best GPA used. The balance of the GPA calculation will be based on the final two full-time equivalent years of the Bachelor degree.
- For an **embedded Honours** degree, the GPA will be calculated using the final year subject results or the classification awarded (if completed) and the best GPA used. The balance of the GPA will be based on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> years of subject results.
- For a completed **Professional Honours** qualification, please contact Griffith University (medicine@griffith.edu.au).

- For a completed **Combined Bachelor/Masters degrees,** the GPA will be calculated using the final three years of the combined degree. This qualification must have a minimum length of three years full time equivalent (FTE) study.
- For a completed **Combined Bachelor/Postgraduate Diplomas degrees,** the GPA will be calculated from the undergraduate component alone. We do not accept Postgraduate Diplomas as a Key Degree therefore the Postgraduate Diploma component will be ignored in the GPA calculation, provided there is three full-time years of undergraduate study.
- Completed **Masters by Research** (where the degree is entirely non-graded) will receive a GPA of 7.0 for the duration of equivalent full-time study (up to a maximum of two years). The balance of the GPA calculation will be based on the final one or two years of the next most recently completed key degree.
- Completed **Master by Research** (where there are graded components) will receive a GPA of 7.0 for the duration of the Research component (up to a maximum of two years), with the balance of the GPA calculation being based on the graded units within the Research qualification and the next most recently completed key degree/s.
- Completed Masters by Coursework, (coursework only or a combination of coursework and research), will have a GPA calculated from the graded components of the program for the duration of equivalent full-time years of study in the program with the balance of the GPA calculation being based on the final one or two years of the next most recently completed key degree.
- Completed PhDs receive an overall GPA of 7.0.

# Currency of qualification

The key degree must have been completed within 10 years of the projected commencement date. The year of completion is the year the applicant completed all academic requirements for the qualification, and approval is given for the award to be granted. Applicants whose key degree was completed outside the 10-year period are considered for admission if they have completed by 31 July, with a passing GPA, the equivalent of 1 year's full time tertiary level studies within the past 10 years. This study does not need to be a completed program of study as long as the duration is equivalent to one year or more full-time study by 31 July in the year of application.

At a minimum, all applicants must have successfully completed at least 1 year FTE of actual tertiary study at Diploma level or higher within 10 years of the projected commencement date of the Doctor of Medicine. Credit gained from informal and non-formal learning (including work experience) does not count towards the 1-year FTE of actual tertiary study.

# **GAMSAT**

To be eligible for admission, applicants must achieve:

- a minimum score of 50 in each GAMSAT section,
- with an overall score of at least 50.

# Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Applicants

Griffith upholds a commitment to support people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island descent to pursue a medical career.

The First Peoples Health Pathway is:

Qualification	Any Key Degree for the Doctor of Medicine
Required GPA	5.0 or higher
Required GAMSAT score	Not required, First People applicants do not need to sit GAMSAT for Griffith University

	Application	Apply through GEMSAS, identifying as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and include Griffith University as a preference
	Next Step	Contact <a href="medicine@griffith.edu.au">medicine@griffith.edu.au</a> and provide GEMSAS application number (VTAC ID)
	GUMSAA Interview	Not required for First Peoples
	First People applicant Interview	First People applicants will be interviewed by a panel including representatives from the GUMURRII Student Success Unit, the Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor – Indigenous Diversity and Inclusion and the Program Director for the Doctor of Medicine.
	Verification Documentation Requirements	As defined by the Commonwealth Parliament, an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is someone who:  • is of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent  • identifies as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person; and  • is accepted as such by the community in which they live or have lived.
		This typically takes the form of a Confirmation of Aboriginality document provided by a registered corporation and stamped with their Common Seal.
		Documentation not provided to GEMSAS will be requested separately by Griffith University. The final date for provision of documentation directly to Griffith University is Friday, 9 August 2024.
	Please see Griffith's First Peoples Pathway to Medicine information at	
	www.griffith.edu.au/gumurrii/apply-to-study for further information.	
	and/or Torres Strait Islander studenth the duration of the degree, the E provide financial assistance to suin the medical degree at Griffith	is pleased to provide scholarships for commencing Aboriginal dents in the Doctor of Medicine degree. Valued at \$20,000 for Doctor of Medicine First Peoples Scholarship is designed to apport the participation and success of First Peoples candidates University. Further information and application is available at: s/scholarship-listings/doctor-of-medicine-first-peoples-
Rural Applicants	Griffith University Rural Priority	Access Scheme (GURPAS): A proportion of the Griffith

University medical intake will include students from a rural background MM 2 to MM 7. Competitive applicants who meet the rural criteria will be given priority access to the Griffith University Doctor of Medicine program. For more information visit www.griffith.edu.au/ruralpriority.

#### Interview

The interview or Griffith University Multiple Station Admissions Assessment (GUMSAA) is designed to assess personal qualities deemed desirable in medical students and medical practitioners and will take the form of scenario based, multi-station interviews.

Applicants will be invited to GUMSAA based on an interview selections rank derived from a 50:50 combination of the unweighted GPA (converted to a percentage) and the overall GAMSAT score. Entry is competitive and a GPA required for interview selection is likely to be significantly higher than 5.0 out of 7.0. A high GAMSAT can offset a slightly lower GPA and vice versa. As a result of using a 50:50 GPA/GAMSAT selections methodology, there is no discrete cut-off point for GAMSAT.

GUMSAA for 2025 entry is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday 18 September and Thursday 19 September 2024 and will be held online.

#### Offers

Offers are made based on an overall ranking of interviewed applicants. This ranking is calculated as 50:50 combination of the interview selections rank (50:50 GPA/GAMSAT) and the overall Interview score (converted to a percentage).

The main round of offers will be made in early November, but if required, 'top up' offers will be made in subsequent offer rounds.

The offer letter will state both offer type and campus/teaching location.

Applicants who are in the final year of a Bachelor degree at the time offers are made will receive an offer conditional upon them completing their degree before 31 December 2024 while maintaining a GPA above the minimum requirement of 5.00.

### Other requirements

Orientation will be in mid-January and prior to this date students are required to:

- provide documentation regarding vaccination status;
- complete a Nationally Accredited Training Provider Registered First Aid and CPR Course;
- o obtain a National Police Check Certificate; and
- obtain a Queensland Blue Card.

See www.griffith.edu.au/griffith-health/health-placement-support-hub/programs/medicine for further information.

# **English Language Proficiency**

English language requirements apply to International applicants and other applicants whose previous study was undertaken in a country other than Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, United Kingdom, the United States of America or South Africa, or undertaken in a language other than English. The minimum English language requirements for such applicants for admission to this program are as follows:

a minimum overall band score of 7.0 on IELTS (Academic) with a minimum of 7.0 in each subscore;

OR the Occupational English Test (OET) with a minimum score of B in each of the four components (listening, reading, writing and speaking);

OR an internet-based (iBT) TOEFL score of 94 (minimum score of 24 for listening and reading, 27 for writing and 23 for speaking);

OR a minimum overall score of 65 in the Pearson Test of English (Academic) with no score less than 65;

OR successful completion of at least two years of secondary and your entire tertiary studies taught and assessed solely in English from a recognised country\*;

OR successful completion of at least two years in the last five years of tertiary study taught and assessed solely in English from a recognised country\* prior to commencement.

English test results must be no more than two years old.

\* Recognised countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom and the United States of America.

Applicants should refer to the Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA) for the <u>English Language Skills Standard</u> for all Doctor of Medicine graduates seeking registration as an Intern.

Deferrals	Griffith only allows the deferral of the commencement of study for one year when there are documented <b>exceptional</b> circumstances that could not have been foreseen at the time of application.  All deferrals must be requested in writing and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Dean of Medicine (medicine@griffith.edu.au).	
Failure to Enrol	An offer of a place is only available for that year's intake. Applicants are required to respond and/or enrol within a short timeframe to secure their place. An applicant who does not respond to their offer, or accepts their offer but does not enrol, must reapply to undertake the program in a subsequent year.	
Open day and information sessions	Griffith Open Day will be on Sunday 11 August at our Gold Coast and Nathan campuses. This date is subject to change and events may be held online. For more information visit <a href="https://www.griffith.edu.au/open-day">www.griffith.edu.au/open-day</a>	

### **MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY**

Bachelor degree	Bachelor degree	
Australian and international clinical placements	The Macquarie MD requires students to attend clinical placements in both Australian and international settings.	
Doctor of Medicine selection policies	All applicants should refer to the Macquarie MD website for detailed information on the program including selection and program policies.	
	International	20 places
2025	Full-fee	50 places
Places Available in	These quotas are subj	ect to change
	Web	http://www.mq.edu.au/study/medicine
contact actails.	Email	medicine@mq.edu.au
Contact details:	Telephone	02 9850 4538

# Bachelor degree and GPA

Applicants must have completed a bachelor degree or be in their final year of a bachelor degree (scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application, to accommodate universities with 3 semesters this can be extended to 22 January in the year of admission). The bachelor degree must be:

- A level 7 Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualification, or an equivalent overseas degree as recognised by The Department of Education (DE) Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit.
- Conversion degrees one and two year conversion degrees are not accepted.
- Bachelor degrees that have <u>any</u> credit from previous studies undertaken below AQF Level 7 (e.g. a Bachelor degree containing prior credit from a TAFE certificate/diploma/IB studies) are not accepted.

Bachelor degrees must be completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment unless the applicant meets accepted postgraduate study requirements.

Only the following postgraduate study is accepted:

- Graduate Diploma
- Coursework Masters
- Higher Degree Research Masters
- Ph[

Postgraduate coursework (Graduate Diploma and Coursework Masters) must be:

- Complete or scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application
- Completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment

Postgraduate research (Higher Degree Research Masters and PhD) must be:

- Complete at the time of application
- Completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment

Only one postgraduate qualification will be used in the GPA calculation. This will be the highest or most recent qualification.

### Grade Point Average (GPA) or Weighted Average Mark (WAM)

Applicants are required to have achieved:

- A minimum weighted GPA of 5.0 out of 7.0 to be considered for interview or
- A minimum WAM of 65 to be considered for interview

WAM scores will be converted to a GPA for the ranking calculations through GEMSAS.

Note that entry is competitive, and a GPA required for interview selection is likely to be significantly higher than 5.0 out of 7.0.

Macquarie University will calculate a GPA including Graduate Diploma and Coursework Masters if this degree will be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Completed Higher Degree Research Masters and PhD will be used in GPA calculations. The GPA calculation considers full time equivalent (FTE) years of study. The weightings used give higher level results greater value.

Applicants with a bachelor degree only will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Final year (most recent FTE year of study) = x 3
- Final-1 (second most recent FTE year of study) = x 2
- Final-2 (third most recent FTE year of study) = x 1

Applicants with a bachelor degree and standalone honours year will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Final year (honours) = x 3
- Final-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree) = x 2
- Final-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree) = x 1
- If there are results for less than 0.5 FTE in a current Honours degree once semester 1 completed, the Bachelor degree will be used to calculate the GPA. The Honours degree will be the key degree and a conditional offer will be issued pending completion of the Honours.

Applicants with postgraduate coursework (Graduate Diploma and Masters) will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Postgraduate coursework (considered as whole) = x 3
- Final-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or standalone honours year) = x2
- Final-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or most recent year of bachelor degree if honours is used) = x 1

Applicants with **completed** postgraduate research (Higher Degree Research Masters or PhD) will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Postgraduate research (considered as whole, given maximum GPA value of 7.0) = x 3
- Final-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or standalone honours year) = x 2
- Final-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or most recent year of bachelor degree if honours is used) =  $\times$  1

Note that non-award units will not be used as part of the GPA calculation.

### **GAMSAT**

All domestic applicants must submit GAMSAT scores of:

- A minimum overall score of 50
- A minimum of 50 in each of the three sections

GAMSAT scores submitted must be within four years of intended enrolment.

Please note that an alternative Indigenous Pathway is also available, with details provided in a later section.

# **Currency of qualification**

Qualifications considered for admission must have been completed within 10 years of intended enrolment.

# English language requirements

Domestic and international applicants will meet English language requirements if their secondary and tertiary qualification(s) have been taught and assessed in English in a country where English is the native or first language (Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of

Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom, or United States of America). Please see the Macquarie MD website for further information: http://www.mq.edu.au/study/medicine

#### IFI TS

Domestic and international applicants who do not meet the above English language requirements must provide evidence of meeting the following International English Language Testing System (IELTS) scores:

- A minimum overall score of 7.0
- A minimum score of 7.0 in each band

Minimum IELTS scores must be achieved in one sitting of the test less than two years from intended enrolment.

#### **Bonus Points**

A 3% bonus will be applied to the weighted GPA of the following cohorts:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants
- Rural applicants
- Macquarie University Bachelor of Clinical Science applicants

Students who belong to more than one of the above cohorts will have a maximum 5% bonus applied to their weighted GPA. Please note that bonus points are not available to International applicants.

# Indigenous Pathway

Macquarie University Doctor of Medicine encourages applications from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people.

All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants will have a 3% bonus applied to their weighted GPA.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants can choose to apply through the GEMSAS pathway and / or the Indigenous Pathway. The Indigenous Pathway offers:

- o Case-by-case application consideration for interview and offer
- Optional submission of GAMSAT results
- Support through the interview process

Applications for the Indigenous Pathway are made directly through our Indigenous Unit, Walanga Muru - https://students.mq.edu.au/uni-life/community/walanga-muru

To be eligible for either Pathway applicants must meet the minimum application criteria and:

- o Be of Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- o Identifying as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person

In addition, provide:

- Proof of Aboriginality: -
  - Acceptance as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person by the community as confirmed on a completed Evidence of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander form. The form must be signed by an officer of an incorporated Indigenous organisation from the community in which the applicant lives or has previously lived who is not a family member of the applicant, or
  - Primary documents such as official records, letter of support from an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person (for example, an Aboriginal Education Officer) or other documents viewed by our Indigenous unit (Walanga Muru) staff or Indigenous HR Consultant, and/or
  - Statutory Declaration which is signed by the individual and witnessed by a JP, making it enforceable by law.

Applicants are to provide the documentation by the due date, if unable to do so they will not be eligible to apply for this pathway. Please note that this pathway is not available to International applicants. Macquarie University Campus and place type preference Balaclava Road, North Ryde NSW, 2109, Australia All places in the Macquarie University Doctor of Medicine are full-fee. The program requires students to attend clinical placements in both Australian and international settings (travel restrictions permitting). Interview selection Interview Applicants will be ranked and selected for interview based on the following criteria: Meeting minimum eligibility requirements outlined above 50% weighted GPA 50% GAMSAT (50% MCAT for international applicants residing outside of Australia Up to 20 interview places will be reserved for Macquarie University Bachelor of Clinical Science graduates / final year students. **Interview format** Interviews will be conducted in the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format, which will see applicants rotate through a series of short interview stations. International applicants will be offered a modified MMI conducted via videoconference. MMIs for domestic applicants will be face-to-face on Saturday 28 September 2024 Offer selection Offer Applicants will be ranked and selected for offer based on the following: 50% GPA 50% MMI Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants will be selected on a case-by-case basis. **Conditional offers** If an offer is made where a degree is not yet complete, the offer will be conditional. To be made a full offer, study must be complete by the 31 December in the year of application, to accommodate universities with 3 semesters this can be extended to 22 January in the year of admission. If conditions are not met by the specified date in the offer letter, the offer will be withdrawn. International International applicants apply directly to Macquarie University. applicants Visit http://www.mq.edu.au/study/medicine for more information. International applicants must meet the same minimum entry requirements as domestic applicants with three variations: MCAT scores as indicated below will be accepted as an alternative to GAMSAT scores (for international applicants residing outside of Australia)

IELTS scores may be required, as per the 'English language requirements' section

above

Modified MMI

#### **MCAT**

International applicants residing outside of Australia can choose to submit Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) scores or GAMSAT scores. International applicants residing in Australia at the time of application must submit GAMSAT scores.

MCAT scores will be used and weighted for selection for interview and offer in the same way that GAMSAT scores are used (see 'Interview' and 'Offer' sections above).

MCAT scores submitted must satisfy:

- A minimum total score of 500
- Completion less than three years from intended enrolment

#### **IELTS**

Some international applicants will be required to submit IELTS scores. See 'English language requirements' section above for details.

#### **Interviews**

International applicants who receive an interview will be offered a modified MMI conducted via videoconference. MMIs will take place in 3 offer rounds in June, August and October.

#### Offers

Successful international applicants will be notified by Macquarie University approximately 2 weeks after interview.

# Open days and information session

Macquarie MD Information Evening: Wednesday 17 April 2024. To attend, please register at the website link below.

### mq.edu.au/MD

Open Day: Saturday 10 August 2024, 10.00am to 4.00pm. Updates will be available on the website.

# THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE MELBOURNE MEDICAL SCHOOL

Contact details:	Enquiries	http://go.unimelb.edu.au/47ki	
	Web	https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor-of-medicine/	
Places available in	These quotas are subject to change		
2025	CSP	*165 (These places are also available to eligible Chancellor's Scholars applicants).	
	ВМР	*65 (35 places available via GEMSAS and 30 available via MD Rural Pathway)	
	Domestic full-fee and International full-fee	*Up to 115 (These places are also available to eligible Guaranteed Entry Full-Fee applicants).	
Fee-type and Quotas	Applicants must specify which fee-type places they are applying for. Applicants will not be considered for fee type places they have not selected. Offers will be made in the following order: CSP first, BMP second and Full-Fee third.		
Change of Fee-Type Preferences			
	To submit a change of fe form at <a href="https://go.unime">https://go.unime</a>	<b>e-type preference</b> for University of Melbourne, please complete the <a href="mailto:lb.edu.au/fse8">lb.edu.au/fse8</a>	
	All changes will be confirr	med by the University via email within 5 business days.	
Melbourne MD Selection Policies	All applicants to the University of Melbourne are asked to refer to the MD Selection Guidelines for detailed selection policy information. These guidelines can be accessed via <a href="http://go.unimelb.edu.au/m7ki">http://go.unimelb.edu.au/m7ki</a>		
Clinical School Zone allocation	Most of the Melbourne MD is delivered through clinical schools based within health services. Information on each clinical school is available from: <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/hht6">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/hht6</a>		
	The process by which students Melbourne Medical School	dents are allocated to clinical schools is currently under review by the ol.	
Bachelor Degree/ GPA/ GAMSAT		a minimum GAMSAT Score of 50 in each of the three sections of the se are minimum requirements only, and selection into the course is	
	The Grade Point Average (GPA) is measured by considering the last 3 years of the applicant's undergraduate coursework studies (only including Honours where the Honours		
	Degree is completed by mid-year in the year of application, and the results are available for selection). GPA years will be weighted: the final-minus-2 x 1, the final-minus-1 x 2 and the final x 2.		
	If an Honours degree is no weightings will be applied outlined above. An under	ot completed by mid-year in the year of application, then GPA by weighting the final three pre-honours undergraduate years, as graduate degree is defined as a degree of at least three years ll-time, or equivalent, from a recognised university. However,	

accelerated entry and conversion degrees may be accepted, depending on the level and extent of credited study, at the discretion of the selection committee. Re-ranking may be undertaken in the applicant's favour for a small number of applicants with a high level of performance in a PhD or Master qualification (completed within 10 years of the commencement date for the MD) in a cognate discipline (strict quotas apply).

