



Addendum: GPA/WAM methodology changes for prospective GEMSAS applicants currently studying their key/qualifying degree in 2020.

Medicine – medical schools with changed GPA methodology for current study applicants:

The Australian National University	
GPA calculation:	Where an applicant is completing the final year of their degree in 2020, 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 2020 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.

Deakin University	
Currently studying applicants only:	2020 Calendar year results will not be used in the GPA calculation. Applicants completing their qualifying degree in 2020 will have a GPA calculated based on the previous two most recent years of study.
GPA calculation:	<p>Applicants studying in the final year of their degree in 2020 and who have 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.</p> <p>Applicants studying in the final year of their degree in 2020 and have less than 0.25FTE of their final year requirements completed, will have their GPA calculated from the Final - 1 and Final - 2 years only. Years will be progressively weighted x5 and x1 to give greater weight to the most recent results.</p>

Griffith University	
Currently studying applicants:	Bachelor Degree Bachelor Degree with embedded honours.
GPA calculation:	<p>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 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.</p> <p>Due to COVID-19 applicants for admission in 2021 in their final year of a Bachelor degree will have any study completed in Semester/Trimester 1 2020 assessed as follows: *Ungraded passes to a maximum of one semester/trimester FTE study will be disregarded.</p>

	<p>* Graded courses or a combination of graded and ungraded courses will have a GPA calculated using the GEMSAS schema – ungraded courses will be disregarded.</p> <p>* Applicants may request to have ALL Semester/Trimester 1 grades disregarded. However, applicants cannot request to have individual Semester/Trimester 1 grades disregarded.</p> <p>Requests to have Semester/Trimester 1 2020 grades disregarded must be sent to medicine@griffith.edu.au no later than 5pm on 24th July 2020.</p> <p>Late requests and multiple requests will not be entertained.</p> <p>For incomplete Bachelor degrees with embedded Honours Semester /Trimester 1 2020 results will be assessed in the same way as incomplete Bachelor degrees and the balance of the GPA assessed on the 3rd and 2nd year subject results.</p>
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Macquarie University	
Currently studying applicants:	The Key degree is the most recent degree or accepted post graduate qualification, as noted in the Admissions Guide. Minimum study load for final year GPA is 'No minimum'.
GPA calculation:	An applicant completing the final year of their qualification in 2020, and has graded subject results from 2020, will have their GPA calculated from these results with the normal weightings as noted in the GEMSAS Medicine Admissions Guide: Final x 3, Final -1 x 2 and Final -2 x 1. Ungraded units from 2020 will be excluded from the GPA calculation.

The University of Melbourne	
Currently studying applicants:	Results for 2020 subjects completed before the COVID-19 pandemic will be included for 2021 entry. All other 2020 subject results will be excluded for 2021 entry.
GPA calculation:	The weighting of GPA has not been changed.

The University of Western Australia	
Currently studying applicants:	2020 studies will be attributed as Ungraded Pass/Fail results, utilising the point value (subject weighting) for studies completed.
GPA calculation:	Due to COVID-19 implications, all results obtained from 2020 will be recognised as ungraded pass/fail and no marks will be attributed to the GPA result. The point value (subject weighting) will be utilised as if results were provided even where there are earlier results which can be utilised.

The University of Wollongong	
Currently studying applicants:	The key degree remains the most recently completed three year bachelor degree or two year bachelor degree (graduate entry) as per the Admissions Guide.
GPA calculation:	<p>In response to the changes in grading and timelines for release of results across universities due to COVID-19, subject results for semester/trimester 1 2020 will be excluded from GPA calculations for 2021 entry. Only results for 2020 subjects completed <u>before</u> the COVID-19 pandemic will be included.</p> <p>Applicants currently studying: if an applicant has completed less than 37.5 FTE of their final year subjects before the COVID pandemic, then a two year calculation will be used (Final-minus-2 x 1, Final-minus-1 x 2) which will then be divided by 3.</p> <p>If an applicant has completed 37.5 FTE or more of final year subjects before the COVID pandemic, then these will be included in the final year of the GPA calculation.</p>
Other information:	The inclusion of Semester 2, 2020 results will be reviewed in due course. UOW reserves the right to recalculate GPAs at any point during the assessment process for admission into the MD program.

Dentistry - changed GPA methodology for current study applicants:

The University of Melbourne	
Currently studying applicants:	Results for 2020 subjects completed before the COVID-19 pandemic will be included for 2021 entry. All other 2020 subject results will be excluded for 2021 entry.
GPA calculation:	The weighting of GPA has not been changed.

Optometry - changed WAM methodology for current study applicants:

The University of Melbourne	
Currently studying applicants:	Results for subjects completed in an undergraduate or Honours year degree in 2020 before the COVID-19 pandemic will be included in the WAM. All other subjects completed in 2020 will be excluded from the WAM calculation.
WAM calculation:	<p>For currently enrolled students finishing at the end of semester 1 2020, the following weighting will apply: Second year undergraduate): 1/3 Third year undergraduate): 2/3</p> <p>For currently enrolled students finishing at the end of semester 2 2020, the following weighting will apply: Second year undergraduate): 3/3</p>