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at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo NSW

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# WELCOME



The School of Rural Health has had a long history of delivering quality medical education in the beautiful regional city of Dubbo, in central west NSW. Now, we are very proud to build on that success with the commencement of the full University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine degree in 2022.

We know that training our future doctors in regional Australia helps boost our local medical workforce, and in turn this promotes the health, wellbeing and strength of our communities. If prospective students are able to live, study and train in regional Australia, we know they are more likely to choose regional practice to build their medical career. We hope to see many local students and those from a rural background studying in Dubbo, and we also hope to increase the number of Indigenous students studying medicine, both from this region and across Australia.



Here at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo you will not only be able to study the world-class University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine, you will also reap the benefits of a smaller cohort, closer relationships to your tutors and supervisors, and experience more hands-on support from our clinicians, researchers and academics. You will have access to state-of-the-art teaching facilities and comfortable, fully furnished on-site accommodation. Most importantly, you will experience living in a thriving regional city that is a hub for medical education and innovation.

We welcome you to consider studying medicine in Dubbo, particularly if you have an interest in rural, remote or Indigenous health. We believe our supportive, encouraging environment and first-class medical education will provide students with a strong foundation to build a rewarding and fulfilling career.

**Professor Mark Arnold**

Head of Clinical School, School of Rural Health (Dubbo/Orange)

**Professor Jane Bleasel**

Director MD program, Sydney Medical School

**Professor Cheryl Jones**

Head of School and Dean, Sydney Medical School



# FOREWORD



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I am Aunty Pat Doolan. I am a Tubba-gah Wiradjuri woman born on the Talbragar Reserve in Dubbo in 1942. I grew up in Dubbo and when I married Terry, the love of my life, we moved to Bourke where we raised our five clever children. We returned to Dubbo where I continued to follow my passion— education. I have enjoyed encouraging generations of young ones to be inspired about learning and to find and follow their passion.

We are very proud to have a medical school in Dubbo. This is an opportunity for local people to study medicine without having to leave the community and equally an opportunity for people from elsewhere to study medicine in Dubbo. You will come to love Dubbo and the unique experiences you will have here.

I would like to welcome you on to Wiradjuri Country. Come and get to know us. Know that people from all Nations are welcome here. We have lots of sacred and important knowledge we would like to share and we would like you to share your knowledge with us.

**Aunty Pat Doolan**  
Tubba-gah Wiradjuri Elder



# STUDYING MEDICINE AND BECOMING A DOCTOR

The University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine (MD) is a four-year postgraduate medical program. It is being offered in two streams, at the Sydney Camperdown campus, and from 2022 at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo.

To be eligible to apply, you need to graduate from a bachelor's degree and sit the Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT). Pursuing a career in medicine can be a competitive process and the steps involved will depend on different factors, including the course and speciality you choose. Below is a general guide to becoming a doctor, from applying to the University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine (MD) program to starting a medical career.

## 1. Graduate from a bachelor's degree

At Sydney, you can complete a variety of undergraduate degrees from arts and commerce to science or pharmacy before studying medicine. This encourages a diverse cohort of medical students from a range of backgrounds. There are some standard requirements applicants must meet for their bachelor's degree, including a minimum GPA from a recognised institution. There are also special pathways for rural and Indigenous students, which may have different requirements. For more information and current admission criteria, please visit:

- [sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine](https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine)

## 2. Sit the GAMSAT

The Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) is a standardised exam used to assess the capabilities of students wishing to study medicine at many universities, including the University of Sydney. Students in their penultimate or final year of a bachelor's degree are permitted to sit the GAMSAT, offered twice a year in March and September. To be eligible for admission at the University of Sydney, prospective students must achieve a satisfactory GAMSAT score.

## 3. Study the Doctor of Medicine

The University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine (MD) program is an excellent training platform on which to build a career in medicine. The new MD curriculum and course structure was launched in 2020 to enhance learning opportunities through earlier clinical exposure, added personalisation options, new research opportunities, and immersive clinical placements. From 2022, the University of Sydney MD will also include the Dubbo Stream, giving students the opportunity to complete the entire program in a regional setting at the long-established University of Sydney School of Rural Health in Dubbo, NSW.