Please note that results for 2020 subjects completed before the COVID-19 pandemic (i.e. January 2020 to March 2020) will be included in entry score calculations (All Entry Pathways). Results for honours completed in 2020 will be included in entry score calculations for 2022 and all future intakes (Excluded for Guaranteed Entry Pathway). Please note Honours results are not included in WAM calculations for the Guaranteed Entry Pathway. All other 2020 subject results (i.e. completed from April 2020 to December 2020) will be excluded from entry score calculations for 2022 and all future intakes (All Entry Pathways). For the avoidance of doubt, subjects from all other study periods will be included in entry score calculations (All Entry Pathways).

The above relates to all pathways, including the standard pathway, rural pathway and Indigenous pathway that use GPA for entry and the Guaranteed Entry pathway which uses WAM for entry.

# Currency of qualification

Undergraduate degree must have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Medicine. For applicants whose most recently completed undergraduate degree was completed 10 or more years before 1 January 2025 an Honours degree, Graduate Diploma, Master or PhD degree, or equivalent, must have been completed within the last 10 years.

### MCAT

Only international students who reside outside of Australia at the time of application may apply using an MCAT score.

# Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Applicants

Applicants of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent are given priority access to Doctor of Medicine at the University of Melbourne.

Applicants of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent can apply for the Doctor of Medicine via one of two ways:

- The standard pathway applications submitted via GEMSAS
- The University of Melbourne Indigenous pathway\* applications submitted direct to the University of Melbourne

\*Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply via the University of Melbourne Indigenous pathway as this allows them to be given priority access to the Doctor of Medicine at the University of Melbourne and eligible applicants are required to meet the minimum entry requirements only.

Indigenous applicants are not required to apply via GEMSAS nor sit the GAMSAT if they are applying via the University of Melbourne Indigenous pathway and the University of Melbourne is their only preference. Indigenous applicants wishing to be considered by other medical schools (in addition to the University of Melbourne) should consult the relevant entries in this Guide for application details.

Indigenous applicants are strongly encouraged to email the University of Melbourne at <a href="mdhs-indigenous-admissions@unimelb.edu.au">mdhs-indigenous-admissions@unimelb.edu.au</a> for advice about the direct application process and our Indigenous MD Student Entry Pathway.

# Applying via the University of Melbourne Indigenous Pathway

Applicants applying via the University of Melbourne Indigenous pathway will have priority access. These applicants will:

1. Need to meet the eligibility requirements for the Indigenous Pathway including supplying a Confirmation of Identity to mdhs-indigenous-admissions@unimelb.edu.au

- Need to still meet the entry requirements of the Doctor of Medicine however are not required to undertake GAMSAT or apply via GEMSAS if applying via the Melbourne Indigenous pathway
- 3. Applicants eligible for the Indigenous Pathway will not be subject to ranking and will be selected into the program if the following minimum requirements are met: GPA of 5.0 or above; and Multi Mini Interviews passed.
- 4. Indigenous applicants who satisfy these minimum requirements may be invited to attend an additional interview with a panel chaired by the Associate Dean (Indigenous) of the Faculty (or their nominee), and other appropriate Indigenous representatives in place of the GAMSAT.

To apply via the University of Melbourne Indigenous Pathway applicants must ensure they:

- Submit a Doctor of Medicine course application directly via the <u>University of</u>
   <u>Melbourne Course Application portal</u> by 5:00pm AEST on Friday 31st May 2024 making sure the Graduate Access Melbourne section is completed
- 2. Submit a Confirmation of Identity to mdhs-indigenous-admissions@unimelb.edu.au

Indigenous applicants applying via this pathway are strongly encouraged to get in touch with our Indigenous Student Support Officer at <a href="mailto:mdhs-indigenous-admissions@unimelb.edu.au">mdhs-indigenous-admissions@unimelb.edu.au</a>

# Special entry schemes

### **Graduate Access Melbourne (GAM)**

Graduate Access Melbourne (GAM) provides access to applicants whose personal circumstances have had a sustained adverse effect on their academic achievement at undergraduate level or who are members of a specified group known to be under-represented in higher education. Applicants approved for the Graduate Access Melbourne scheme may be re-ranked based on their level of disadvantage.

Only applicants who have experienced disadvantage during their undergraduate degree, or who are members of specific recognized groups, as listed below, are eligible to apply for Graduate Access Melbourne (GAM).

- Applicants with previous status as a refugee, or holders of a Humanitarian visa
- Applicants who experienced any of the following, with an impact on their undergraduate studies: disadvantaged socio-economic circumstances; disability or a chronic medical condition; or personal difficulties.
- Further information about eligibility can be found at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/yxy6

#### How to apply for GAM

#### For applicants applying via GEMSAS

- 1. GAM applications are made separately to your course application and must be submitted directly to the University of Melbourne at <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/dvj8">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/dvj8</a>
- 2. All supporting documentation must be attached to the online form at the time of submission. Incomplete applications are not able to be considered.
- 3. The closing date for GAM applications for the 2025 intake is Friday 31 May 2024
- 4. Only eligible applicants should apply

# For applicants applying via the Indigenous Pathway, Rural Pathway and Guaranteed Entry Pathways

- 1. GAM applications are completed as part of your course application when you apply directly to the University of Melbourne at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6
- 2. All supporting documentation must be attached to the online form at the time of submission. Incomplete applications are not able to be considered.

- 3. The closing date for GAM applications for the 2025 intake is Friday 31 May 2024
- 4. Only eligible applicants should apply

### **Guaranteed Entry Pathway**

This pathway is available to two cohorts of students who are completing their undergraduate degree at the University of Melbourne.

- Chancellors Scholars (current University of Melbourne students who entered their undergraduate degree at the University of Melbourne with an ATAR of 99.90 or above). More information at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/u726
- Guaranteed Full Fee Entry (current University of Melbourne students who entered
  their undergraduate degree at the University of Melbourne with an ATAR of 99.00 or
  above). More information at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/q5mi

#### How to Apply under the Guaranteed Entry Pathway

- 1. Applications must be submitted directly to the University of Melbourne at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6
- 2. Applications must be submitted by 5:00pm AEST on Friday 31 May 2024
- 3. Eligible Guaranteed Entry applicants will be invited to attend a multi-mini Interview in September 2024, provided they have applied via the above website, by the due date.

#### Please note:

- Satisfactory performance at a multi-mini interview is required to demonstrate adequate communication skills. Students who fail to achieve this will not be eligible for guaranteed entry into the course.
- Applicants eligible for guaranteed entry will not be required to complete the Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT).
- Full-Fee Guaranteed Entry applicants must also meet course Weighted Average Mark of 75\* or above. \*Please note that results for 2020 subjects completed before the COVID-19 pandemic (i.e. January 2020 to March 2020) will be included in WAM calculations. Please note Honours results are not included in WAM calculations for the Guaranteed Entry Pathway. All other 2020 subject results (i.e. completed from April 2020 to December 2020) will be excluded from WAM calculations for 2022 and all future intakes. For the avoidance of doubt, subjects from all other study periods will be included in WAM calculations.
- Full-Fee Guaranteed Entry applicants who wish to be considered for other fee type places must apply via the standard GEMSAS process. These applications will be considered separately.

# **Rural entry**

The Melbourne Medical School at the University of Melbourne recognises the importance of building and sustaining a rural medical workforce and will therefore offer priority access to at least 30% of Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) in the Melbourne MD to applicants from a rural background, subject to the standard selection policies. For further information on rurality classification please refer to the Rural section of this Guide.

Within this 30%, 30 places will be offered to successful applicants via the MD Rural Pathway (see information below).

# **MD Rural Pathway**

Students from a rural background who are committed to undertaking their medical education wholly in rural settings and becoming part of rural and regional Australia's workforce, may wish to apply via the University of Melbourne's MD Rural Pathway.

There are 30 places available via the MD Rural Pathway. 15 bonded CSPs are reserved for graduates of the La Trobe University's Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences (Medical) degree. The

other 15 bonded Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) will be available for students who have completed an undergraduate degree with a minimum GPA of 5.0 or above and are able to demonstrate their rural origins and pass a rural specific multi-mini Interview.

# How to apply for the MD Rural Pathway

- 1. Applications must be submitted directly to the University of Melbourne at https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6
- 2. Supporting documents will need to be uploaded to the online application to demonstrate the applicant's rurality
- 3. Applications must be submitted by 5:00pm AEST on Friday 31 May 2024
- 4. If selected for an interview, MD Rural applicants may be asked to provide a personal statement regarding their connection with their rural or regional community.

#### Please note:

- Eligible applicants for the MD Rural Pathway are not required to apply via GEMSAS nor sit the GAMSAT if the MD Rural Pathway option is their only preference.
- Rural applicants wishing to also be considered via the University of Melbourne's non-MD Rural Pathway or by other medical schools (in addition to the University of Melbourne) should consult the relevant entries in this Guide for application details.

#### Interview

Multi Mini Interviews (MMI): The interview component will be an eight station Multiple Mini Interview. Each station takes approximately five minutes and has a single interviewer.

The MMI aims to assess non-academic qualities including cultural sensitivity, maturity, collaboration, reliability and communication skills.

The stations could include practical tasks, commenting on short films, or explaining your thinking.

Further important information on how the MMI is applied to guaranteed entry and GEMSAS applications can be found here: https://go.unimelb.edu.au/m7ki

#### Offers

Interview offers will be made on the basis of a combined ranked list using weighted GPA and the GAMSAT score (where each of the three sections is weighted equally). The GPA and GAMSAT score are weighted equally to create the ranked list for interview.

Course offers will be made on the basis of a combined ranked list where ranks by GAMSAT will be weighted by 25%, GPA by 25%, and interview by 50%. Eligible Guaranteed Entry and Indigenous applications will not be subject to ranking. Eligible rural background applicants may be selected above higher-ranked applicants, in order to satisfy the University's rural-background quota.

# **Conditional offers**

If an offer is made where a degree is not yet complete, the offer will be conditional. When the degree is completed and the final results are received a final GPA will be calculated. Applicants will be expected to maintain or exceed the GPA used when shortlisted for interview. An applicant whose final GPA drops, but only by 0.3 or less, will in most cases have their offer confirmed. If conditions aren't met by the specified date on the offer letter the offer will be withdrawn.

Applicants who, in the event of receiving a course offer, intend to take an early exit from a combined degree (bachelor/bachelor double degree) and complete a single degree must declare this when submitting their application.

Successful applicants are required to meet this condition by Monday, 6th January 2025.

For further information, refer to the MD Selection Guidelines: https://go.unimelb.edu.au/m7ki

Prerequisite subjects and equivalents	As of the 2022 intake and onwards, applicants will not be required to complete prerequisite subjects for the Doctor of Medicine.		
equivalents	These changes are in line with the proposed updates to the curriculum: <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/s2ur">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/s2ur</a>		
Selection Criteria	For detailed selection criteria, refer to the following resources:		
	Doctor of Medicine webpage		
	University of Melbourne handbook		
Core Participation Requirements	All applicants must familiarise themselves with the <u>Doctor of Medicine Core Participation</u> <u>Requirements</u> before applying to enter the MD at Melbourne.		
	This document outlines the aptitude required to achieve the necessary attributes to progress through the course.		
	All successful applicants will be asked to acknowledge that they have read and understood the Core Participation Requirements of the MD before commencing the course.		
International students	International applicants should refer to the University of Melbourne's International Admissions Guide when applying for the Doctor of Medicine found online at: <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6</a>		
	Note:		
	<ol> <li>International students must submit their application directly to the University of Melbourne at <a href="https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6">https://go.unimelb.edu.au/88b6</a></li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Applications must be submitted by 5:00pm AEST on Saturday 15 June 2024.</li> <li>International students may apply for the Doctor of Medicine with either a score from GAMSAT or MCAT</li> </ol>		
	<ul> <li>a. Note: international applicants with an MCAT cannot be considered if they are residing in Australia at the time of application (these applicants must apply with GAMSAT).</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>b. International applicants who use the MCAT must achieve a minimum score of at least 492 in order to be considered eligible for entry.</li> </ul>		
	<ol> <li>Applicants who have undertaken their undergraduate studies in a language other than English should consult the University of Melbourne's website for information about minimum English language requirements.</li> </ol>		
	Find out more about English language requirements		
English Language Proficiency	Applicants who have completed their undergraduate degree, or a graduate degree of at least two years duration, where the degree was taught and assessed entirely in English^, may satisfy the University's English requirements if you fulfil the following:		
	If the degree was completed:		
	<ul> <li>within two years of your commencement to study at the University of Melbourne, no additional evidence of English language proficiency is required</li> <li>between two and five years of your commencement to study at the University of Melbourne, evidence of work** in an English-speaking environment is required</li> <li>more than five years of your commencement to study at the University of Melbourne, evidence that sustained work** in a designated country1.2, in an English-speaking environment, has been undertaken since completing the degree will be required.</li> </ul>		

# Applicants who have completed a graduate degree of at least 1 years duration

For graduate applicants who have satisfactorily completed a graduate degree of at least one years' duration, where the degree was taught and assessed entirely in English and the English language entry standard for the completed degree was at least IELTS (Academic) overall band score 6.5 or equivalent.

If the degree was completed:

- **Within two years** of your commencement to study at the University of Melbourne, no additional evidence of English language proficiency is required
- Between two and five years of your commencement to study at the University of Melbourne, evidence of work\*\* in an English-speaking environment is required
- More than five years of your commencement to study at the University of Melbourne, evidence that sustained work\* in a designated country<sup>1,2</sup>, in an English-speaking environment, has been undertaken since completing the degree will be required.

To find out English language tests scores required for entry to graduate courses, see <u>coursespecific requirements</u>.

If you don't meet these requirements, there are additional English programs and tests you can take. See Other ways to satisfy English language requirements.

- <sup>1</sup> English speaking countries: Antigua + Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Canada (excluding Quebec), Cook Islands, Dominica, Federal States of Micronesia, Fiji, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Ireland, Singapore, Solomon Islands, St Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales), United States of America
- <sup>2</sup> Predominantly English-speaking countries: Botswana, Canada (Quebec), Ethiopia, Ghana, Hong Kong, Israel, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Malta, Mauritius, Namibia, Nauru, Nigeria, Palau, Philippines, Samoa, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, The Gambia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
- \*\*\*Evidence of work: sufficient documentation includes an up-to-date resume
- ^ This option is not available if the institution is in China, India, Nepal or Pakistan.

Applicants who have not completed undergraduate studies in English can satisfy the English Language Requirements in a number of ways and must provide evidence to support this upon receipt of an offer at the University of Melbourne.

Find out more about English language requirements

# Open Days and Information Sessions

You can find out more about the University of Melbourne's Doctor of Medicine at Open Day and through Information Sessions run throughout the year.

Register for Open Day

Register for upcoming information sessions

# THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, FREMANTLE MD PROGRAM

The information below only applies to The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle MD Program. Applicants to The University of Notre Dame Australia, Sydney MD Program, must read the separate section contained in this Guide.

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The Objects of The University of Notre Dame Australia are:	<ul> <li>a. The provision of university education, within a context of Catholic faith and values; and</li> <li>b. The provision of an excellent standard of: <ul> <li>i. teaching, scholarship and research;</li> <li>ii. training for the professions; and</li> <li>iii. pastoral care for its students.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Contact details:	Telephone	(08) 9433 0537
Contact details:	Email	medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au
	Web	https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of- medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine
Places Available in 2025*	*The expected number of change.	places available for the Doctor of Medicine (MD) in 2025 is subject to
	CSP	81
	ВМР	29
	Full-fee International	Up to 20
	Campus	places are reserved for the Rural Training Stream on the Broome 5% of Commonwealth Supported Places will be allocated to applicants ground
Fee-type and Quotas	Applicants must specify which fee-type places they are applying for. Applicants will not be considered for places they have not selected. Offers will be made in the following order: CSP first and BMP second.	
Change of Fee-Type Preferences	No fee-type changes whatsoever will be allowed for Commonwealth Supported (bonded or non-bonded) places.	
Transfer of Offer between Notre Dame's Fremantle, Broome and Sydney campuses	Applicants should not preference a given campus unless they are willing and able to commit to the full duration of the Doctor of Medicine program at that campus. Transfer between campuses is granted only in the most exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the School of Medicine. Applicants are advised not to expect it.	
Admission Process	All applicants must complete the online GEMSAS Application that will include questions related to rurality, Western Australian residency, and Higher Degrees by Research. The application process may differ for the new Broome Rural Training Scheme. See the Rural Training Scheme section for further information.	
	Candidates are ranked for 30:30:30:10:	interview by the standardised result of four components, weighted
	of the GAMSAT. <b>Appli</b>	GAMSAT score: Notre Dame will take an average of the three sections cants must achieve a total score of at least 52 with a minimum of 50 be considered eligible for entry;

- Grade Point Average (GPA): Applicants must achieve a weighted GPA of at least 5.2, from three years full-time equivalent (FTE) with no more than one year of credit below AQF Level 7 to be considered eligible for entry;
- CASPER score; and
- Bonus points for rurality, WA residency and HDR completion

Interviewees are ranked for offer by a combination of the GAMSAT, GPA, CASPER and bonus points (50%) and interview (50%).

• Interview (Multi Mini Interview): Is delivered via a recorded online platform. There will be at least seven stations with a single interviewer / assessor per station.

# Qualifying Bachelor Degree

Applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, a minimum three-year full-time equivalent (FTE) undergraduate degree.

Applicants who do not have a three-year FTE undergraduate degree, but who have, via multiple complete qualifications, achieved a total of three years' study at AQF Level 7 or higher may also be eligible, subject to the conditions stated below.

### **Vertical Double / Combined Degrees**

An undergraduate / postgraduate combined degree – consisting of at least two undergraduate years plus at least one postgraduate year – must be complete by 31 December 2024. Completion of the undergraduate component alone will be deemed insufficient unless the applicant has been approved by the conferring institution to exit the qualification early with a three-year FTE degree.

### **Accelerated Degrees**

An accelerated degree consists of three trimesters per year completed in two years. Applicants in the final year of an accelerated degree must be due to complete the degree by 31 December 2024.

### **Conversion Degrees**

A conversion degree will be eligible as a qualifying degree if it is preceded by a relevant diploma or succeeded by a completed minimum one-year FTE postgraduate degree in a related discipline or field.

### **Prior Credit towards Qualifying Bachelor's Degree**

Applicants who have completed a three-year FTE Bachelor's degree but have been awarded credit for prior academic learning are generally required to have completed at least two years of full-time study within their awarding institution. We also recognise up to one year of prior credit, from below AQF Level 7 study, towards the completion of an undergraduate degree. Applicants who do not meet this requirement may be deemed ineligible.

#### Applicants in the Final Year of the Qualifying Degree

Applicants who are enrolled in the final year of a three-year FTE undergraduate degree must complete all requirements of the degree successfully, including any Study Abroad components, as at 31 December 2024. As the MD program commences in early 2025, an extension cannot be granted in any circumstances. Where deferred or supplementary exams are scheduled after 31 December 2024, the applicant will be deemed not to have completed all requirements of the degree as at 31 December 2024. As such, applicants must note the stipulated deadlines carefully if, and when, requesting deferred or supplementary exams.