#### 4. Complete an intern year

After completing their medical degree, graduates must undertake one year (47 weeks) as an intern in a hospital. Six weeks prior to the completion of a medical degree, students apply for provisional registration with the Australian Medical Board to complete this supervised year of practice.

#### 5. Gain general medical registration through the Medical Board of Australia

After completing an accredited intern year in Australia or New Zealand, graduates are awarded general medical registration through the Medical Board of Australia. Registration renews on 30 September each year. Practicing graduates must maintain registration throughout their career.

#### 6. Complete one or more years of prevocational training

After completing training as an intern in a public hospital, most medical graduates go on to pursue additional training as Resident Medical Officers (RMO) to better prepare for medical specialty programs. The amount of time spent in this role will vary depending on the specialty you choose.

#### 7. Obtain fellowship through a specialty medical training program

Once you have completed a sufficient amount of training as an intern and RMO, you will be able to apply for admission into a medical specialty training program via speciality colleges. These vocational training programs can vary in length from three to seven years, after which you will be able to practice medicine independently as a general practitioner, specialist physician or surgeon.

The admission process for the Doctor of Medicine is very detailed. You can follow a step-by-step timeline and download the latest version of the comprehensive MD Admissions Guide at

- [sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine](https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine)

## DEMOGRAPHICS – MD COHORT 2020

**20%** of Sydney's MD students come from non-biomedical science educational backgrounds



Top non-science courses – commerce, arts, law, engineering

**24**  
YEARS

Average age – 24 years at time of enrolment



Gender split – 55% male, 45% female students

# THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (MD)

The University of Sydney MD is a four-year graduate-entry course that integrates study of the basic biomedical sciences with clinical sciences and methods. The MD program gives students a strong foundation for their future in medicine, whether in clinical practice, research or public health. Find out about the curriculum, what you'll study and where you can study below.

## Innovative curriculum

The new MD curriculum and course structure was launched in 2020 to enhance learning through earlier clinical exposure, added personalisation options, new research opportunities, and immersive clinical placements in the last year of the program, preparing students for practice as a doctor.

Key benefits of the new program include:

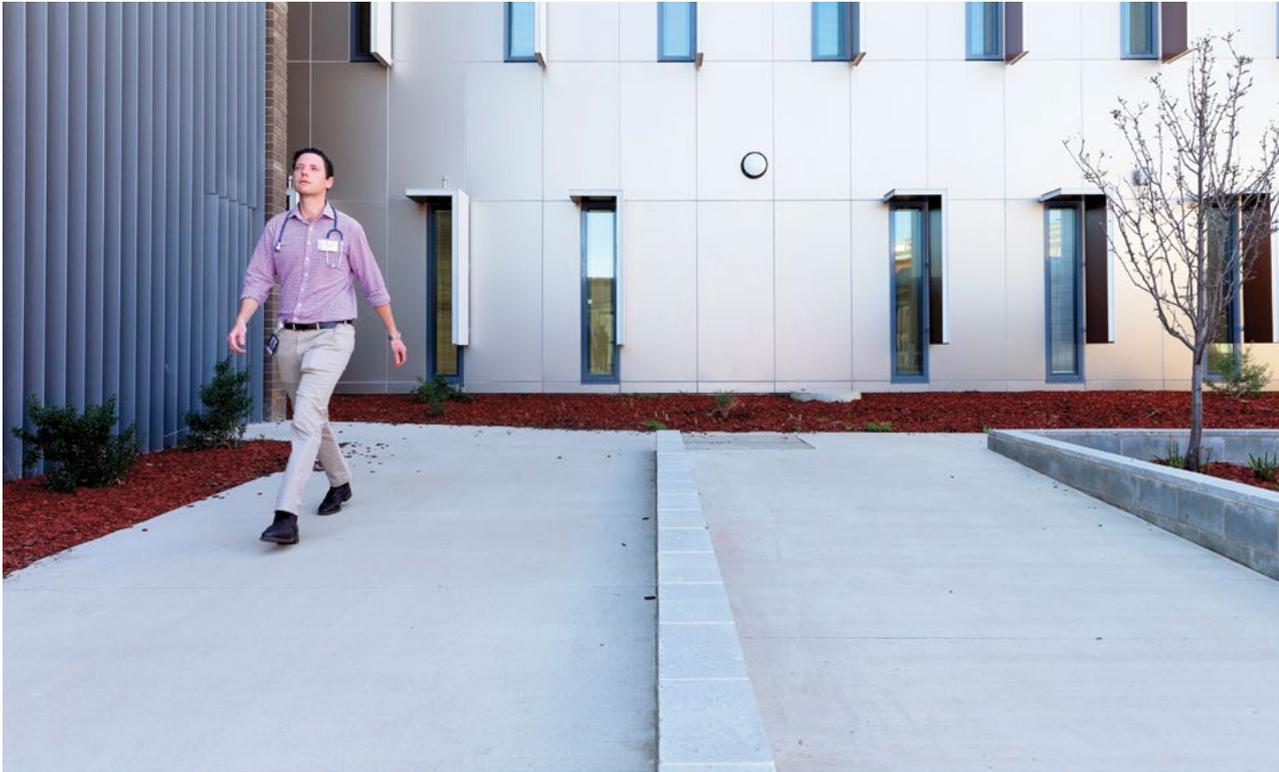
- **Earlier clinical exposure:** The program increases clinical exposure and immersion throughout the degree. You will gain hands-on experience from as early as your second week.
- **Personalised pathways:** You will have the opportunity to develop skills in specific areas through elective and selective studies.
- **Research opportunities:** The program integrates a substantial research project in year three with access to some of the world's leading researchers, institutes and networks.
- **Pre-internship year:** The entire fourth year of the program acts as a pre-internship, giving students full clinical immersion.
- **Diverse student cohort:** A biomedical science degree is not a prerequisite.
- **Preparation:** A foundational knowledge course is available to all students on enrolment to ensure assumed knowledge in anatomy, physiology, molecular and cell biology is met.

- **Placements:** You will have access to placement opportunities in both rural and international settings to develop your experience in a wide range of medical environments.
- **Study abroad opportunities:** You may be able to undertake a four to eight week clinical or research placement overseas during your elective term.

## What you'll study

The Doctor of Medicine is made up of 192 credit points and consists of 4 years of full-time study. It comprises of eight vertical themes that run through all four years of the course. These themes are – basic and clinical sciences, clinical skills, diagnostics and therapy, research, evidence and informatics, population health, Indigenous health, ethics, law and professionalism and interprofessional teamwork.

In year one students work through a number of blocks that cover all body systems from both basic science and clinical perspectives, with an emphasis on understanding the scientific foundations of clinical reasoning and medical practice. These key areas of study include cardiovascular sciences, respiratory sciences, musculoskeletal/immunology, endocrine nutrition, renal urology, gastroenterology, sexual health and reproduction and neurosciences.



In year two, students build on this knowledge in all major aspects of clinical medicine. They will also be allocated to a research project, known as the MD Project. The MD Project adds depth to aspects of the medical studies and give students the experience of developing, managing and reporting on a circumscribed project under supervision. Students will have a number of options for their projects, ranging from an advanced clinical assignment to a small research project. The project will culminate in a written report or an article suitable for publication.

While practical clinical experience forms the basis for all learning in the latter two years of the Doctor of Medicine, it is accompanied by a structured teaching program. In general, formal teaching sessions reduce in number and frequency, as the greater emphasis is on preparation for practice. This entails a full time, extended clinical placement in a hospital, medical, surgical or general practice setting. Students work as part of the clinical multidisciplinary team under supervision, cementing and integrating the knowledge, skills and professional attributes they have developed over the program.

### Where you can study

The University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine (MD) is delivered in two streams: The Metropolitan stream at the Camperdown campus and metropolitan clinical schools and the Dubbo Stream, which will be offered at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo, NSW. The School of Rural Health is a long-established rural clinical school of the University of Sydney, and from 2022 will be commencing the delivery of the full four-year Doctor of Medicine program.