Where an applicant is in the third year of a three-year FTE degree, the final-year GPA will be calculated from the grades available at the time of assessment. Results for Semester One, 2024, must be available by 31 July 2024 to be used in the GPA calculation for interview ranking. Some institutions changed their grading system to pass / fail for Semester One, 2020 or for the whole of 2020. These qualifications will still be accepted, provided they remain a minimum three-year FTE undergraduate degree, or other accepted qualifying degree.

	Offers to candidates completing their degree in 2024 will be conditional upon maintenance of a competitive GPA and documentary evidence to GEMSAS of degree completion prior to 31 December 2024. Where relevant, this documentary evidence includes results from all Study Abroad components of their degree. As such, applicants must note their international institution's timeframe for supplying results.	
GPA Calculation	An applicant's GPA will, subject to the exclusions below, be calculated on the most recent three years FTE of study of completed / completing degrees at AQF Level 7 or above. All grades / results (including fail grades, if applicable) from the most recent three FTE years of completed / completing study will be used. GPAs will be calculated using Bachelor, Honours, Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, and Masters by coursework degrees. Eligible postgraduate qualifications must be complete by 31 July 2024 to be used in the GPA calculation. Not-for-Degree and single-unit study that is not credited to a degree will be included if it is completed at a minimum AQF Level 7 at a TEQSA-accredited institution.	
	Masters by research, Doctoral degrees, and study below Bachelor AQF Level 7 will not be used in the GPA calculation.	
	Domestic qualifications must be completed at a TEQSA-accredited institution. International qualifications must be deemed comparable by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR).	
	GPA years will be progressively weighted Final-minus-2 $\times$ 1, Final-minus-1 $\times$ 2 and Final $\times$ 3, to give greatest weight to the most recent results.	
	For more information regarding GPA calculations and this terminology please refer to the GPA Guides on the GEMSAS Website: <a href="http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/">http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/</a>	
	Masters by Research or Doctoral degrees, classified by the host institution as Course Complete (or equivalent) by 31 July 2024, will be awarded bonus points. These qualifications will not be used for GPA calculations.	
Currency of	Notre Dame requires qualifying degrees to be completed after 31 May 2014.	
Qualification	Applicants whose qualifying degrees were completed before 31 May 2014, must have, between 31 May 2014 and 31 July 2024, successfully completed a 0.5-year FTE Graduate Certificate or the equivalent duration at AQF Level 8 or above or the equivalent of one-year FTE study at Bachelor Level AQF 7 as defined by the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) or for international qualifications, defined by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR).	
Casper	Casper is an online video-based scenario, situational judgement test and is designed to evaluate aspects of your social intelligence and professionalism such as ethics, empathy, problem-solving and collaboration. It asks what you would do in a tough situation and, more importantly, why.	
	Casper dates for the 2024-2025 cycle are as follows:  Tuesday 16 April 2024 - 9am AEST  Wednesday 1 May 2024 - 7pm AEST  Sunday 26 May 2024 - 10am AEST  Thursday 6 June 2024 - 7pm AEST	
Higher Degrees (Doctoral Degrees and Masters)	Masters by Research or Doctoral degrees, classified by the host institution as Course Complete (or equivalent) by 31 July 2024, will be awarded bonus points.	
Rural Training	The Kimberley Centre for Remote Medical Training (KCRMT)	
Scheme Applicants	The KCRMT will host a new end to end (4 year) medical program for up to 26 students for commencing MD program in 2025. It is designed to increase access to the MD for students from rural communities and build a future medical workforce, particularly for the Broome/Kimberley/Pilbara regions, and provide the students with the opportunity to complete all their medical training in regional WA.	

	Entry requirements	
	In addition to the entry requirements above, applicants to the KCRMT Rural Training Scheme will be considered on their First Nations, equity rural background and ranked according to a tiered priority system.	
	Please be aware the preference place for The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle Campus may be taken into account when ranking applicants for interview and / or place offers for the Rural Training Scheme.	
	Visit <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa">https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa</a> for more information on entry requirements for the KCRMT scheme.	
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Applicants	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants can apply through GEMSAS or seek advice on alternate pathways by contacting the Admissions Office at <a href="mailto:medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au">medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au</a> . For more alternative pathways information please visit: <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-to-medicine">https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-to-medicine</a>	
Rural Applicants	The equivalent of at least 28.5% of the University's Commonwealth-supported medical student allocation must be of rural background as defined by the Rural Health Multidisciplinary Training (RHMT) Program.	
	If you come from a rural background (MM2 to 7 area) and wish for this to be considered in your application, you will need to provide documentary evidence to GEMSAS and meet the eligibility requirements as defined by the RHMT Program. Eligibility requirements are detailed by GEMSAS in this publication.	
	Applicants of a demonstrated rural background will receive bonus points and may also be eligible for the Rural Training Scheme.	
Western Australian Residency Scheme	Applicants who have resided cumulatively in Western Australia for 10 years or more as at 31 May 2024, may receive bonus points applicable to the interview ranking. Specific documented evidence of residency will be requested from applicants who are offered an interview. If an applicant cannot supply the required documentation, they may no longer be eligible for the interview.	
Facilitated Interview Pathways	The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle Campus offers a number of facilitated interview pathways (FIP), including:	
,	UNDA graduates (undergraduate degree)	
	UNDA Graduate Diploma of Health and Medical Sciences graduates	
	UNDA Pre-Medicine Certificate graduates	
	All applicants need to meet standard entry requirements outlined in the guide above, along with the FIP-specific requirements outlined on the Doctor of Medicine, Fremantle Campus webpage: <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa">https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa</a>	
Interview	Approximately 200-250* applicants will be interviewed.  General Stream	
	Applicants are ranked for interview by the standardised results of the combined GAMSAT, GPA, Casper and bonus points, weighted 30:30:30:10.	
	Rural Training Stream	
	Please visit <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa">https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa</a> for more information on entry requirements for the KCRMT scheme.	

Interview offers will be made in September 2024. The interview will be online Multi-Mini Interview (MMI). Further details regarding any changes to the interview process or substitution of a suitable alternative will be provided on the School's website. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they inform themselves of these possible alternatives or updates by checking the website regularly.

\*Subject to change.

The University of Notre Dame Australia reserves the right to offer additional interviews to applicants from alternative / facilitated pathways.

General Stream

General Stream

Interviewees are ranked by offer by a combination of the GAMSAT, GPA, CASPER and bonus points scores (50%) and interview (50%).

# **Rural Training Stream**

Please visit <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa">https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine-wa</a> for more information on entry requirements for the KCRMT scheme.

Both interview and place offers are made via email to the email address provided by the applicant in their application.

If no acceptance is received from an applicant within the stipulated timeframe, the offer will no longer be valid.

Offers to successful candidates completing their degrees in 2024 will be conditional upon maintenance of a competitive GPA. Offers will be conditional until evidence is received by GEMSAS from the applicant that the applicant has achieved the required GPA as stated in the offer letter. Applicants who are conditionally offered are encouraged to approach their conferring institutions to ensure that their completion will be confirmed by 31 December 2024.

Under no circumstances will offers to study the Doctor of Medicine at Notre Dame, Fremantle be deferred. Leave of Absences will not be granted to facilitate a deferral.

# International Students

Places for international students in 2025 are not available through the GEMSAS application process. International applicants may contact the University's International Admissions Office at <a href="mailto:international@nd.edu.au">international@nd.edu.au</a> for information on how to apply.

# Undergraduate Pathways to Medicine

#### **Priority Pathway**

A priority pathway is available for graduates who consistently achieve top results throughout their undergraduate Bachelor of Biomedical Science degree (including biomedical science double degrees) at The University of Notre Dame Australia. These candidates are eligible to apply to the MD via the Doctor of Medicine admission process.

For more information on undergraduate pathways to Medicine, please visit: <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-to-medicine">https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-to-medicine</a>

# Medicine Information Session

Details and registration available at <a href="https://events.nd.edu.au/doctor-of-medicine">https://events.nd.edu.au/doctor-of-medicine</a>

The Medicine Info Session provides an opportunity to:

- Learn more about studying the Doctor of Medicine at Notre Dame at each of our Campuses
- Find out important information on how to apply
- Hear from current MD students and their experience studying at Notre Dame

For other upcoming events, visit <a href="www.notredame.edu.au/events">www.notredame.edu.au/events</a>

Changes / Updates	All information in this guide is subject to change. Any changes made during the 2024 application round in response to government restrictions will be made available on our website at <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine">https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine</a>
Verification	In fairness to all applicants, all information and documentation (material) submitted in support of an application will be subject to strict verification and checking processes. In the event that any material is not verified, the University may request further additional documentation, seek clarification and / or take any action in relation to the application, at any stage in the process that it deems appropriate. Please do not provide documents directly to Notre Dame unless specifically requested.
Feedback	Individual advice or feedback, including individual scores or rankings, will not be provided to applicants during the application process or at the conclusion of the application cycle. Average GPA and GAMSAT scores of the successful cohort will be published.

# THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, SYDNEY MD PROGRAM

The information below only applies to The University of Notre Dame Australia (UNDA), Sydney MD Program. Applicants to The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle MD Program, must read the separate section contained in this Guide.

The Objects of The	<ul><li>a. The provision of university education, within a context of Catholic faith and values; and</li><li>b. The provision of an excellent standard of:</li></ul>		
University of Notre Dame Australia are:			
Danie Australia are.	_	olarship and research;	
	ii. training for the professions; and		
	iii. pastoral care for its students.		
Contact details:	Telephone	(02) 8204 4430	
	Email	medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au	
	Web	https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/sydney/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-of-medicine	
Places Available in 2025*	*The expected number of places available for the Doctor of Medicine (MD) in 2025 is subject to change.		
	CSP	43	
	ВМР	17	
	Full-fee Domestic	Up to 60	
	Full-fee International	Up to 60	
	<ul> <li>order: CSP first, BMP second and full-fee third.</li> <li>A minimum of 28.5% of Commonwealth Supported Places will be allocated to applicants from a rural background.</li> </ul>		
Change of Fee-Type Preferences	No fee-type changes whatsoever will be allowed for Commonwealth Supported (bonded or non-bonded) places.		
	The only permissible request for fee-type change is a request to add or remove the full-fee category. However, applicants must note that <i>only</i> one change per application per year is permissible. All changes must be submitted by email no later than 4pm (AEST) on 2 October 2024 Requests received after this date / time will not be considered.		
	To submit a change of fee-type preference for Notre Dame Sydney, please email Admissions at <a href="mailto:medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au">medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au</a> . All changes will be confirmed by the University via email.		
Transfer of Offer between Notre Dame's Fremantle and Sydney campuses	Applicants should not preference a given campus unless they are willing and able to commit to the full duration of the Doctor of Medicine program at that campus. Transfer between campuses is granted only in the most exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the School of Medicine. Applicants are advised not to expect it.		
Admission Process	All applicants (including CSP, BMP and Full-Fee-paying) must complete the online GEMSAS Application that will include questions related to rurality and Higher Degrees by Research.		
	Candidates are ranked for interview by the standardised result of four components weighted 30:30:30:10:		

- Unweighted average GAMSAT score: Notre Dame will take an average of the three sections
  of the GAMSAT. Applicants must achieve a total score of at least 52 with a minimum of 50 in
  each subsection to be considered eligible for entry;
- Grade Point Average (GPA): Applicants must achieve a weighted GPA of at least 5.2, from three years full-time equivalent (FTE) of study with no more than one year of credit below AQF Level 7 to be considered eligible for entry;
- CASPER score; and
- Bonus points for rurality and HDR completion

Interviewees are ranked for offer by a combination of the GAMSAT, GPA, CASPER and bonus points (50%) and interview (50%).

Interview (Multi Mini Interview): Since 2020 this has been delivered via a recorded online platform and an online platform delivery is continuing in 2024. There will be at least seven stations with a single interviewer / assessor per station.

# Qualifying Bachelor Degree

Applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, a minimum three-year FTE undergraduate degree.

Applicants who do not have a three-year FTE undergraduate degree, but who have, via multiple complete qualification, achieved a total of three years' study at AQF Level 7 or higher may also be eligible, subject to the conditions stated below.

### **Vertical Double / Combined Degrees**

An undergraduate / postgraduate combined degree – consisting of at least two undergraduate years plus at least one postgraduate year – must be complete by 31 December 2024. Completion of the undergraduate component alone will be deemed insufficient, unless the applicant has been approved by the conferring institution to exit the qualification early with a three-year FTE degree.

#### **Accelerated Degrees**

An accelerated degree consists of three trimesters per year completed in two years. Applicants in the final year of an accelerated degree must be due to complete the degree by 31 December 2024.

# **Conversion Degrees**

A conversion degree will be eligible as a qualifying degree if it is preceded by a relevant diploma or succeeded by a completed minimum one-year FTE postgraduate degree in a related discipline or field.

### **Prior Credit towards Qualifying Bachelor's Degree**

Applicants who have completed a three-year FTE Bachelor's degree, but have been awarded credit for prior academic learning, are generally required to have completed at least two years of full-time study within their awarding institution. We also recognise up to one year of prior credit, from below AQF Level 7 study, towards the completion of an undergraduate degree. Applicants who do not meet this requirement may be deemed ineligible.

#### **Applicants in the Final Year of the Qualifying Degree**

Applicants who are enrolled in the final year of a three-year FTE undergraduate degree must complete all requirements of the degree successfully, including any Study Abroad components, as at 31 December 2024. As the MD program commences in early 2025, an extension cannot be granted in any circumstances. Where deferred or supplementary exams are scheduled after 31 December 2024, the applicant will be deemed not to have completed all requirements of the degree as at 31 December 2024. As such, applicants must note the stipulated deadlines carefully if and when requesting deferred or supplementary exams.

Where an applicant is in the third year of a three-year FTE degree, the final-year GPA will be calculated from the grades available at the time of assessment. Results for Semester One, 2024, must be available by 31 July 2024 to be used in the GPA calculation for interview ranking. Some institutions changed their grading system to pass / fail for Semester One, 2020 or for the whole of

	2020. These qualifications will still be accepted, provided they remain a minimum three-year FTE undergraduate degree, or other accepted qualifying degree.		
	Offers to candidates completing their degree in 2024 will be conditional upon maintenance of a competitive GPA and documentary evidence to GEMSAS of degree completion prior to 31 December 2024. Where relevant, this documentary evidence includes results from all Study Abroad components of their degree. As such, applicants must note their international institution's timeframe for supplying results.		
GPA Calculation	An applicant's GPA will, subject to the exclusions below, be calculated on the most recent three years FTE of study of completed / completing degrees at AQF Level 7 or above. All grades / results (including fail grades, if applicable) from the most recent three years FTE of completed / completing study will be used. GPAs will be calculated using Bachelor, Honours, Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, and Masters by coursework degrees only. Eligible postgraduate qualifications must be complete by 31 July 2024 to be used in the GPA calculation. Not-for-Degree and single-unit study that is not credited to a degree will be included if it is completed at a minimum AQF Level 7 at a TEQSA-accredited institution.		
	Masters by research, Doctoral degrees, and study below Bachelor AQF Level 7 will not be used in the GPA calculation.		
	Domestic qualifications must be completed at a TEQSA-accredited institution. International qualifications must be deemed comparable by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR).		
	GPA years will be progressively weighted Final-minus-2 $\times$ 1, Final-minus-1 $\times$ 2 and Final $\times$ 3, to give greatest weight to the most recent results.		
	For more information regarding GPA calculations and this terminology please refer to the GPA Guides on the GEMSAS Website: <a href="http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/">http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/</a> .		
	Masters by Research or Doctoral degrees, classified by the host institution as Course Complete (or equivalent) by 31 July 2024, will be awarded bonus points. These qualifications will not be used for GPA calculations.		
Currency of	Notre Dame requires qualifying degrees to be completed after 31 May 2014.		
Qualification	Applicants whose qualifying degrees were completed before 31 May 2014, must have, between 31 May 2014 and 31 July 2024, successfully completed a 0.5-year FTE Graduate Certificate or the equivalent duration at AQF Level 8 or above or the equivalent of one-year FTE study at Bachelor Level AQF 7 as defined by the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) or for international qualifications, defined by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR).		
Casper	Casper is an online video-based scenario, situational judgement test and is designed to evaluate aspects of your social intelligence and professionalism such as ethics, empathy, problem-solving and collaboration. It asks what you would do in a tough situation, and more importantly, why.		
	<u>Casper</u> dates for the 2024-2025 cycle are as follows:		
	<ul> <li>Tuesday 16 April 2024 - 9am AEST</li> <li>Wednesday 1 May 2024 - 7pm AEST</li> <li>Sunday 26 May 2024 - 10am AEST</li> <li>Thursday 6 June 2024 - 7pm AEST</li> </ul>		
Higher Degrees (Doctoral Degrees and Masters)	Masters by Research or Doctoral degrees, classified by the host institution as Course Complete (or equivalent) by 31 July 2024, will be awarded bonus points.		
Rural Training	The Kimberley Centre for Remote Medical Training (KCRMT)		
Scheme Applicants	The KCRMT will host a new end to end (4 year) medical program for up to 26 students for commencing MD program in 2025. It is designed to increase access to the MD for students from rural communities and build a future medical workforce, particularly for the		

Broome/Kimberley/Pilbara regions, and provide the students with the opportunity to complete all their medical training in regional WA. This Rural Training Scheme is only available via the Fremantle Campus. Please review the information in The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle Campus section of the guide. Further information on this Rural Training Scheme can also be found on the Notre Dame website: https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-ofmedicine-wa Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants can apply through GEMSAS or seek advice on **Aboriginal and** alternate pathways by contacting the Admissions Office at medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au. For **Torres Strait** more alternative pathways information please visit: **Islander Applicants** https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-tomedicine The equivalent of at least 28.5% of the University's Commonwealth-supported medical student **Rural Applicants** allocation must be of rural background as defined by the Rural Health Multidisciplinary Training (RHMT) Program. If you come from a rural background (MM2 to 7 area) and wish this to be taken into account in your application, you will need to provide documentary evidence to GEMSAS and meet the eligibility requirements as defined by the RHMT Program. Eligibility requirements are detailed by GEMSAS in this publication. Applicants of demonstrated rural background will receive bonus points. The University of Notre Dame Australia, Sydney Campus offers a number of facilitated interview **Facilitated** pathways (FIP), including: **Interview Pathways** UNDA graduates (undergraduate degree) UNDA Graduate Diploma of Health and Medical Sciences graduates University of Technology Sydney (UTS) Bachelor of Advanced Science (Pre-medicine stream) graduates Australian Catholic University (ACU) Bachelor of Biomedical Science graduates All applicants need to meet standard entry requirements outlined in the guide above, along with the FIP-specific requirements outlined on the Doctor of Medicine, Sydney Campus webpage: https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/school-of-medicine/postgraduate/doctor-ofmedicine-nsw. Applicants are ranked for interview by the standardised results of the combined GAMSAT, GPA, Interview (MMI) Casper and bonus points, weighted 30:30:30:10. Approximately 300\* applicants will be interviewed. Interview offers will be made in September 2024. The interview will be online Multi-Mini Interview (MMI). Further details regarding any changes to the interview process or substitution of a suitable alternative will be provided on the School's website. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they inform themselves of these possible alternatives or updates by checking the website regularly. \*Subject to change. The University of Notre Dame Australia reserves the right to offer additional interviews to applicants from alternative/facilitated pathways. Interviewees are ranked for offer by a combination of the GAMSAT, GPA, CASPER scores and Offers Bonus points (50%) and interview (50%). Both interview and place offers are made via email to the email address provided by the applicant in his or her application. If no acceptance is received from an applicant within the stipulated timeframe, the offer will no longer be valid.