# DOCTOR OF MEDICINE - DUBBO STREAM

From 2022 the University of Sydney MD program will be offered in two streams – the Metropolitan Stream offered at the University’s campus in Camperdown, and the Dubbo Stream based at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo, in regional NSW.

The Dubbo Stream has been developed under the Australian Government’s Murray–Darling Medical Schools Network (MDMSN), which is establishing five new regional medical programs in NSW and Victoria. The aim is to give students a broad understanding of rural life, the health of rural communities, and the organisation and delivery of rural and remote health services, with the goal of encouraging more practitioners to consider a career in rural or remote medical practice. The MDMSN will also aim to attract more interest from rural students who may already be considering a career in medicine but would prefer not to relocate to Sydney or other metropolitan cities.

An investment of more than \$7 million to construct new education buildings and state-of-the-art facilities at the School of Rural Health will support the delivery of the Dubbo Stream. This adds to the already established site of teaching, administration and student buildings. On-site accommodation is available for Year 1 students. Clinical teaching will be centred on the newly redeveloped Dubbo Hospital, which has a wide range of specialist capabilities.

The Dubbo Stream is only available to students eligible for a Commonwealth Supported Place. The 24 students in each cohort of the Dubbo Stream will also have the opportunity to undertake remote medicine placements in western and far west NSW.

## Why choose the Dubbo Stream?

If you have an interest in rural medicine or would like to live and study in a regional location, the Dubbo Stream may be the right choice for you. Students at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo will study the same world-class University of Sydney MD, only delivered in a thriving regional centre in central west NSW, which offers many educational and lifestyle benefits.

Students at the School of Rural Health gain as much hands-on experience as possible, they see a different range of clinical problems from those in metropolitan settings and have a greater opportunity to become involved in patient care. Students attending the School of Rural Health report enhanced learning outcomes and greater networking opportunities, due to the smaller class sizes and personal access to their tutors and supervisors.

Here are some reasons why the Dubbo Stream might be the right choice for you:

- If you have an interest in rural medicine or practicing in a regional location.
- Personalised study experience. Smaller classes and more face-to-face time with clinicians and tutors.
- Cost of living. Regional centres are more affordable for housing, transport and services.
- Lifestyle – enjoy the more relaxed regional pace of life with easier travel and commuting.
- Train in a modern hospital with new facilities. The \$241 million upgrade of Dubbo Hospital is nearing completion.
- Supportive community of local general practitioners and specialists.
- Mentoring with senior clinical staff and network closely with the local medical fraternity.
- Meaningful research that will benefit rural and remote communities.
- Easy access to a dedicated team of education support staff and academics.
- Training with the Royal Flying Doctor Service.
- Stronger focus on rural and Indigenous health.
- Well supported rural and remote placement.

# INDIGENOUS HEALTH SPOTLIGHT

We are excited to share the new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health component of the MD program.

The curriculum is designed to support your development as a clinician so that you feel confident to be able to provide the best possible health care to Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander patients, for better health outcomes in the future.

Over the next four years you will have the opportunity to immerse yourself into new learnings centring around culture, history, past government policy, research, and clinical and population health from an Indigenous context. Learning activities include skills, practical experiences, lectures, seminars, workshops, independent learning. Your learnings will be put into practice through problem-based learning (PBL) and role plays, and placements within the hospital and community.