	Offers to successful candidates completing their degrees in 2024 will be conditional upon			
	maintenance of a competitive GPA. Offers will be conditional until evidence is received by GEMSAS from the applicant that the applicant has achieved the required GPA as stated in the offer letter. Applicants who are conditionally-offered are encouraged to approach their conferring institutions to ensure that their completion will be confirmed by 31 December 2024.			
	Under no circumstances will offers to study the Doctor of Medicine at Notre Dame, Sydney be deferred. Leave of Absences will not be granted to facilitate a deferral.			
International Students	Places for international students in 2025 are not offered through the GEMSAS application process. International applicants may contact the University's International Admissions Office at <a href="mailto:international@nd.edu.au">international@nd.edu.au</a> for information on how to apply.			
Undergraduate	Assured Pathway			
Pathways to Medicine	An assured pathway into the postgraduate Doctor of Medicine is available for high-achieving school leavers who meet the admission requirements for Notre Dame's Bachelor of Biomedical Science – Assured Pathway or the Bachelor of Advanced Biomedical Science (Honours) – Assured Pathway to MD.			
	Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 each semester throughout their undergraduate degree in order to proceed into Doctor of Medicine program.			
	Applications for the Assured Pathway for the Sydney Campus are through the University Admissions Centre (UAC) only.			
	Priority Pathway			
	A priority pathway is available for graduates who consistently achieve top results throughout their undergraduate Bachelor of Biomedical Science degree (including biomedical science double degrees) at The University of Notre Dame Australia. These candidates are eligible to apply to the MD via the Doctor of Medicine admission process.			
	For more information on undergraduate pathways to medicine: <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-to-medicine">https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/pathways/pathways-to-medicine</a>			
Medicine	Details and registration available at <a href="https://events.nd.edu.au/doctor-of-medicine">https://events.nd.edu.au/doctor-of-medicine</a>			
Information Session	The Medicine Info Session provides an opportunity to:			
	<ul> <li>Learn more about studying the Doctor of Medicine at Notre Dame at each of our Campuses</li> </ul>			
	Find out important information on how to apply			
	Hear from current MD students and their experience studying at Notre Dame			
	For other upcoming events, visit <a href="https://www.notredame.edu.au/events">www.notredame.edu.au/events</a>			
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# THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

#### MEDICAL SCHOOL

Contact details:	Telephone	(07) 3365 2203	
	Email	admissions@uq.edu.au	
	Web	https://study.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine	
		https://study.uq.edu.au/contact	
Graduate Entry	Numbers are indicative only and are subject to annual variations		
Places Available in 2025	Graduate CSP (including Greater Brisbane, Central Queensland – Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway, Darling Downs – South West Medical Pathway, and rural quota)	114	
	Graduate BMP (including Greater Brisbane, Central Queensland – Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway, Darling Downs – South West Medical Pathway, and rural quota)	46 (28.5%)	
	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	No set quota	
	International (includes MD (Ochsner))	190	
Bachelor Degree/	The first key degree must be a Bachelor level degree (minimum 3 years full-time study). After		

### Bachelor Degree/ GPA

The first key degree must be a Bachelor level degree (minimum 3 years full-time study). After the completion of an acceptable first key degree, a subsequent key degree can be undertaken which may include a new Bachelor degree, Honours degree, Postgraduate Diploma, Masters, or Doctoral degree. Where multiple key degrees have been completed, the most recently completed key degree will be used as the basis of the GPA assessment.

A subsequent key degree must be completed at the end of Semester 1 in the year of application to be included in the assessment.

Applicants must have achieved a UQ equivalent GPA of 5.0/7.0 or above in the designated key degree.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: Competitive applicants with a GEMSAS GPA of between 5.0/7.0 and 5.75/7.0 will be reviewed to determine equivalency to the UQ GPA assessment method as outlined in the University Policy and Procedure (PPL) <u>3.40.06 Undergraduate</u>, <u>Doctor of Medicine</u>, <u>Non-Award and CSP Admissions</u>. There will be no variation to the GPA assessment methodology for periods of study that were affected by COVID-19.

The GPA for the UQ preference is calculated over the entire duration of the degree. All subjects studied while enrolled in the key degree are included in the GPA calculation, regardless of whether they counted towards the award of the degree. Any other study for which credit was given towards the degree must also be included, this includes failed attempts at subjects in earlier degrees that were repeated and passed to attain credit in the new degree. Where the degree was completed as part of a combined, dual, or parallel degree, all subjects studied towards both degrees are included in the calculation of the GPA. This includes dual Bachelor/Master degrees that have an integrated delivery of content.

UQ's GPA assessments are weighted by credit value of the subjects rather than the year in which the subjects were completed. Letter grades are used in all GPA calculations by UQ. Percentages are only used when equivalent letter grades are unavailable.

Applicants are advised not to include a UQ preference if in the year of application their first key degree cannot be completed with a minimum GPA of 5.0/7.0 by 31 December.

# Current study assessments

UQ will only consider a current study assessment if:

- 1. The applicant is currently completing their first key degree, and
- 2. The applicant is in their final year of study in the first key degree, and
- 3. The progressive GPA of the first key degree is above 5.0, and
- 4. The first key degree is expected to be completed before 31 December in the year of application.

A conditional offer made based on a current study assessment will be withdrawn if either the minimum overall GPA of 5.0 is not achieved or the first key degree is not completed by 31 December in the year of application.

# Currency of qualification

If an applicant's key degree was completed more than 10 years prior to the proposed commencement date, it will not be accepted for admission unless the applicant has completed at least half (0.50) a full-time equivalent year (FTE) of subsequent coursework study (at bachelor level or higher) with a UQ equivalent GPA 5.00/7.00. This additional period of study must have been completed in the 10 years preceding commencement of the MD.

Any credit received from prior studies or work experience will not contribute to the 0.50 FTE requirement or the assessed GPA.

The grades from these additional studies will not be included in the key degree's GPA assessment.

#### **GAMSAT**

Applicants must achieve a minimum score of 50 in each section. Applicants with any section score below 50 are deemed ineligible. UQ uses an unweighted GAMSAT score (an average of the three sections rounded to six decimal places).

# Prerequisite subjects and equivalents

Applicants require two science prerequisites in cell and tissue biology, and systems physiology completed at second year undergraduate level. Prerequisite subjects must be completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Medicine program (i.e., commencing in 2025, the prerequisite subjects are accepted if they were completed from 2015 onwards.

Approved prerequisite equivalent subjects information is available here.

If your subject prerequisite course/s are not listed on our website, you must apply for an assessment to be conducted by the University of Queensland. **Submit your documentation to UQ by 1 May in the year of application**. Requests for prerequisite assessments take approximately 4 to 6 weeks.

**IMPORTANT:** Applicants who have not submitted documentation for assessment by the due date (1 May) will be deemed to have failed the prerequisite requirements and will not be eligible for selection into the MD.

At the time of application, if you have not completed the prerequisite subjects or equivalent you must enrol in these subjects by the end of July (in the year of application), and list them in the **Education section** of the GEMSAS Online Application Form or by advising GEMSAS (<a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a>) by 31st July. GEMSAS can retrieve your enrolment records through Automated Results Transfer System (if your institution uses ARTS). For non-ARTS institutions, applicants must provide proof of enrolment as supporting documentation.

For those enrolling in prerequisite subjects in 2024, the results must be available by Tuesday 31 December 2024.

Note: Applicants planning on taking an early exit or alternative award should check that the early exit or alternative award will still meet the required prerequisites.

# Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Applicants

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants can submit their application directly to UQ's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit, information about the process is here.

Sitting the GAMSAT is not compulsory for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants at UQ. However, it is recommended that applicants who choose to undertake the GAMSAT apply through GEMSAS and include UQ as a preference, in addition to submitting a direct entry application to UQ.

Central Queensland -Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway (RMP)

and

Darling Downs – South West Medical Pathway (MP) The University of Queensland has partnered with regional Hospital and Health Services to secure long-term locally trained workforces to deliver positive, sustained improvements in the health outcomes for the regional, rural and remote communities of Queensland.

To apply for these pathways, you must select UQ as your first, second or third preference (1, 2 or 3). On the UQ preference page you can select the Doctor of Medicine – Regional Queensland pathway and preferred region. Region preference options will be linked with Tier eligibility. Region preferences will be considered; however, we cannot guarantee you will receive an offer for that region. If you are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer in this pathway, you will be considered for Greater Brisbane pathway.

Selected applicants for the Central Queensland-Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway will complete all 4 years of their medical studies Central Queensland or Wide Bay. Selected applicants for the Darling Downs – South West Medical Pathway will commence Year 1 in Brisbane and then complete their medical studies (years 2 – 4) in Darling Downs – South West (DD-SW).

Applicants will be considered on the following criteria:

### RMP Tier 1: Applicants from Central Queensland - Wide Bay

Applicants who have resided in Central Queensland and Wide Bay region for 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively. Refer to the Location Eligibility information here.

### MP Tier 1: Applicants from Darling Downs - South West

Applicants who have resided in Darling Downs and South West region for 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively. Refer to the Location Eligibility information <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

### Tier 2: Applicants with a rural background (excludes Tier 1)

Applicants who have resided in any rural location in Australia for 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively (MM2-7).

### Tier 3: Any other interested applicants

Any applicant who is interested in undertaking their medical studies in regional Queensland.

Regional Queensland applicants will be ranked and offered by Tier order, from Tier 1 through to 2 and then 3. Those who are not selected for an offer to a regional Queensland place will be ranked and considered with the Greater Brisbane (metropolitan) applicants.

# **Rural entry**

In accordance with agreed government quotas, The University of Queensland will offer 28.5% of places to students from a rural background.

Students will be eligible for consideration in the Rural Background Students (RBS) sub quota if they have spent at least 5 years continuously, or 10 years cumulatively, living in a rural Australian area as determined by the Modified Monash Model 2019 system. As approved rural background applicants compete for places within a sub quota, the interview short listing threshold may be lower for this cohort.

UQ awards two adjustments to the unweighted average GAMSAT score to assist rural background applicants in being more competitive for non-bonded places. All other standard selection policies and procedures still apply.

Applicants who wish to be considered through this scheme will need to provide documentary evidence to GEMSAS as detailed in the Rurality section of the GEMSAS Guide and the GEMSAS website.

#### Interview

#### Interview Selection:

Selection for interview will be based on a 50:50 combination of the unweighted average GAMSAT score and the assessed GPA (converted to a percentage). If required, the GPA will be used as a tiebreaker.

Applicants are ranked for invite to interview within the pathways they apply. Applicants that have indicated that they would like to be considered for the Central Queensland – Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway (CQ-WB RMP) or Darling Downs – South West Medical Pathway will be ranked for those pathways first and within each tier (Tier 1 first, followed by Tier 2, then Tier 3). Applicants not ranked for an invitation to interview for the CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP will be ranked and considered for an invitation to interview in the Greater Brisbane pathway.

Further information on selection for interviews is provided at the following link: https://study.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine/graduate-entry/how-to-apply

#### Invitation to Interview:

Applicants selected for interview must accept their invite to interview in the GEMSAS portal **AND** book an interview time directly with UQ by the booking due date. Booking details will be outlined in interview invites sent via email. Please ensure you check your emails regularly including your junk mailbox.

Requests for special consideration of a late booking, due to not finalising your booking or other system issues, outside of the open times will not be considered. If you experience any issues with your booking, you must contact us during the booking window for assistance (<a href="mailto:med.enquiries@uq.edu.au">med.enquiries@uq.edu.au</a>). A lack of knowledge or awareness of the procedure and the associated timelines does not meet the criteria for a late booking to be considered.

#### Interview Format:

Interviews will be conducted in the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format consisting of several interview stations, each with a single interviewer. MMIs will be held via videoconferencing in September 2024.

Further information on the interview format is provided on the UQ Multiple-Mini Interview (MMI) webpage:

https://study.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine/find-your-entry-pathway/multiple-mini-interviews-doctor-medicine

### Offers

Interviewed applicants will be ranked in merit order in each pathway with Central Queensland – Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway (CQ-WB RMP) and Darling Downs – South West Medical Pathway (DD-SW MP) offers determined first.

Eligible applicants indicating they wish to be considered for CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP are ranked in merit order within each tier, with offers made to eligible applicants in Tier 1 first, followed by Tier 2, then Tier 3. Eligible applicants in Tier 1 CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP will receive an offer in accordance with the applicable pathway location. Tier 1 CQ-WB RMP applicants may preference either Central Queensland or Wide Bay, however, offers may be made to either location pending availability of places. Location preference for eligible applicants in Tier 2 or Tier 3 for the CQ-WB RMP and DD-SW MP will be considered, however offers may be made for either pathway pending availability of places. Applicants unsuccessful in receiving a CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP offer, will then be considered for the Greater Brisbane pathway.

Applicants offered a place in the CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP will not be permitted to transfer between pathways or to the Greater Brisbane program pathway.

Applicants from all entry pathways are then ranked in merit order to determine whether they will receive a non-bonded or bonded medical place (BMP). Non-bonded (CSP) places will be offered first, followed by BMP. Rural Background (RBS) places will be filled from both bonded

	and non-bonded places. Please note, applicants may specify the types of places they wish to be considered for, however no consideration is given to preferred offer type when offers are made. Please refer to Schedule 3 of PPL 3.40.06d4 Undergraduate, Doctor of Medicine, Non-Award, and CSP admissions: <a href="https://ppl.app.uq.edu.au/content/3.40.06-undergraduate-doctor-medicine-non-award-and-csp-admissions">https://ppl.app.uq.edu.au/content/3.40.06-undergraduate-doctor-medicine-non-award-and-csp-admissions</a>
	Offers made to applicants in the final year of their first key degree will be conditional upon the completion of their current degree before 31 December in the year of application with a final overall degree GPA of 5.0 or better.
	Offers are made in November with a small number of subsequent offers in December and January (if required).
	Further information can also be found at the following link: <a href="https://future-students.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine/submit-your-application">https://future-students.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine/submit-your-application</a>
Deferrals	Deferrals of an offer may be approved in limited circumstances, refer to Schedule 3 of PPL 3.40.06d4 Undergraduate, Doctor of Medicine, Non-Award, and CSP Admissions: <a href="https://ppl.app.uq.edu.au/content/3.40.06-undergraduate-doctor-medicine-non-award-and-csp-admissions">https://ppl.app.uq.edu.au/content/3.40.06-undergraduate-doctor-medicine-non-award-and-csp-admissions</a> If you do receive an offer and your circumstances change, please contact UQ Admissions to
	discuss your options. If you know you cannot commence the program prior to lodging your GEMSAS application, it is recommended that you consider applying for a future intake instead.
Compulsory program requirements	Further information is available at this site:  Compulsory program requirements - Medical School - University of Queensland (uq.edu.au)
Other Information	<ul> <li>For more information visit <a href="https://study.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine">https://study.uq.edu.au/admissions/doctor-medicine</a></li> <li>Please refer to this webpage for the Australian and New Zealand Medical Deans Inclusive Education Guidelines to study medicine: <a href="https://medical-school-student-support/inclusive-medical-school-student-support/inclusive-medical-education">https://medical-school-student-support/inclusive-medical-education</a></li> </ul>
English Proficiency	An applicant from a non-English speaking background (NESB) must satisfy the English Language Proficiency (ELP) requirements in order to be considered for a place. The ELP requirements of domestic NESB students are the same as those for international NESB applicants and they can be found at the following link:
	https://ppl.app.uq.edu.au/content/3.40.06-undergraduate-doctor-medicine-non-award-and-csp-admissions
Open Days and Information Sessions	https://study.uq.edu.au/events/medicine-information-evening

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Contact details:	Telephone	131 UWA (131 892)	
contact details.	Email	admissions@uwa.edu.au	
	Web	https://www.uwa.edu.au/apply-health	
Course Type	UWA offers a 4-year Doctor of Medicine (MD) course.		
Places Available in 2025	<ul> <li>Up to 103 Places, of which:</li> <li>approximately 30% of places are available for rural applicants;</li> <li>up to 10% of places are available for Indigenous students.</li> <li>28.5% of all domestic medical places are BMPs.</li> <li>Further information on quotas can be found on our website.</li> </ul>		
	CSP see above		
	ВМР	see above	
	International Approximately 30 places		

#### Bachelor Degree/ GPA

In order to be eligible for entry, applicants must have completed a recognised\* bachelor degree, or will complete a recognised\* bachelor degree by the end of the application year.

#### Applicants who only hold higher degrees

As all applicants require a recognised\* bachelor degree for entry to the UWA MD course, applicants who have completed a higher degree but have not completed a recognised\* bachelor degree will not be eligible for consideration.

#### **GPA**

Domestic applicants who were successful in obtaining an interview for 2024 entry averaged GPA of 6.79.

#### Study included in the GPA calculation:

Applicants must have achieved a GPA of at least 5.5 at time of interview selection. The GPA is calculated on the most recent three full-time-equivalent years (FTE) of study (e.g. 3 FTE is 144 credit points at UWA). Please note this excludes any exemptions, credit or advanced standing. UWA includes Bachelor, Honours year (only if already completed or if it will be completed by end of semester one, 2024), Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, and Masters by coursework level of study in the GPA calculation if undertaken in the most recent three years FTE. Additional study (other than honours) does not need to be completed. Applicants who have undertaken additional study (whether postgraduate or additional undergraduate study) should indicate this on the GEMSAS application.

#### **Unweighted GPA:**

The GPA for UWA is not weighted. To calculate an unweighted GPA you simply need to add the three GPA years (final GPA year, final GPA year-1 and final GPA year -2) together and divide by three. If you only have two years of results at the time you calculate your GPA you would add the two GPA years together and divide by 2.

#### **Further GPA Complications:**

Please see our website for information on how we deal with the following complications to a GPA calculation:

- Ungraded Passes (and Fails)
- Exchange Studies
- Credit/Exemptions/Advanced Standing
- Not-for-degree/Open University studies.

#### Repeating Units

#### Minimal results in the current year of study:

Where an applicant has 0.25 FTE (or less) of graded results for their final GPA year at the end of semester 1, 2024, Admissions will include older study, where available. Where no older study is available, Admissions will calculate the GPA on only the "GPA Final-1" and "GPA Final-2" years and will calculate over 1FTE to include all results. For example if an applicant has a total of 2.125 FTE studies, one of the GPA years will be calculated from 1.125 FTE. In this instance, if an applicant is made an offer, it will be conditional upon their performance in all units in 2024 (see section below about conditional offers).

#### Applicants with completed PhDs:

Applicants who have **completed** a PhD (from a recognised Institution) by the time of application will be awarded/deemed a GPA of 7.0.

#### Applicants with completed Doctor of Dental Medicine from UWA:

Applicants who have **completed** a Doctor of Dental Medicine from UWA by the time of application will be awarded/deemed a GPA of 7.0.

#### Applicants with completed Masters by Research:

Completed Masters by research qualifications are not included in the GPA calculation. Instead, Admissions will add a small bonus of 0.2 to the overall GPA for applicants who have **completed** this qualification by 31 July.

#### Degree Completion and semester two, 2024 results - Conditional Offers:

Applicants who are eligible for a course offer and have not completed their first bachelor degree by semester 1, 2024 will be made a conditional offer requiring them to achieve a minimum GPA of 5.5 in the final semester.

Please note that if you are completing your initial bachelor degree and undertake a course of action that will result in you receiving late results, you may not meet offer conditions by the required deadline (i.e. 31 December 2024) which will result in your offer being withdrawn. Therefore, take care when undertaking any course of action in semester 2, 2024 that could delay your results or degree completion. This may include undertaking deferred/supplementary exams, undertaking units that fall outside normal semesters (e.g. summer units or trimester units) or going on exchange. If you anticipate any problems, please contact the Admissions Team as soon as possible to determine whether your offer will be withdrawn.

#### Accelerated degrees and conversion courses:

UWA will accept 2-year bachelor degrees and 1-year conversion degrees for the purposes of admission to our medical course. However, applicants undertaking a 1-year conversion degree who have not completed a previous bachelor degree must complete that course before applying for entry to UWA (i.e. applicants cannot apply during the conversion course).

*The completed undergraduate degree must be from an Australian university or a Higher
Education Institution recognised by the Australian Qualifications Framework, or a recognised
Bachelor qualification listed by the Department of Education (DE).

# Currency of qualification There is no 10-year rule for entry to UWA which means that we will consider applicants with degrees older than 10 years. Applicants must obtain a minimum overall score of 55 with no individual section score below 50. Domestic applicants who were successful in gaining an interview for 2024 entry averaged a GAMSAT score of 68.83.

Indigenous Applicants	UWA encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to consider applying for entry into the MD. In addition to the pathways listed here, there are alternative pathways available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants. These are available through the Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health (see <a href="www.uwa.edu.au/facilities/centre-for-aboriginal-medical-and-dental-health">www.uwa.edu.au/facilities/centre-for-aboriginal-medical-and-dental-health</a> for further details).		
Rural	Applicants must meet eligibility re	equirements in ord	der to apply for the Rural Pathway.
	Applicants, who wish to apply for the Rural Pathway, must complete the relevant questions in the application form and submit supporting documentation to GEMSAS by 17 June 2024 in order to prove their eligibility for the pathway.		
Interview	Selection for interview is based equally on standardised GAMSAT Overall Score and GPA.  Structured interviews will be held in Perth and are expected to take place within the period 23  September to 5 October. Applicants will need to be prepared to attend their interview in Perth, in person. Please note that not all dates within the period will be available.		
Offers	Applicants are ranked by the fo	llowing elements	(all scores standardised prior to ranking):
		Standard	Rural
	GPA	30.00%	22.50%
	GAMSAT	20.00%	15.00%
	Interview Score	50.00%	37.50%
	Rural Rating		25.00%
Deferral	There are no deferrals granted to	the MD unless ur	der exceptional circumstances.
Credit/Exemption	As the course is postgraduate, no courses, including graduate entry	•	ons can be granted from undergraduate
International Students	International applicants will need to apply directly to UWA. For more information please refer to <a href="https://www.uwa.edu.au/apply-health">https://www.uwa.edu.au/apply-health</a> .		
English Language Proficiency	Domestic and international applicants will meet English language requirements if their tertiary qualification(s) have been taught and assessed in one of the following countries (minimum two years FTE):		
	<ul> <li>Australia</li> <li>Canada (except Quebec)</li> <li>New Zealand</li> <li>Republic of Ireland</li> <li>United Kingdom</li> <li>United States of America</li> </ul>		
	Domestic and international applicants who do not meet the above English language requirements can provide evidence of meeting via the following International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic scores:		
	<ul> <li>A minimum overall score of 7.0</li> <li>A minimum score of 7.0 in each band</li> </ul>		
	Minimum IELTS scores must be a	chieved less than t	two years from intended enrolment.
	For further information please visit <a href="mailto:study.uwa.edu.au/how-to-apply/entry-requirements/english-language-requirements">study.uwa.edu.au/how-to-apply/entry-requirements</a>		

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## **GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

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	Web	https://www.uow.edu.au/science-medicine-health/schools- entities/gsm/doctor-of-medicine/	
The UOW Doctor of Medicine (MD)	graduates, who are well prep subsequently to commence p	DW aims to produce knowledgeable, caring, and competent ared to practise medicine under supervision as interns and postgraduate specialist training in any area of medicine. UOW offers and encourages applications from a diverse range of backgrounds.	
	achievement in a higher educ success as a medical student	Medicine aims to enrol applicants who have a high level of cation program of study, personal qualities that are important for and as a future medical practitioner, and a commitment and desire mes in regional, rural, and remote Australia.	
	Detailed information about the UOW MD program offered in the Graduate School of Medicine (GSM) is available at the UOW Doctor of Medicine website		
Places Available in 2025	Approximately 99 places wi students.	ll be available, which includes up to 15 places for international	
	CSP	30	
	CSP (rural end-to-end)	30	
	ВМР	24	
	International	15	
UOW MD Admissions	UOW MD <b>Admissions inform</b> assist applicants for all pathw	nation webinars will be held on the following dates to inform and vays.	
Information webinars	These sessions will be held via online webinar		
	• Friday 12 April 2024 at 6:00pm-8:00pm AEST		
	<ul> <li>Friday 17 May 2024 at 6:00pm-8:00pm AEST</li> <li>Registration for webinars is required via the following <u>link</u></li> </ul>		
	Further details are available on the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website</u> or contact MD Enquiries		
	( <u>md-enquiries@uow.edu.au</u> ) for any other information.		
Admission criteria	Admission to the UOW MD degree for domestic applicants via the General Entry Pathwar rural applicants) and the Rural Entry Pathway (rural applicants) is based on:  A weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) from a valid qualifying degree  A valid GAMSAT score  A valid Casper score  UOW MD Admissions bonuses  An Interview (Multiple Mini Interview) score		
		for International applicants and Aboriginal and Torres Strait n criteria and application processes vary for these pathways. (see bsite for more details)	
Grade Point Average and degree requirements	For 2025 entry, <b>GPA scores will be used as a qualifying hurdle</b> for interview offers. GPA scores will not be used in ranking for interview or place offers once the hurdle has been met. Applicants must have a <b>weighted GPA of greater than 5.5 on a 7-point scale</b> at the time of being selected for interview to be eligible to apply.		

All applicants must have completed (or be in their final year of study at time of application) an undergraduate degree at AQF7 or above consisting of at least three years duration when studied full-time, or equivalent (FTE). To be classed as a valid qualifying degree, the undergraduate degree must be from an Australian university or an equivalent overseas Bachelor qualification from an institution that is recognised under the framework and guidelines set by the Australian Department of Education (DE) (previously AEI-NOOSR). All valid qualifying degrees need to be completed by 31st December 2024.

A weighted GPA calculation is used for admission to the MD program. This means most recent results are weighted more heavily:

- Final GPA Year (most recent) = Weighted x 3
- Final-1 GPA Year (2nd most recent) = Weighted x 2
- Final-2 GPA Year (3rd most recent) = Weighted x 1

The GPA calculation is based on three years of full-time equivalent study (3.0 FTE) in the most recent eligible degree (or combination of degrees, if applicable). For the purpose of the GPA calculation, eligible degrees include Bachelor, Honours, Graduate Diploma and Master by Coursework programs. Course results from eligible degrees will be included in the GPA calculation if the degree is already completed or due to be completed by 31 December in the year of application.

If the most recent eligible degree comprises less than 3.0 FTE worth of study, course results from the next-most-recent eligible degree(s) may be used to make up the remainder of the 3.0 FTE. For example, if an applicant has completed a 1-year standalone Honours degree after their Bachelor degree, their GPA would be calculated using 1.0 FTE worth of results from the Honours program (Final GPA Year) and the remaining 2.0 FTE worth of results would be taken from the last two years of the Bachelor degree (Final-1 and Final-2 GPA Years).

If the duration of a degree exceeds the equivalent of 3 full-time years of study, only the courses comprising the last 3.0 FTE worth of study will be used in the GPA calculation. For example, for a 5-year combined degree, the GPA calculation will only include the last 3 years of study and will not include the first 2 years.

Where an applicant is completing the final year of their degree in 2024, the current year of study will only be included in the GPA calculation if at least 0.375 FTE worth of graded course results from Semester/Trimester 1 2024 are available to be used in the calculation. If at least 0.375 FTE worth of graded results are not yet available, the Final GPA Year will be excluded from the calculation and the GPA will be calculated using only the Final-1 (x2) and Final-2 (x1) GPA Years.

Ungraded Pass (UGP/CRS) results will not be included in the GPA calculation. UOW will include UGP in the 'credit count' for a particular GPA year, however, these are excluded from the calculation and that particular GPA 'year' will be calculated based on the available graded course results only.

An applicant must have a minimum of 0.375 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) worth of graded results available for a GPA to be calculated for that particular GPA 'year', i.e.: if 1.0FTE is the equivalent of 8 courses (or 48 credits with 6 credits per course), then using this module, an applicant must have a minimum of 3 courses (0.375 FTE) that are graded (not UGP/CRS) for that year.

Please note Graduate Certificates, Masters by Research, PhDs, non-award study and study completed below AQF Level 7 will not be included in the GPA calculation. Exception: credit awarded towards a completed Postgraduate Diploma or Masters degree from a Graduate Certificate can be considered in the GPA calculation, up to the amount of credit awarded towards the Postgraduate Diploma/Masters degree.

#### **Previous medical study**

Applicants who have completed medical studies in another country or qualified physicians are not considered eligible for entry to the UOW MD program. Applicants who have incomplete medical studies previously in Australia or overseas are not eligible for entry to the UOW MD program.

#### **Duration of qualification**

UOW does not normally recognise two-year Bachelor degrees or one year conversion degrees as valid qualifying degrees for the purposes of entry to the Doctor of Medicine program. Graduate entry two-year programs, or applicants who have completed the equivalent of a three-year FTE Bachelor degree but have been awarded credit for prior academic learning may be exempt from this rule. Please contact UOW GSM for more information if degree is less than three years FTE in duration. Accelerated Bachelor degrees are accepted as valid qualifying degrees by UOW; that is, a degree consisting of three full time equivalent trimesters per year for two years from a recognised institution.

#### **Currency of qualification**

Applicants are required to have graduated from their undergraduate degree within ten years of the closing date of applications for their degree to be considered a valid qualifying degree.

Applicants whose undergraduate degree was completed outside the ten-year period may still be considered for admission if they have successfully completed the equivalent of one year full-time tertiary study at Graduate Diploma level or higher at a recognised university within the last ten years. If no postgraduate study has been completed in the last ten years, applicants can apply for a waiver of this rule if they can demonstrate through other activities that they hold current high level academic skills.

To request a waiver, applicants need to provide a copy of their university transcripts, Curriculum Vitae (CV), and any other documentation in support of their request to <a href="mailto:md-enquiries@uow.edu.au">md-enquiries@uow.edu.au</a>. This must be submitted by 21 May 2024 - a minimum of 10 business days prior to the closing date of applications.

Applicants who are required to be assessed for currency of qualification due to the ten-year rule will be deemed ineligible for consideration of an interview and place at UOW for 2025 entry if:

- An applicant submits a waiver request that is not approved by the Graduate School of Medicine.
- An applicant does not submit a waiver request at all.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit a waiver request. Late submissions of a waiver request are not accepted.

#### **GAMSAT**

For 2025 entry, **GAMSAT score will be used as a qualifying hurdle** for interview offers. GAMSAT score will not be used in ranking for interview or place offers once the hurdle has been met.

Domestic applicants need a **minimum score of 50 overall, with no individual section score below 50**, in the Graduate Australian Medical Schools Admission Test (GAMSAT).

No other entrance examination is accepted for domestic applicants.

#### Casper

For 2025 entry, **Casper scores are combined with UOW MD Admissions bonuses to rank for interview offers**. A minimum eligible Casper score is set annually, reflecting the application cohort.

Casper is a standardised, online assessment of non-cognitive skills, interpersonal characteristics, and personal qualities that are important for success as a medical student and as a future medical practitioner.

As an online situational judgement test, Casper is designed to assess areas such as ethics, empathy, and communication. Applicants must complete the Casper test during the testing periods identified for UOW MD applicants. Applicants without a valid Casper score are not eligible for entry to the MD program, regardless of their competitiveness against other entry criteria.

Casper testing dates for UOW MD domestic applicants for the 2024-2025 admissions cycle are:

- Tuesday 16 April 2024 9am AEST
- Wednesday 1 May 2024 7pm AEST
- Sunday 26 May 2024 10am AEST

Thursday 6 June 2024 - 7pm AEST

It is recommended that applicants register to take the test on the first available date in case of emergencies or technical difficulties. Applicants without a Casper score will not be considered.

For more information on Casper including practice test content, technical requirements, fees, and registration see the <u>Acuity Insights</u> website.

#### UOW MD Admissions Bonuses

UOW MD Admissions bonuses have been designed to reflect the principles underlying MD program admissions. For 2025 entry, **Admissions bonuses are combined with Casper score to rank for interview offers, and combined with interview score to rank for place offers.** 

All bonuses are weighted equally, bonuses are cumulative, and applicants may apply for as many bonuses as they are eligible. More information on the bonuses and application process can be found on the <a href="UOW Doctor of Medicine website">UOW Doctor of Medicine website</a>

The following text outlines the principles for MD program admissions, the Bonus to meet that end, and the evidence required from the applicant to demonstrate eligibility for that bonus.

Bonus 1 – Underlying principle: UOW has a commitment to the local communities in which it is located.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants who currently live in the MM1 Wollongong area (Helensburgh to Shellharbour, as defined by the <u>Health Workforce Locator</u> using Modified Monash 2019) for at least five consecutive years immediately prior to MD application.
- Evidence required: Witnessed Commonwealth Statutory declaration PLUS a certified supporting letter from a doctor / bank / university / school or workplace confirming address for five consecutive years and current residential address.

Bonus 2 – Underlying principle: UOW has a commitment to health service provision for rural NSW.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants who have lived in rural NSW (MM2-MM7, as
  defined by the <u>Health Workforce Locator</u> using Modified Monash 2019) for at least 5
  consecutive years (or 10 cumulative years).
- Evidence required: Rural residency evidence is already provided to GEMSAS as part of rural application – no additional documentary evidence is required.

Bonus 3 - Underlying principle: UOW welcomes applicants who believe the MD program at UOW offers the very best in medical education.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants who select the UOW MD program as their first preference in their GEMSAS application.
- Evidence required: Preferences are submitted as part of the GEMSAS application no additional documentary evidence is required.

Bonus 4 – Underlying principle: UOW is committed to rural medical education and believes that applicants working in rural locations have a strong connection to rural communities and that these applicants are more likely to practice in rural locations.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants with two or more years of paid employment in any industry at 25 hours a week or more in a rural location (MM2-MM7, as defined by the <u>Health Workforce Locator</u> using Modified Monash 2019)
- Evidence required: Witnessed Commonwealth Statutory declaration PLUS a certified supporting letter from employer, on official letterhead signed by HR or current employee who is line manager or above confirming dates of employment, weekly hours worked and address of employment.

Bonus 5 – Underlying principle: UOW believes in interprofessional education and that applicants who already have a degree in a health profession are likely to become doctors who work well in multi-disciplinary teams.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants who have completed degree and hold current unconditional registration for any health profession with Ahpra OR Applicants who have completed degree and hold current unconditional registration an Accredited Practising Dietitian with Dietitians Australia or an Accredited Exercise Physiologist with Exercise and Sports Science Australia (This includes professionals holding provisional registration while undertaking postgraduate training / supervision but excludes those whose registration has been limited by conditions / restrictions).
- Evidence required: Witnessed Commonwealth Statutory declaration which includes AHPRA / DA / ESSA registration number and date and currency of registration PLUS a certified copy of most recent registration letter / certificate.

Bonus 6 – Underlying principle: UOW believes that applicants who have shown a sustained commitment in work environments have qualities of persistence, accountability, and professionalism that provide a good foundation for the study of medicine and a career in medicine.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants with two or more years full-time paid employment of 35 hours per week or more, in any field in any location
- Evidence required: Witnessed Commonwealth Statutory declaration PLUS a certified supporting letter from employer, on official letterhead signed by HR or current employee who is line manager or above confirming dates of employment, weekly hours worked and address of employment.

Bonus 7 – Underlying principle: UOW believes that applicants who have shown a sustained commitment to service and demonstrate qualities of persistence, accountability, and professionalism are likely to succeed in medicine.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants with two or more years of active service with the Australian volunteer services of RFS/CFA (or other state rural fire service), State Emergency Service, St John Ambulance, Surf Life Saving Australia or Australian Defence Force reserves OR Applicants with two or more years of full-time continuous service with emergency services in Australia including state and federal police, fire and rescue, ambulance, and Australian Defence Forces.
- Evidence required: Witnessed Commonwealth Statutory declaration PLUS a certified supporting letter from the relevant organisation, on official letterhead signed by HR or current line manager/senior officer or above confirming dates of service, hours served and role in organisation.

Bonus 8 – Underlying principle: UOW believes in the quality of UOW graduates and has a commitment to those graduates whether they come from pre-medicine, engineering, arts or any other UOW degree.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants with any UOW degree (AQF7 or above)
  consisting of two or more years full time equivalent study. (Degree must be completed
  by 31 December in the year of application to be eligible for bonus. Degree must have
  been completed within the last 10 years to be eligible for bonus)
- Evidence required: Academic qualifications are submitted as part of the GEMSAS application no additional documentary evidence is required.

Bonus 9 - Underlying principle: Additionally, UOW recognises local academic excellence.

• Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants who are UOW graduates and demonstrate consistent academic excellence (applicants must meet the criteria in point 8 above AND have an overall weighted GPA of 6.5 or higher at the time of application).

• Evidence required: Academic qualifications are submitted, and GPA calculated as part of the GEMSAS application - no additional documentary evidence is required.

Bonus 10 – Underlying principle: UOW believes that applicants who were educated at a rural high school have a strong connection to rural communities and that these applicants are more likely to return to rural locations. UOW also wishes to mitigate inequality of educational opportunities.

- Applicants eligible for bonus: Applicants who attended a rural high school for four years or more (school address in (MM2-MM7, as defined by the <u>Health Workforce Locator</u> using Modified Monash 2019)
- Evidence required: Witnessed Commonwealth Statutory declaration PLUS a certified supporting letter from school administration outlining school address and dates of attendance.

Applicants wishing to apply for **ANY** admissions bonus must complete the UOW MD Admissions Bonus Form, even if no additional documentary evidence is required. The <u>UOW MD Admissions</u> Bonus Form will be available, along with electronic uploading of documents, when GEMSAS applications open on 1 May 2024. The Bonus Form must be completed, and all documentary evidence uploaded, by 11:59 PM on the **17 June 2024**. Please refer to the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website</u> for links to the Admissions bonus form, and for further instructions regarding certification of evidence requirements for UOW MD Admissions bonuses.

Bonuses will **not** be granted if:

- UOW MD Admissions Bonus Form is incomplete.
- Required documentary evidence is not uploaded or contains incomplete information.
- Bonus criteria is not met.

In these circumstances the GEMSAS application will continue to be assessed, however without the addition of any UOW admissions bonuses.