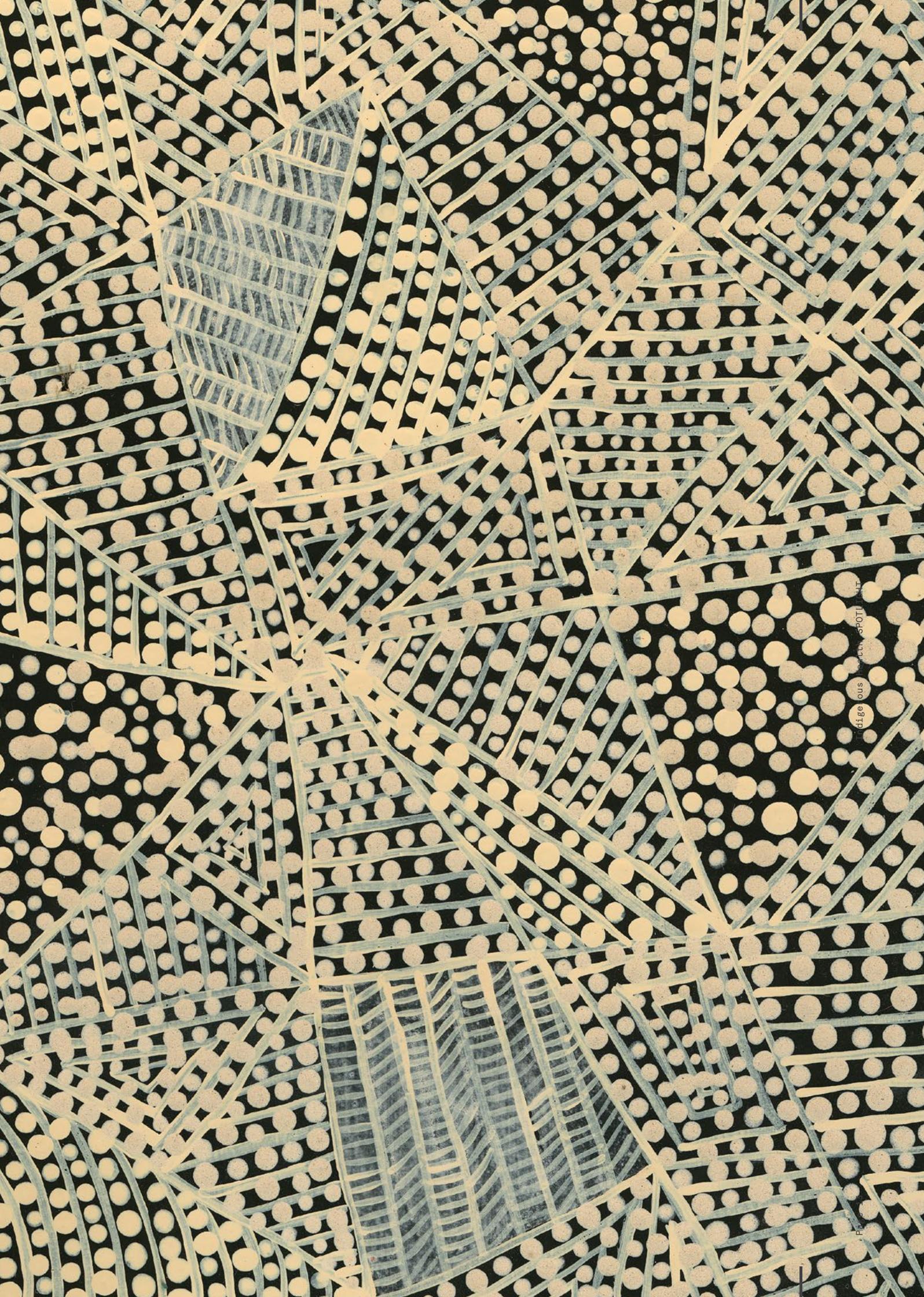
In Dubbo, you have a wonderful opportunity to engage with and treat Aboriginal people in the community and in the health setting both as patients and as health care staff.



“The Doctor of Medicine Dubbo stream is a great opportunity for students from our region and further afield, to study medicine rurally. We hope it will provide a pathway to boost the representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the medical workforce, resulting in culturally appropriate care and improved health outcomes for Indigenous Australians. We are excited to support you on your journey and look forward to seeing you in Dubbo!”

**Cheryl Ah-See**  
Indigenous Student Recruitment and Support Officer,  
School of Rural Health (Dubbo/Orange)





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# ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF RURAL HEALTH

The University of Sydney School of Rural Health was established as a rural clinical school in 2001. More than 300 medical students have passed through its doors and many graduates choose to stay on in the region to complete their internships and establish a successful medical career.

The School of Rural Health is located on Moran Drive, within minutes walking distance to Dubbo Hospital and directly opposite Dubbo Private Hospital, in the city's emerging health precinct. The leafy, open-space grounds feature teaching and administration buildings, clinical skills labs, tutorial rooms, lecture theatre and student accommodation.