#### Admissions Interview

Applicants who meet the qualifying threshold hurdles for GPA and GAMSAT performance are ranked for interview using an algorithm of 50% Casper score and 50% UOW MD Admissions bonuses.

For 2025 entry, domestic interviews will be conducted in an online multiple-mini-interview (MMI) format in the week commencing 23 September 2024. Interviewees are assessed on areas such as communication skills, empathetic and ethical approach, reflective manner, teamwork, and decision-making skills.

Further information about the interview process will be forwarded in early September to applicants who receive an interview offer.

#### Offers

The UOW MD admissions interview score is combined with the UOW MD Admissions bonuses to rank applicants for place offers in an algorithm of 70% interview score and 30% admissions bonuses. If an applicant has been interviewed at another GEMSAS school, their interview score will be standardised and used in place of the UOW interview score. GPA, GAMSAT, and Casper results are not included in the weighting formula for offer of a place.

Offers are made in early November with a small number of subsequent offers in December and January (if required). Offers are made for a specific place type, campus, and year only.

Candidates who do not respond to their official Letter of Offer by the required due date specified by UOW will have the offer rescinded. The offer may be allocated to the next eligible applicant in a subsequent offer round, at the discretion of the University.

Offers to applicants completing their degree in 2024 will be conditional on maintenance of the minimum required weighted GPA of 5.5. Evidence of completion must be produced for offer conditions to be cleared. Valid qualifying degrees used in GPA calculation must be completed by 31st December 2024.

Orientation day will be held in Wollongong for all students on 23 January 2025, with the program commencing on 27 January 2025.

#### **Rural applicants**

UOW MD program offers a **Rural Entry pathway** with a proportion of places across both Medical Education tracks reserved for students from a rural background. Rural entry pathway applicants are ranked separately to domestic general entry pathway applicants. Please refer to the <u>UOW</u> Doctor of Medicine website for further details.

To be eligible for consideration in the Rural Entry pathway, applicants will need to demonstrate residency in a MM2-MM7 area for 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively. To meet this eligibility, applicants will need to complete the Rurality question in the GEMSAS Application Form and submit supporting documentation to GEMSAS by the due date.

Applicants can check MMM status using the <u>Health Workforce Locator</u> (select Modified Monash 2019) For more information on documentary evidence required to demonstrate rural residency, see the GEMSAS admissions guide at the <u>GEMSAS website</u>.

Within the Rural Entry pathway, a rurality adjustment will be applied to all rural applications based on the remoteness of their residence according to the Modified Monash criteria. This is in addition to the bonuses in the GSM Admissions Bonus Form.

Rurality adjustment will be applied by the GSM in the following three tiers with the most remote applicants receiving the largest bonus:

- Regional applicants MM2
- Rural applicants MM3 to MM5
- Remote applicants MM6 and MM7

Applicants are not required to submit additional information to the GSM – this adjustment will be applied automatically to all rural applicants based on the GEMSAS assessed rural classification.

#### Medical Education Tracks and place types

The UOW MD Program offers places within two tracks: the **Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education Track**, and the **Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track**.

#### **UOW MD Program – Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education Track**

UOW offers Commonwealth Supported Places (bonded and unbonded) under the Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education track.

Students in the Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education Track will be based at UOW Wollongong campus or UOW Shoalhaven campus for Phase 1 (first 18 months) of the program. After Phase 1, students will then be allocated by the GSM to placements within NSW. Placements will be in regional, rural, and remote areas within NSW where the GSM has a clinical education/training site. UOW training sites and teaching hubs currently include placements in the Shoalhaven, Southern Highlands, Illawarra, Murrumbidgee, Clarence Valley, Northern Rivers, Central West, and Outback regions of NSW. These regions may change in the future. Students will need to relocate to the allocated site for the duration of the clinical placement.

The Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education Track consists of a total of 54 places. These places are allocated across the General Entry pathway, Rural Entry Pathway and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway. A minimum of 32 places are reserved for Rural Entry pathway students. We aim that 15% of places in the Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education Track be filled by students from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway.

Two place types are available:

- o Commonwealth Supported Place Unbonded (CSP)
  - All domestic students studying medicine at UOW are entitled to a Commonwealth Supported place (CSP) which provides reduced course fees subsidised by the Australian Government through the Commonwealth Grant Scheme.
- Commonwealth Supported Place Bonded Medical Program (BMP)

■ The Bonded Medical Program provides students with a Commonwealth Supported Place in medicine, in return for a commitment to work in eligible regional, rural, and remote areas for a specified period after completion of their medical course.

#### **UOW MD Program – Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track**

UOW also offers Commonwealth Supported Places under the Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track. Students in the Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track will be based at UOW Shoalhaven campus or UOW Southern Highlands campus for Phase 1 (first 18 months) of the program and then must reside and study in a rural NSW location, as determined by the medical school, for the duration of the entire four-year program.

The Rural End-to End Medical Education Track consists of a total of 30 places. These places are allocated across the General Entry Pathway, Rural Entry Pathway and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway, and for students from the local region. We aim that 15% of places in the Rural End-to End Medical Education Track be filled by students from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway.

One place type is available:

- Commonwealth Supported Place rural end-to-end.
  - The Rural End-to-End Medical Education track provides students with a Commonwealth Supported Place in medicine, in return for a commitment to reside and study in a rural area for the duration of their medical degree.

At the time of application, applicants will nominate the tracks and place types for their application. If an applicant does not nominate a certain track and place type, and that is the only place available, they will not be made an offer from UOW.

Acceptance of a UOW MD place indicates acceptance of the track and place type allocation. Transfer between tracks or place types is not possible at time of offer or at any time a student is enrolled in the four years of the program.

For more information on place types and tracks, please see the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine</u> <u>website</u>.

#### **Campus allocation**

The MD program at the University of Wollongong is conducted at three campuses during Phase 1 (the first 18 months of the program). These campuses are Wollongong, Shoalhaven (Nowra), and Southern Highlands (Moss Vale).

Students in the **Rural-Regional Combined Medical Education Track** will commence the program at Shoalhaven or Wollongong campus before being allocated to placements in regional, rural, and remote areas within NSW. Placements are determined by the medical school.

Students in the **Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track** will commence the program at Shoalhaven or Southern Highlands campus and will be required to reside and study in a rural NSW location, as determined by the medical school, for the duration of the entire four-year program.

All students enrolled in the UOW Doctor of Medicine are required to undertake clinical placements in regional and rural/remote communities across NSW in order to meet the requirements of the program. Students can expect to be required to undertake rural clinical placements in each phase of the program. The placements will vary in duration but may be up to a full academic year in length and require a student to relocate and live in the community of placement.

At the time of application, applicants must indicate every campus they would be willing to study at during Phase 1. Applicants who are limited in their ability to study at all campuses may be less likely to be successful in gaining an offer.

Acceptance of a UOW MD place indicates acceptance of the campus allocation. Transfer between campuses will not be considered. If an applicant does not accept an offer at a particular campus, then that offer (at that campus) will be made to the next applicant.

Refer to the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website</u> for further information regarding UOW campuses, regions and communities in which we teach.

Students in Phase 1 at Shoalhaven or Southern Highlands campus will attend their teaching sessions at the local campus and will engage in placements in their local community. On average, one day per week, students will travel to Wollongong for anatomy lessons and other selected teaching sessions. Students may be eligible for subsidies to assist with these travel costs.

Students in Phase 1 based on the Wollongong campus will attend their teaching sessions at the local campus and will engage in placements in their local community. Students at Wollongong will also be also required to travel to Shoalhaven and Southern Highland campuses for some teaching sessions/placements during the Phase.

In later Phases of the MD program all UOW medical students will undertake clinical placements in medical facilities within NSW including many and varied regional, rural, and remote communities. Students in the Rural End-to-End Medical Education Track will undertake all of their medical education in rural communities and students will be expected to relocate to those communities.

#### **Deferral**

Offers of a place are made for a specified year only and course commencement can only occur in January (Semester 1) of each calendar year.

Deferral of a place is not possible.

Applicants who do not, or are unable to accept an offer, must re-apply if they wish to undertake the course in a subsequent year.

#### Additional Admissions information

For more information regarding

- Additional MD program requirements
- Inherent requirements for medicine
- Student fees
- Scholarships opportunities

Please refer to the UOW Doctor of Medicine website

#### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Applicants

The University of Wollongong is dedicated to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to achieve a career as a doctor. We are passionate about having a dedicated pathway that enables Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to enrol and complete the Doctor of Medicine. We provide access to a variety of scholarship opportunities. We aim that 15% of places in the program be filled by students from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to get in touch with the Graduate School of Medicine for advice and assistance with the application process, or if they are considering enrolling in the MD program at any point in the future.

For more information on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway entry, including admission criteria, process, and scholarships available please refer to the <a href="MOW Doctor of Medicine website"><u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website or email gsm-Indigenous-health@uow.edu.au</u></a>

Applicants for the **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway** are encouraged to apply to the UOW MD program via the **direct application process**. There is no application fee for direct applications and documents can be submitted electronically via the UOW MD <u>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway application form</u>. Direct applications open on 1 March 2024 and close on 31 August 2024. No late applications will be accepted. Further details on documentation required is available on the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website</u>.

Applicants for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway may instead choose to apply through the <u>GEMSAS</u> online application system, identifying themselves as of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. Fees apply for the GEMSAS application system. Applicants who apply through the GEMSAS application will be contacted directly by the GSM once their application is

submitted. Applications via the GEMSAS application process will open on 1 May 2024 and close on 31 May 2024.

Admission criteria for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway are:

- A weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) from a valid qualifying degree
- A Confirmation/Declaration of Aboriginality
- An Interview (Multiple Mini Interview) score
- UOW GSM Community Interview

Applicants in this pathway are required to meet acceptable levels of performance in GPA and Multiple Mini-Interview, as well as confirmation of suitability for entry to the UOW Graduate School of Medicine MD program through the UOW GSM Community interview. The Community interview will include Aboriginal and Torres Straits Islander community members, and staff from the University of Wollongong.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are not required to sit Casper or GAMSAT.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are required to submit the following supporting documentation:

 A Confirmation of Aboriginality: By a letter with a common seal signed by the chairperson of an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander incorporated organisation in which the applicant lives or has previously lived, e.g. lands council or Aboriginal cultural centre.

OR

UOW understands that sometimes obtaining an official confirmation of Aboriginality can be challenging. Therefore, we accept a <u>WIC statutory declaration of Aboriginality (PDF: 119 KB)</u> certified by an approved witness – a Justice of the Peace (JP) or a person prescribed under the <u>Statutory Declarations regulations</u>. This is a legally binding document demonstrating self-identification as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person. The Statutory declaration must be accompanied by evidence of your claim.

# International Applicants

UOW GSM offers 15 International places via the International Entry Pathway and applications are assessed directly by UOW.

Applicants for the **International Entry pathway** must apply to the UOW MD program via the **direct application process**. There is no application fee for direct applications and documents can be submitted electronically via the UOW MD <u>International Entry Pathway application form</u>. Direct applications will open on 1 March 2024 and close on 31 August 2024. No late applications will be accepted. Further details on documentation required is available on the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website</u>.

We encourage any international applicants to contact the Graduate School of Medicine on <a href="mailto:md-enquiries@uow.edu.au">md-enquiries@uow.edu.au</a> for queries, information, and assistance with application documentation.

Admission to the UOW MD degree for international applicants is based on:

- A weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) from a valid qualifying degree
- A valid GAMSAT or MCAT score
- A valid Casper score
- An Interview (Multiple Mini Interview) score
- Evidence of English Proficiency (if required)

Refer to the <u>UOW Doctor of Medicine website</u> for further information regarding International applications.

#### How can you assist GEMSAS? **PRINT AND SAVE** Once you have completed your application, and prior to submission, we recommend you both save and print your "Review of Responses" and check this thoroughly to ensure the information you have supplied and selected, and your preferences, are correct and accurately convey your intentions. No changes can be made once your application has been submitted. **SUBMIT YOUR** Ensure your online application is submitted before the deadline (once it has been completed **APPLICATION ON** and reviewed). No late submissions will be accepted. TIME Closing time is 5pm AEST /3pm AWST Friday 31 May. Only your first submitted application will be processed, regardless of which application has been paid for. Alert GEMSAS ASAP if there is a technical issue (or any other issue) with your online **TECHNICAL ISSUES?** application, so the issue can be resolved before the submission deadline. **DEAKIN RTS** Use only plain text. Some special characters, such as quotation marks, may be removed for **PATHWAY WRITTEN** security and formatting reasons. **APPLICATION DECLARE ALL** Ensure you declare all your tertiary study in the application (this includes complete and **TERTIARY STUDIES** incomplete study). **UNPAID FEES?** For study at a university that participates in ARTS, if you have any unpaid fees (including student amenities fees and library fines) we will not be able to automatically retrieve your results until these have been attended to. Please do this ASAP. Please note that we do not use hard copy transcripts where results are available via ARTS, and we will not accept transcripts provided as clarification regarding study not shown in ARTS. If required, ensure the correct documentation is **DOCUMENTATION AND TRANSCRIPTS** uploaded (Education transcripts and English Language Competency) and emailed (Rural background and Deakin adjustments (bonuses) with coversheets) by the due dates. For Rural background and Deakin adjustment (bonuses) documentation, please refer to the relevant coversheet; documentation without a coversheet will not be processed or assessed. Note that submission methods and email addresses vary depending on the bonus type. Ensure your official academic transcripts are uploaded to GEMSAS for all study at non-ARTS institutions including those at which you undertook exchange studies. Ensure you read the **Documentation page** in the application thoroughly on what can or cannot be supplied to GEMSAS as supporting documentation. Any incorrect documentation provided may delay the processing or your application.

You must upload an official **academic transcript** for any exchange studies you have done. Any qualification undertaken in a language other than English must be documented by the original transcript, accompanied by an officially translated original (by a NAATI translator), in English. Scans of **original hard copy** translations (featuring the translator's original stamp and signature on every page) can be uploaded in your account. Please see the *Academic Document Submission Guidelines* for instructions on supplying digital translation documents (which feature a digitally inserted stamp or QR code).

Ensure you inform GEMSAS if there is a delay in obtaining Semester 1 or Semester 2 results (e.g. sitting a special/supplementary or deferred exam), so GEMSAS is made aware of the need to retrieve these results.

Please upload and/or email only those documents that have been specifically requested. No additional documentation or general correspondence should be sent to GEMSAS.



Your contact details need to be operational and GEMSAS informed if they are changed

If you have been made a conditional offer of a place and there is a delay in obtaining final results (e.g. sitting a special exam), alert GEMSAS ASAP. Please ensure you alert GEMSAS well before the 31 December 2024 deadline.

A completion certificate (or academic transcript showing that you have completed your degree) must be uploaded to the GEMSAS application portal ASAP (**by 31 December 2024**) if you have been made a conditional offer of a place and you studied at a non-ARTS University.

#### **ENQUIRIES**

Read the FAQs and the Admissions Guide before submitting an enquiry via <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a>

#### YOUR GPA

Please email your full name and GAMSAT ID when requesting your GPA in mid-August.

#### **TIMING AND OFFERS**

Universities may not process your course completions as quickly as is needed by GEMSAS to get your offer confirmed in time. You can assist by contacting your central student administration to impress upon them the importance of getting your completion loaded into their student system and made available through ARTS.

For some universities you will need to give them permission to send your completion evidence to GEMSAS OR you can upload the official academic transcript showing that your degree is completed **by 31 December 2024.** 

#### **MY EMAILS PAGE**

The My Emails page in your GEMSAS account should be checked regularly.

The following GEMSAS emails will be visible on the My Emails page:

- Confirmation of Registration, Submitted, Payment emails
- Emails from the Assessment team re: academic documents and/or education study claims
- Undeclared study and outcome emails
- Interview offer and/or Place Offer, only if the offer email is sent on behalf of the medical school by GEMSAS
- Unsuccessful notification for interview and place offers
- Courtesy reminders

#### The following emails will **NOT** be visible on the My Emails page:

- GEMSAS Rural background emails
- GEMSAS Deakin adjustment (bonus) emails
- Interview offer and/or Place Offer, if the offer email is sent directly from the medical school
- Email correspondence from <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> and <a href="mailto:GEMSAS.academic@vtac.edu.au">GEMSAS.academic@vtac.edu.au</a>
- Email correspondence sent directly from individual medical schools

## FAQs about the application process and GPA Calculations

#### What happens to my application, once submitted and paid for?

GEMSAS is a computerised matching system which calculates GPAs and bonuses, assesses applications for eligibility, and uses an algorithm to rank and allocate eligible applicants to their highest preferenced medical school. For more details about the matching algorithm, please refer to www.gemsas.edu.au/gemsas-processes.

Applications will be assessed according to the selection rules of each preferenced school. GEMSAS will assess the eligibility and competitiveness of all applicants for their first preference medical school. If the applicant is not eligible or not ranked highly enough they will be assessed for the second-preference school and so on until the applicant has either been allocated an interview at a preferenced medical school or all preferences have been exhausted.

Applications will be assessed again after interviews according to the selection rules of each preferenced school. Interview scores will be standardised and used by all participating schools. GEMSAS will assess the competitiveness of all interviewed applicants for their first-preference medical school. If the applicant is not ranked highly enough they will be assessed for the second-preference school and so on until the applicant has either been offered a place at a preferenced medical school or all preferences have been exhausted.

You cannot be considered for an offer at a school which is a higher preference than the school at which you were interviewed. They have already decided you do not meet their minimum criteria or you were not ranked highly enough to get an interview offer and that can't change in the subsequent offer round despite how well you do at interview.



Once an application is submitted NO FURTHER changes can be made.

#### How do I choose between valid GAMSAT results?

The GAMSAT validity period has been changed from 2 years to 4 years. GAMSAT results obtained from different sittings are directly comparable and can be used when applying to universities for up to four consecutive years in Australia.

To apply in 2024 for entry in 2025, ONLY the following results can be used: September 2020, March 2021, September 2021, March 2022, September 2022, March 2023, September 2023 and March 2024.

You are advised to compare results against the acceptable scores for each university and then select the result you wish the universities to consider.

Simply record in the Application Form the appropriate candidate identification number and year of sitting for the test you wish to use for selection. This will be the only GAMSAT result that will be provided to GEMSAS.

It is not possible to mix individual section scores from different test sessions or years, or to use different tests for different universities.

#### What GAMSAT scores are acceptable for entry to GEMPASS Australia medical schools?

GAMSAT results are valid for four years. To apply in 2024 for entry in 2025, ONLY the following results can be used: September 2020, March 2021, September 2021, March 2022, September 2022, March 2023, September 2023 and March 2024.

The GAMSAT is held in March and September, however results from the September sitting in the year of GEMSAS application cannot be used for that intake - it may only be used for designated future intakes:

Which GAMSAT results can be used?		
GAMSAT session	2025 Intake	2026 Intake
September 2020	✓	×
March 2021	✓	×
September 2021	✓	✓
March 2022	✓	✓
September 2022	✓	✓

March 2023	✓	✓
September 2023	✓	✓
March 2024	✓	✓
September 2024	×	✓
March 2025		✓

Helpful information can be found on the GAMSAT website that shows the validity of all the GAMSAT tests. <a href="https://gamsat.acer.org/results/currency-of-results">https://gamsat.acer.org/results/currency-of-results</a>.

#### Which school should I apply to?

There are ten Medical Schools in GEMPASS Australia. Domestic applicants may nominate up to six preferences. Please take into consideration the special character of each medical school and choose as preferences those schools whose philosophies, location and special character best matches your requirements.

There are significant differences in entry requirements between the schools. You might find that you have a much better chance of gaining admission to one school over another. Please ensure you make your selections with care. Once preferences are entered and your application submitted, you will not be able to change them. Subsequent transfers between schools are unlikely to be approved.

#### If you are not prepared to undertake the course at a particular university you should not list it.

You are advised to put only medical schools and types of places that you are prepared to accept. You are strongly advised to obtain detailed information from the schools' websites to ensure you are fully informed on both the admissions criteria and the structure of the individual programs. If you are offered a place and you decline it, or if you allow your offer to lapse, then your application will be withdrawn from further processing and you will NOT receive another offer in the current offer period. There is no requirement to list the full six preferences available to you.

#### I want to change my preferences/types of places.

Once you have submitted your application, this is not possible.

#### **Exceptions:**

The University of Notre Dame Australia, Sydney may accept one change of type of place per application year should you wish to add or remove the Full Fee-paying type of place. No other offer type changes will be considered. Changes must be made in writing directly with the Institution no later than **4pm (AEST) on 2 October 2024**. See the schools' pages in this guide for details.

The University of Melbourne may accept one change of type of place per application year should you wish to add or remove the Full Fee-paying type of place. No other offer type changes will be considered. All changes must be submitted through Melbourne Medical School's 'Fee-Type Change Request' form no later than **4pm AEST 27**<sup>th</sup> **September 2024.** See the schools' pages in this guide for details.

## My degree is more than 10 years old; am I still eligible to apply?

Bachelor degrees that were awarded more than 10 years prior to the anticipated commencement date may not be acceptable at the school to which you are applying. Most schools accept postgraduate study within the last 10 years as reason to waive this rule. They will then calculate the GPA on the most recent eligible study; see schools' entries for details.

To confirm whether your degree will be recognised, check the relevant schools' entries in this Guide and their websites and contact the schools if you are still in doubt.

The prerequisite subjects required for entry to the University of Queensland must be completed within 10 years of commencing the MD.

#### **Completed vs Graduated?**

All medical schools will use the year of completion or award, not the year of graduation. For example, if your final semester of study was Semester 2, 2015 but the degree was conferred in March 2016. The degree will be considered to have been completed in 2015.

#### Which degree will you use to calculate my GPA (the Qualifying/Key Degree)?

We will generally use the GPA from the most recently **completed** qualifying/key degree and this may include a degree you will complete in the year in which you apply, except for UWA (see school website for details on what study is included) who consider the most recent three years FTE (full time equivalent) of valid study (**complete or incomplete**). See the schools' entries in this Guide for more details.

The **GEMSAS** medical schools have considered options for changing GPA methodology, recognising the impact of COVID-19 on 2020 study. As a result a number of schools have made changes, deciding whether or not to include 2020 results in GPA calculations. See the school entry section for changes/updates.

#### What is the definition of an Honours Degree, in terms of GEMSAS GPA calculations?

An Honours Degree is a research-intense award pegged at Level 8 in the AQF. One-year honours programs are a specialised year of study undertaken as an extension to an undergraduate degree – this is a 'standalone' Honours award. Some four-year (or more) undergraduate programs have honours embedded within their structure, this is an 'embedded' Honours award.

#### I have done (or I am completing) a standalone Honours. Will this be used for selection?

We include Honours degrees in GPA calculations if they are complete or will be complete by the end of the year (other than the exceptions below). Typically, the majority of Honours results are only available at the end of the Honours year and we do a GPA calculation for allocating applicants to interviews in the middle of the year. If you are currently studying an Honours year then for the interview score a Final GPA year will only be included if sufficient results are available at the time of assessment. The GPA will otherwise be calculated from the prior two years of available results and when the Honours results are available, they will be used to confirm any conditional offer you may have been made. If you do have results for Honours from Semester 1, these may be used in your GPA calculation together with results from the last two years of your preceding study.

#### **Exception:**

For Griffith, University of Melbourne and UQ, if a standalone Honours degree is not completed by 31 July, it will not be used.

**For UWA**, if a standalone (or embedded) Honours degree is not completed by mid-year in the year of application the honours level study will not be included in GPA calculations.

**For Macquarie University**, if there are **less than 0.5 FTE** of results in the standalone Honours degree from Semester 1 completed, the Bachelor degree will be used to calculate the GPA. The Honours degree will be the key degree and a conditional offer will be issued on completion of Honours.

Refer to the relevant schools' entries in this Guide and their websites for further information.

#### Will my Honours subject results or the overall Honours grade be used in my GPA calculation?

For Australian qualifications, where a <u>Standalone</u> Honours year is eligible to be included; if your Honours year consists of subjects which have results (and no classification is available) then these will be used to calculate your GPA. If there are no subject results, and only an overall Honours grade, then that will be used (refer to the GPA Conversion Table in this guide).

If both subject results and an overall Honours classification are available:

**ANU, Griffith\*, Notre Dame, UWA, Wollongong** the honours classification GPA and subject results GPA will be compared and the higher value will be used.

Deakin, Macquarie, the University of Melbourne will use Honours subject results only.

**UQ** will use the final Honours classification (as per the conversion table) for both standalone and embedded honours programs.

\*Griffith will also use this method for the honours year of an embedded honours degree.

Only UQ and Griffith will consider the Honours Classification for an embedded program. All other institutions will use subject results only.

#### What is the minimum FTE (Full Time Equivalent) study load required for any GPA year to be calculated?

The below table outlines the minimum graded results required for any GPA year to be calculated. If the minimum graded requirement threshold is not met, that GPA year will be left blank. For current study, if insufficient results are available at time of assessment then Final year will not be included in the GPA until additional results are received.

Institution	Minimum study load for any GPA year
Australian National University	0.375 FTE of graded results
Deakin University	0.25 FTE of graded results
Griffith University	No minimum
Macquarie University	No minimum*
The University of Melbourne	No minimum
The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle	0.375 FTE of graded results
The University of Notre Dame Australia, Sydney	0.375 FTE of graded results
The University of Queensland	No minimum
The University of Western Australia	More than 0.25 FTE of graded results
University of Wollongong	0.375 FTE of graded results

<sup>\*</sup> There are minimum requirements for current Honours for it to be used in the interim GPA.

#### How will my 2020 results be used in GPA calculations?

The **GEMSAS medical schools** have considered options for changing GPA methodology, recognising the impact of COVID-19 on 2020 study. As a result a number of schools have made changes, deciding whether or not to include 2020 results in GPA calculations. See the school entry section for changes/updates.

The below rules apply to all applicants consistently. GEMSAS is unable to make amendments to our process to account for any perceived impact of COVID-19 on your results. Therefore, any potential changes made to your grades to compensate for COVID-19 disruptions will need to be discussed with your teaching university.

For ANU, Macquarie, Notre Dame, Wollongong, UWA and UQ, all 2020 results will be used in GPA calculations.

For Deakin, all 2020 results will be excluded from GPA calculations.

**For Griffith,** 2020 results will be used in GPA calculations. Applicants may request to have ALL Semester 1/Trimester 1 grades from 2020 disregarded. Please refer to the Griffith school entry section for more details.

**For the University of Melbourne,** results for 2020 subjects completed before the COVID-19 pandemic (i.e. January 2020 to March 2020) and results for standalone honours subjects completed in 2020 will be included in the GPA calculations for entry to the Doctor of Medicine program. All other 2020 subject results (i.e. completed from April 2020 to December 2020) will be excluded for entry. This is applicable from 2022 for all forthcoming intakes.

Where 2020 results are excluded we would not seek to include earlier results in their place.

# I am worried that my studies have been adversely impacted by COVID-19. Can I ask GEMSAS to have this taken into consideration for my GPA calculation?

In response to COVID-19 disruptions, GEMSAS medical schools have made changes to the way that GPAs involving 2020 studies will be calculated. However, your GPA will still be calculated based on the grades awarded by your teaching university. Any potential changes made to your grades to compensate for COVID-19 disruptions will need to be discussed with your teaching university.

#### How do I allocate subjects to years to calculate my GPA?

First, read the documents at www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations.

The GPA is calculated from the last three 'GPA years' of the key degree/s, where a 'GPA year' is the equivalent of one year of full-time study\*. This may not necessarily be the same as a calendar year or all the units at one level of study. You must determine the standard full-time load per year for your institution. One way to determine this is to take the number of credits required for degree completion and divide that by the standard duration of the program. This will give you the required credits to assign to each GPA year. We allocate by the order in which subjects were taken and not by the level of the subjects. The most recent study is attributed to Final year before working back to F-1 and F-2 GPA years until 3FTE of study is included in the GPA.

\*Exception: for The University of Queensland (UQ) the GPA is calculated over the entire duration of the degree and is not divided into years, please check UQ's school entry in this Guide for further information.

#### **Example:**

Assume that all the units you did were of equal credit point value.

If the normal program requirement is to do 24 units in a 3-year degree you would allocate 8 units a year.

Working backwards chronologically take the 8 most recently completed units and allocate them to the Final GPA Year. Then take the next 8 units and allocate them to the Final-1 GPA Year and the remaining 8 units will be the Final-2 GPA Year.

A GPA calculator is available for use on our application page (https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calc).

#### How are subjects allocated to the GPA years, if I have non-standard semesters?

Subjects are still allocated chronologically in the year they were taken. If you have undertaken any non-standard teaching periods outside of the standard Semester 1 and Semester 2 teaching periods offered at most institutions, where possible the dates of these teaching periods will inform how they are incorporated into your GPA calculation. You may be contacted for further clarification via email by the GEMSAS assessment team. If you do receive an email you will be required to attach evidence from your Institution that shows the semesters in which subjects were taken, and the overall chronology of semesters (e.g. unofficial transcript or enrolment record) via email to <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a>.

#### How are credits from prior study used in the GPA calculation?

The way in which credit from prior study is used in GPAs varies based on several factors. Some key points are given below, but please see the GPA section on our website for further details - GPA guidelines

- If results for specified credit are shown and they were studied within an eligible key degree, they will be included in GPA calculations. However, specified credit, as per the definition, requires the key degree record to show the subject codes, names, weightings and results. Most results retrieved through ARTS do not show this information.
- If prior credit does not meet this definition, it is treated as unspecified credit, i.e. we will use the most recent eligible prior study up to the number of credit points awarded as credit for prior study. Please note that we do not use hard copy transcripts where results are available via ARTS, and we will not accept transcripts provided as clarification regarding specified credit not shown in ARTS.
- For UWA the calculation is from units taken in chronological order, regardless of exemptions, credit or advanced standing which may have been applied to the most recent degree.
- Not all institutions will include study from AQF level 8 and above in the GPA as credit to an AQF level 7 program.
- Programs below AQF Level 7 (such as Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas, and Associate Degrees) are typically not factored into GPA calculations.

#### Who uses postgraduate study?

The following schools use postgraduate study in GPA calculations –

- ANU will include Graduate Diploma and Masters by Coursework results in the 3-year GPA calculation if the degree is completed or due to be completed by 31 December in the year of application
- Deakin will calculate the GPA on the most recently completed three years FTE of study, including Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Masters by coursework if successfully completed by 31 July 2024.
- Griffith will calculate the GPA using the most recently completed qualifying/key degree/s (a Combined Bachelor/ Masters, Combined Bachelor/Postgraduate Diploma, Masters by coursework; Masters by Research; or PhD) if completed by 31 July 2024. Griffith allocates an overall GPA of 7.00 for completed PhDs (when it is the most recent qualification) and a 7.00 for each full time year of a completed Masters by Research (up to a maximum duration of two years). To complete the 3-FTE years of study when using a Masters degree, the next most recent qualifying/key degree will be included as required.
- Macquarie University will calculate a GPA including Graduate Diploma and Coursework Masters, if this degree will be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Completed Higher Degree Research Masters and PhD will be used in GPA calculations if completed at the time of application.
- The University of Notre Dame will calculate the GPA on the most recently completed 3-FTE years of study including
  qualifications at Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, and Masters by coursework level, if completed by 31
  July 2024.
- UQ will accept completed Postgraduate Diplomas, Masters and PhDs as standalone qualifying/key degrees if successfully completed by the 31<sup>st</sup> of July in the year of application.
- UWA will use Graduate Certificates, Graduate Diplomas and Masters by Coursework in a 3-year GPA calculation whether complete or incomplete. Applicants with completed PhDs will receive a GPA of 7.00.
- University of Wollongong will include Graduate Diploma and Masters by Coursework results in the 3-year GPA calculation if the degree is completed or due to be completed by 31 December in the year of application.



Please see the "Entry requirements – All applicants" section for more detailed information. University of Melbourne uses the most recently-completed undergraduate degree only in GPA calculations.

# How will GEMSAS determine comparability of overseas qualification/s to the Australian Qualification Framework?

GEMSAS assessors will review all overseas documents that are received and determine the comparison level of the qualification under the <u>Australian Qualifications Framework</u> (AQF). Often, this means confirming that a Bachelor degree studied overseas is comparable in educational level to a Bachelor degree completed in Australia.

However, GEMSAS will also assess other types of post-secondary overseas qualifications claimed by applicants, such as postgraduate studies and exchange programs.

For all overseas assessments GEMSAS uses the Australian government's <u>Department of Education (DE)</u> (previously known as NOOSR/AEI NOOSR) guidelines and UK ENIC (previously UK NARIC) for verification and level comparability. Where GEMSAS is unable to determine the comparison level of a qualification using these guidelines, the assessment is passed to the institution/s to which the applicant has applied.

For more information on GEMSAS Overseas qualification assessments please visit: <a href="http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/">http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/</a>

#### How will my overseas study be converted to an Australian comparable scale?

GEMSAS uses an Australian 7-point grade point average scale to calculate GPAs. As many other countries use a different grading system, we may need to convert applicants' grades to a 7-point GPA scale before their GEMSAS GPA can be calculated.

GEMSAS will take the actual results from applicants' overseas university transcripts and use the institution grading information provided on the transcript to convert these grades to a 7-point GPA scale. To do this, we need to know the minimum required pass marks and the maximum achievable mark. GEMSAS will generally use the percentage mark where a transcript shows both an exact percentage mark and a letter grade.

If there is no information on a transcript regarding the grading scale, GEMSAS assessors may take further steps, such as researching the institution and checking the grading system on the institution's official website, or using guidelines provided by The Department of Education (DE). In some cases, we may request applicants provide further documentation that confirms the grading system used by their institution.

If you know the minimum and maximum marks you can use the **GPA Calculator** on the GEMSAS website.

#### I have studied an undergraduate degree with less than 3 FTE standard duration, am I eligible to apply?

When the standard course duration of an undergraduate degree is less than 3 FTE years when studied in full (credit was not received from another program) this may not be accepted for approved study and GPA for all institutions. Please refer to each school's section for further details on their admission requirements.

# I was interviewed at my 3rd preference and I did really well in the interview but I would rather be offered a place at my first preference. Is that possible?

You cannot be considered for an offer at a school above the preference of the school at which you were interviewed. They have already decided that either you do not meet their minimum criteria or you were not ranked highly enough to get an interview offer. That status can't change in the subsequent offer rounds despite how well you perform at interview.

#### What is the standardisation of interview scores?

The standardisation of interview scores ensures comparability between institutions. This is a statistical process which uses means and standard deviations from the different interview score distributions to put all the sets of scores onto the same scale.

#### What happens to my application after interview?

If you are not made an offer by the school at which you were interviewed, your application will remain in the system and will automatically be considered by your lower preference schools (at which you are eligible for consideration) or by the school at which you were interviewed (for a later offer) until you are either offered a place or all preferences have been

exhausted. If you are interviewed by your final preference school, your application cannot be considered by any other preference.

#### Can I get my interview score or ranking data?

GEMSAS is not able to provide any ranking data or interview scores. Many factors impact on who gets an offer and apart from the selection components used, there are also factors at play including your willingness to accept bonded or fee places, whether you are a rural or an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant and whether or not you were eligible for bonuses/adjustment or for special sub-quota places.

#### How are offers released?

All offers are decided on the same day and unsuccessful applicants are notified by email that day. GEMSAS and some medical schools advise successful applicants by email but for some medical schools offers are complex to generate, so these notifications may take a few days to reach you. Please make sure you have listed <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a>, noreply@gemsas.edu.au and GEMSAS-noreply@vtac.edu.au as 'trusted senders' in your email system.

#### How many offers will I receive?

Successful applicants are made only one offer each year. Once you have been made an offer, you are not eligible for subsequent round offers. If you decline your offer you are removed from the applicant pool and can apply again next year.

#### I want to decline an offer of a place. Can I be considered for another place or receive another offer?

Applicants are made only one offer each year. Once you have been made an offer, you are not eligible for subsequent round offers. If you decline your offer you are removed from the applicant pool and can apply again next year.

#### What is a conditional offer?

If you are made an offer of a place, and you have not completed your degree (or prerequisites for the University of Queensland, or you are undertaking additional bachelor or postgraduate studies for UWA), then the offer will be conditional. When we get your final results we will calculate your final GPA and check that it meets any conditions the school may have put on your offer (e.g. maintaining a stated GPA). If it does, your offer will be confirmed, and if it doesn't meet the conditions the offer will be withdrawn. If you studied at an ARTS university, we will try to get your final results and confirmation of completion of your degree electronically.



We may have difficulty obtaining your final results and confirmation of completion of your degree and may request your assistance to encourage your university to upload your results and completion data and to authorise the release of this information to GEMSAS.

If you studied at a non-ARTS university you will need to upload an official academic transcript that shows final results and evidence of completion of your degree.

# I had better GPA and GAMSAT scores than a friend and they were offered a place at X University. Why wasn't I offered a place?

Selection is very complex and many factors impact on whether or not you will get an offer. There are many reasons why an applicant with the same or lower GPA and GAMSAT scores as you may have been offered a place when you were not.

- They may have performed better in the interview and/or written application
- They may have come from a rural background

- They may be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Island descent
- They may have received bonus points for postgraduate study
- They may have received adjustment/bonus points or come through a preferential entry scheme that recognises disadvantage
- They may have accepted a BMP or Fee place where you indicated that you would not be prepared to accept one of these places
- They may have accepted a place in a special sub-quota

#### I have not received an offer in the main round – what happens now?

If you do not receive an offer of a place in the main round of offers after interview, your application will remain in the system. Additional offers may be made during December and January after final results of applicants completing their qualifying/key degree are known.

It is **NOT** possible for applicants to change their preferences after the application closing date.

#### What happens if I am also applying for courses outside the GEMPASS Australia medicine courses?

There are many applicants for medical school places who will not be offered an interview or a place. If you have been offered a place in another course or by an institution not participating in GEMSAS and you intend to accept that place, then please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your application for all GEMPASS Australia courses as soon as possible. Withdraw by emailing <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> quoting your GAMSATID. You will be contacted to confirm your withdrawal.

## FAQs about completing your application

#### What is the USI number and is it a mandatory requirement?

A USI is a reference number made up of ten numbers and letters. It creates an online record of your nationally recognised training and qualifications attained in Australia. Yes, it is a mandatory requirement to provide your USI number in the application. For more information see http://www.usi.gov.au/

#### I didn't receive confirmation of my submitted application or my payment

After completing the Application Form you will need to SUBMIT your application (once done you will receive an email from GEMSAS confirming your application has been submitted). You will then be taken to the payment system to make your payment. Once your payment has been made successfully you will be shown a receipt screen and you will receive an email from GEMSAS.



If you do not receive either email, please log into your GEMSAS account and check your My Emails page. If the successful submission and payment emails are not visible, please email <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> ASAP. Your application is not valid until it has been successfully submitted and paid for.

#### I have previously applied through GEMSAS

If you have previously applied through GEMSAS, you are still required to register anew online and complete and submit a new application.

**Very Important:** If there has been no change to your education history and you applied through GEMSAS *within the last two years* you **do not** need to provide GEMSAS with your academic documents again. You will be contacted should GEMSAS require any further academic documentation.

For Deakin adjustment (bonus) exceptions see pages 36 to 39.

# I have studied at the University of Notre Dame. How will the change to using ARTS results from Notre Dame impact my application?

Starting in 2024, the University of Notre Dame is adopting the ARTS process. This means if you're a current or former student, we'll attempt to access your academic results directly from the University electronically. You won't need to submit transcripts unless requested by GEMSAS staff. In case of any discrepancies, ARTS records will be used for GPA calculation and eligibility assessments.

#### Do I need to pay for each medical school preference?

You pay a single fee of \$264 and this covers up to six preferences.

#### I can't see the documentation requirements and coversheets for submitting supporting documentation

Documentation requirements and coversheets are generated according to your selections and responses. As your application progresses, the **Documentation** page with:

- documentation requirements for academic transcripts and English Language Competency documentation and
- coversheets for rural background and Deakin Adjustment (bonus)

will appear on the left of your screen. You will only have access to your coversheets once you have submitted and paid for your application. To access your documentation requirements and coversheets, after you have submitted and paid for your application, log into your application and select the **Documentation** button on the My Applications page.

If you are unsure if you should supply supporting documentation, please check pages 10 to 12 and 19 of this guide.

If you cannot upload and/or email any of the documents mentioned above, please email <u>info@gemsas.edu.au</u> and include your GAMSAT ID.

#### How do I email my supporting documentation (Rural background and/or Deakin adjustments (bonuses))?

Your coversheet/s will describe in detail where to send your supporting documentation, deadlines for emailing the documentation and what type of documents can be accepted. It is very important that you read your coversheet/s carefully.

# How do I upload my supporting documentation (Education transcripts and/or English Language Competency)?

The documentation requirements page will describe in detail where to upload your supporting documentation, deadlines for uploading the documentation, and what type of documents can be accepted. It is very important that you read this page carefully. Any incorrect documentation provided may delay the processing of your application.

#### Are there any restrictions on the types of academic documentation accepted?

Yes, we will only accept PDF or JPEG file formats, max 15MB. Word documents (.doc, docs, .rtf) are not accepted.

For Australian and New Zealand qualifications digital documents issued by My eQuals are accepted, provided they meet the My eQuals guidelines. You must download a PDF of your document from the My eQuals portal which is digitally signed by your institution and has the required security features including the certificate key or blue banner verification. Sharing links for download via My eQuals is not permitted. For example, certified documents viewed in Adobe Acrobat Reader have a blue ribbon above the document stating: "Certified by the issuing education provider... all signatures are valid". Please note that the blue ribbon/certification may not be visible in some web browsers and non-Adobe applications.

For overseas qualifications colour scans of <u>official</u> hard copy documents or institution-issued <u>secure</u> PDF documents are accepted. Scans **must** be fully legible, including any notes, codes, logos and legends. Whether security features on a PDF meet GEMSAS requirements is at the discretion of GEMSAS Assessment. Documents which do not meet security requirements, may be rejected, or may only be conditionally accepted.

Scan each document separately and include both sides (front and back) if applicable. If your academic documents have information on both sides (even if it is generic information rather than your academic results), please ensure that you scan both sides of the document. Transcripts received from the same qualification can be combined into one file.

It is very important you read the information on the Documentation requirements page as any incorrect documentation may delay the processing of your application.

GEMSAS reserves the right to sight the original of any document submitted as part of a GEMSAS application.

#### I don't have a scanner. How can I send my documents?

Phone applications can be used to scan your documents (e.g. Cam Scanner, Adobe Scan) but askew or poorly focused scans will not be accepted. Ensure that the entire document is scanned, without scanning external surround such as tabletops or a frame or your fingers. The document needs to fill the entire space and all edges of the document must be visible. The documents must not look warped by the scan.

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#### I don't have an original transcript; can I submit a certified copy?

No, **only scanned official transcripts or digitally secure PDFs** will be accepted. Screenshots, photos, certified copies, unofficial results and online printouts are not accepted.

A Statement of Results is not acceptable and is not considered in place of a full transcript, nor is a printout of an academic record.

If you are required to provide documentation, detailed guidelines will be available in the **Documentation** page in the GEMSAS application portal.

#### My transcript is not in English; should I provide a translation?

Any qualification undertaken in a language other than English must be documented by the original transcript, accompanied by an officially translated original (by a NAATI translator), in English. Scans of **original hard copy** translations (featuring the translator's original stamp and signature on every page) can be uploaded in your account. Please see the *Academic Document Submission Guidelines* for instructions on supplying digital translation documents (which feature a digitally inserted stamp or QR code).

#### I'm still studying this year; do I need to submit a 2024 transcript?

Yes. Applicants completing their qualifying/key degree in 2024 will be assessed on the basis of the information available at the time of application.

If your results are from an ARTS university, your Semester 1, 2024 results will be electronically retrieved during June and July. If you have any unpaid fees at your university we will not be able to retrieve your results until these have been attended to. **Please do this ASAP**.

Please note that we do not use hard copy transcripts where results are available via ARTS, and we will not accept transcripts provided as clarification regarding study not shown in ARTS.

For study at a non-ARTS university, in Semester 1, 2024 please upload an official academic transcript as soon as possible. Please upload the required official transcripts and/or completion certificate by **Wednesday 17 July 2024**.

Applicants completing their degree in 2024 will only be offered an interview if the GPA at the time of application (with 2024 results to date) meets the required level.



Such applicants should also note that while decisions on interview offers will be made on the basis of results available at the time of application, final 2024 results may be used to determine offers of a place. Refer to each school's entry in this Guide for more information.

#### I'm currently studying and plan on taking an Early Exit, what do I do?

If you are currently studying a program and intend on taking an Early Exit or Alternative Award at the end of the year, you **must** declare this in your application. You should select the actual year you are due to complete your study, list that the completion status is "I am currently studying, but will not complete the qualification this year" and complete the early exit question that will generate.

If after you submit your application you realise you did not claim this information, or you decide you will be taking an early exit, you must inform GEMSAS (<a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a>) as soon as possible so your account and study details can be updated. If you are taking an early or alternative exit, it is your responsibility to ensure that the exit meets the entry requirements of your preferences and to inform GEMSAS, in a timely manner.

Examples of combined programs that could lead to an early exit are:

Bachelor/Bachelor

Bachelor/Master

Bachelor/Postgraduate Diploma

#### **Bachelor with Embedded Honours**

For example, if you are currently studying a Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts and at the end of the year plan to complete and be awarded the Bachelor of Science, this should be declared as an early exit on your application. Similarly, if you are currently studying a Bachelor/Masters program, and plan on taking an early exit to be awarded the single Bachelor degree then this should also be declared.

#### **Exchange studies and transcripts**

Exchange studies are part of your degree and therefore we use the results from those studies in calculating your GPA. Exchange studies may appear on your home university transcript as pass/fail subjects, but we use the attained results from the exchange institution's transcript to calculate your GPA.



# You must obtain and supply an official transcript for any exchange studies you have done. Exception:

The University of Western Australia will normally use the results that appear on the home university's transcript (in most cases this is an ungraded pass or an ungraded fail). Please see the Faculty website for further information and for exceptions to this general rule.

Any qualification undertaken in a language other than English must be documented by the original transcript, accompanied by an officially translated original (by a NAATI translator), in English. Scans of **original hard copy** translations (featuring the translator's original stamp and signature on every page) can be uploaded in your account. Please see the *Academic Document Submission Guidelines* for instructions on supplying digital translation documents (which feature a digitally inserted stamp or QR code).

#### My declared study and/or results have changed. What should I do?

Ensure you inform GEMSAS ASAP if there is any change to your study, especially your qualifying/key degree.

Ensure you inform <u>GEMSAS</u> ASAP if there is an update to a Semester 1 or Semester 2 result or if there is a delay in obtaining a Semester 1 or Semester 2 result (e.g. sitting a special/supplementary or deferred exam), so GEMSAS is made aware of the need to retrieve these results.



Note that ARTS results are retrieved on request and unless you notify us of updates, we will not request ARTS results outside of the scheduled times.

#### What study should I declare in the application?

**ALL tertiary study** is to be declared (this includes completed and incomplete study), whether relevant or not to your qualifying/key degree.

#### I have lodged through GEMSAS two or more applications for medicine

Only your **first submitted** application will be processed, regardless of which application has been paid for.

#### How do I apply for the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway and do I need a current GAMSAT?

You can only have **one** medicine application.

#### Either:

• An application to the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway **and** any other university or any other pathway through Deakin, which would require a current GAMSAT.

Please continue with your application, as per the normal process.

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#### OR

An application only to the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway without a current GAMSAT.
 Please contact info@gemsas.edu.au for process information and requirements.

If you are applying to Deakin for the RTS Tier 1 pathway **ONLY** and will not use or do not have a current GAMSAT, and are **NOT** applying to any other medical school through GEMSAS:

- Please email info@gemsas.edu.au for process information and requirements.
- This is for applicants who are ONLY preferencing Deakin University and selecting the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway (select Rural background and select the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway in the application).
- You should ensure you are eligible for the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway prior to applying (see page 31 of the guide).
- If you are assessed as not eligible for the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway, your application will no longer be considered.

#### If you have a current GAMSAT, and are applying to other medical schools through GEMSAS:

- If you are applying for the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway, you must ensure that you are eligible for this pathway, i.e. you must be eligible for rural background AND meet the criteria for the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway see the Admissions guide for more information.
- When Deakin considers your application, with a current GAMSAT, for the Deakin RTS Tier 1 pathway, it will be considered using the criteria outlined in the Admissions Guide for this pathway (i.e. your GAMSAT score will not be considered and if you do not meet the 10 year rule, it will be waived).

GEMSAS policy will be enforced: Only your first submitted application will be processed, regardless of which application has been paid for. Once submitted no further updates or changes to your application will be allowed.

Applicants who have had a ban imposed by ACER are not eligible to be considered for entry into the Deakin Rural Training Stream during the time of their ban.

#### How do I submit my written application for the Deakin University Rural Training Stream (RTS)?

The written application for the RTS is completed in the application form and submitted once you submit your application. To avoid any loss of data due to session closure we suggest you complete your written application offline first and copy it into the live online application once you are satisfied with your work. As character count methods differ between programs you will need to check your written application using the *review of responses* generated PDF. If your written application was not copied in its entirety you may need to do some further online editing to reduce the character count. Some special characters, such as quotation marks, may be removed for security and formatting reasons.

# What information/emails, that have been sent to my email address, will be visible on the My Emails page in my GEMSAS account?

The My Emails page in your GEMSAS account should be checked regularly.

The following GEMSAS emails will be visible on the My Emails page:

- Confirmation of Registration, Submitted, Payment emails
- Emails from the Assessment team re: academic documents and/or education study claims
- Undeclared study and outcome emails
- Interview offer and/or Place Offer, only if the offer email is sent on behalf of the medical school by GEMSAS
- Unsuccessful notification for interview and place offers
- Courtesy reminders

#### The following emails will **NOT** be visible on the My Emails page:

• GEMSAS Rural background emails

- GEMSAS Deakin adjustment (bonus) emails
- Interview offer and/or Place Offer, if the offer email is sent directly from the medical school
- Email correspondence from <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> and <a href="mailto:GEMSAS.academic@vtac.edu.au">GEMSAS.academic@vtac.edu.au</a>
- Email correspondence sent directly from individual medical schools

#### How do I know if my documents have been accepted?

If you have uploaded your documentation, you will be able to view the documents that have been accepted in the **Documentation** button on the My Applications page of your application. If anything further is required, or the documents were not up to the acceptable guidelines you will be notified via email.

For the Deakin Adjustment and Rural background supporting documentation, you will receive an automated response acknowledging receipt once you email your supporting documentation.

#### How can I update my personal details after I have submitted my application?

After you have completed your application you can update your gender, email, phone number, postal and/or residential addresses by logging back in to your application at <a href="mailto:applygemsas.edu.au">applygemsas.edu.au</a> and updating details in the Account, Personal Details and Contact Details sections.

If you need to advise GEMSAS of an error in your date of birth or Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status, or a change to your current name or citizenship details, please email <a href="mailto:info@gemsas.edu.au">info@gemsas.edu.au</a> and include your GAMSAT ID along with the updated information.

#### How to calculate your GPA

For information on Grade Point Averages and how to calculate your GPA please view the documents on our website, <a href="http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/">http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/</a>. A GPA calculator is available for use on our application page at <a href="https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calculations/">https://applygemsas.edu.au/gemsas/#/gpa-calculations/</a>.

In general, this information applies to all schools but please note local variations outlined on university websites and in the university specific information pages in this Guide.

Exception: The University of Queensland (UQ), please check UQ's school entry in this Guide for further information.

Before you calculate your GPA, you should read the sections 'Before You Apply' and 'How to Apply'.

The GEMSAS medical schools have considered options for changing GPA methodology, recognising the impact of COVID-19 on 2020 study. As a result a number of schools have made changes, deciding whether or not to include 2020 results in GPA calculations. See the school entry section for changes/updates.

## **International Applications**

International applicants must apply directly to all universities at which they wish to study. GEMSAS accepts and processes applications from domestic applicants only.

## Appendix A: Institutions Participating in ARTS (Automated Results Transfer System)

You do NOT need to provide academic transcripts for studies undertaken at the following institutions:

#### **AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

Australian National University	Canberra CAE	University of Canberra
Australian Catholic University	Canberra Institute of the Arts	

#### **NEW SOUTH WALES**

Australian Catholic University	University of Wollongong	University of New South Wales
Sydney College of the Arts	Western Sydney University (University of Western Sydney)	Charles Sturt University
University of New England	New South Wales Institute of Technology	Macquarie University
University of Newcastle	Southern Cross University	University of Sydney
University of Technology, Sydney	CQ University	University of Notre Dame, Australia

#### **NORTHERN TERRITORY**

Charles Darwin University (formerly Northern Territory University)

Darwin Institute of Technology

#### **QUEENSLAND**

Australian Catholic University	Griffith University	Queensland Institute of Technology
Bond University	James Cook University	CQ University
Queensland University of		
Technology	Darling Downs IAE	University of Queensland, The (UQ)
Gold Coast CAE	University of Southern Queensland	Queensland Agricultural CAE
Queensland Institute of Technology		
(Capricornia)	University of the Sunshine Coast	

#### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

The University of Adelaide	University of South Australia	Flinders University of South Australia
CQ University		

#### **TASMANIA**

Australian Maritime College
Tasmanian CAE
Tasmanian State Institute of Technology
University of Tasmania

#### **VICTORIA**

Australian Catholic University	CQ University	Victoria College - all campuses 1985 onwards
La Trobe University	Swinburne University of Technology	Victoria University (formerly Victoria University of Technology)
Deakin University	University of Melbourne	Federation University Australia (formerly University of Ballarat)
Victorian College of the Arts	Monash University	RMIT University
Warrnambool IAE	Caulfield Institute of Technology	Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology

#### **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Edith Cowan University	Curtin University (Curtin University of Technology)	The University of Western Australia
Western Australian CAE	Murdoch University	Western Australian Institute of Technology
University of Notre Dame, Australia		

#### **AUSTRALIA**

Open Universities Australia



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Scans of **original hard copy** translations (featuring the translator's original stamp and signature on every page) can be uploaded in your account. Please see the *Academic Document Submission Guidelines* for instructions on supplying digital translation documents (which feature a digitally inserted stamp or QR code).

**Appendix B: Grading System Conversion Table** 

Α	Subject GPA	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н
100	7							
99	7							
98	7							
97	7							
96	7							
95	7							
94	7	HD/7	HD	HD	HD/>=7/A	H1	>=8	A+/A/A-
93	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
92	7	-		-			-	-
91	7							
90	7							
89	7							
88	7							
87	7							
86	7							
85	7							
84	7				1			
83	7							
82	7							
81	7							
80	7	D/6	D	D				
79	6.5	6.75	6.75	6.75				
7 <del>9</del> 78	6.5	0.75	0.75	0.75				
77	6.5					H2A		B+
77 76	6.5					6.5		6.5
76 75	6.5				D/DI/6/B/DN	0.5	7	0.5
75 74	6.5				6.25		6.25	
					0.25		0.25	
73	6					Han		ъ
72	6					H2B		В
71	6					6		6
70	6	/-		_				
69	5.5	CR/5	CR	С				
68	5.5	5.75	5.75	5.5				
67	5.5					Н3		B-
66	5.5					5.5		5.5
65	5.5				CR/5/C		6	
64	5				5.25		5.25	
63	5							
62	5							C+
61	5							5
60	5				1			
59	4.5	P/4	Pass Div 1					
58	4.5	4.5	4.75			P		
57	4.5					4.5		С
56	4.5			Р	P/PA/4/D		5	4.5
55	4.5			4.25	4.25		4.25	
54	4							
53	4							
52	4		Pass Div II					C-
51	4		4					4
50	4							
49	0							
48	0							
47	0	UP/CQ/PC/3		PC	CP/NC/PC/C*/NI		PC	D*
46	0	3.5		3.5	3.5		3.5	3.5
45	0							
<44	0	F/N/<3	F/N	F	F/2/1/N/N2/3	F/N	F	E
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Conceded pass, faculty pass, etc. – GPA grade of 3.5. Otherwise GPA of zero

# If you have a percentage mark where the minimum for an unrestricted pass grade is 50 per cent, use column A to read off the corresponding GPA grade.

All supplementary passes will be awarded a GPA value of 4.

This conversion table is only relevant for Australian and New Zealand Universities listed below. For all other institutions (non-ARTS and Overseas) your transcript grading schema will be used to convert your grades to the 7-point equivalent grading scale. If your official transcript displays percentage marks column A will be used.

Conversion Table Code (only where no subject results are available)			
Column			
А	Use Column A if you have an official record of your mark (percentage)		
В	ACU, Adelaide, Bond, Canberra, Central Queensland, Charles Sturt, Flinders, Griffith, James Cook, Macquarie, Newcastle, New England, NSW, Queensland, QUT, Southern Cross, Southern Queensland, Sunshine Coast, Swinburne Pre-2014, Sydney, UTS, Western Sydney, Wollongong, Charles Darwin 2013 onwards		
С	South Australia		
D	Charles Darwin Pre 2013		
Е	ANU, Federation Uni, Ballarat, Deakin, Edith Cowan, La Trobe, Monash, Murdoch, Notre Dame, Open Universities Australia, RMIT, Swinburne 2014 onwards, Tasmania, Victoria, Western Australia		
F	Melbourne		
G	Curtin		
Н	New Zealand universities and Polytechnics		

## Australian Honours degree award

Honours degree		
Award	GPA Grade	
First	7.0	
2A	6.0	
2B	5.0	
Third	4.0	

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