To deliver the full Doctor of Medicine (MD) program, the School of Rural Health has undergone a \$7 million expansion adding many new facilities to complement the already established buildings. Students have direct access to teaching buildings and there are a range of lifestyle facilities to maintain study-life balance and enjoy opportunities to socialise and relax. As University of Sydney students, those studying at the School of Rural Health can access student life resources offered at Camperdown, including library access, clubs and student services.

The School of Rural Health offers:

- State-of-the-art anatomy teaching labs
- Simulation training using latest technology
- Diverse learning spaces
- High-quality video conferencing facilities
- Quiet study areas
- Student recreation spaces
- Student accommodation
- Outdoor gym
- Swimming pool
- Tennis court
- Fire pit and barbecue area

## Accommodation

First year students studying the Doctor of Medicine at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo will have the option of living in the modern, well-equipped and convenient student accommodation located on site. Our well-maintained, serviced accommodation range from five-bedroom houses to single-occupancy units. Students enjoy being in close proximity to both the education facilities at the School of Rural Health and Dubbo Hospital.

## Education facilities

The School of Rural Health has everything needed to deliver quality medical education, including teaching and administration buildings, anatomy and simulation labs, tutorial rooms, lecture theatres and meeting spaces. To deliver the Dubbo Stream, a \$7.65 million investment in capital works from the Australian Government, combined with a generous philanthropic gift, will see the construction of new anatomy teaching spaces, lecture rooms and a six-suite simulation training centre.

## Lifestyle facilities

The School of Rural Health Dubbo accommodation includes an outdoor gym, swimming pool, tennis court, common rooms with TVs, lounges, dining and gaming areas, kitchen appliances, laundry facilities, pool table, barbecue area, bicycles, sporting and camping equipment and a veggie patch. You will have wi-fi, computers and printing facilities, as well as a weekly cleaning service.

To find out more about the School of Rural Health, visit

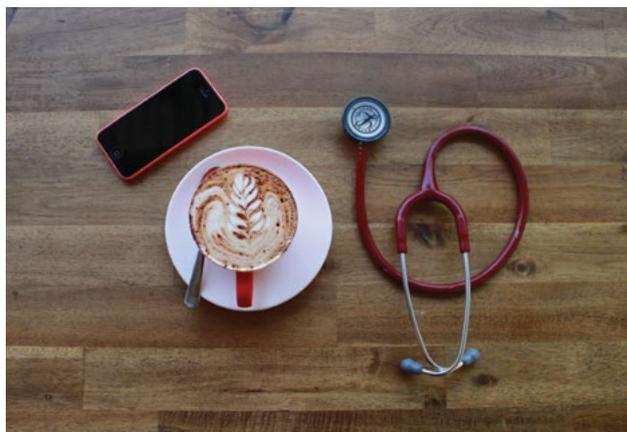
- [sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/schools/clinical-schools/rural-health-dubbo-orange](https://sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/schools/clinical-schools/rural-health-dubbo-orange)

### Student Life

Students at the School of Rural Health enjoy the benefits of a smaller cohort size and the benefits of living in a thriving regional city. In their time here, the students engage with the community, get involved in local clubs, sporting and social events, and most importantly make supportive and positive bonds with their peers.

Living and working in a regional area often has a lasting impact on our students, who have the benefit of closer relationships with mentoring clinicians and get to appreciate the greater opportunities for work/life balance.

Many graduates of the School of Rural Health have returned to complete their internships in Dubbo, and to practice full time in the community as GPs and specialists.



### Hear from a Dubbo graduate

“My time in Dubbo was the highlight of medical school! It led to many great times, incredible memories, and lifelong friendships. You can’t replicate the clinical and personal experiences you’re afforded at the School of Rural Health – getting to work with and be guided by all the excellent clinicians and teachers really contributed to my strengths as a junior doctor. It gave me a breadth of experience that I would not otherwise have gotten.

The fundamentals I picked up during my time out in Dubbo are still what I rely upon on a day-to-day basis as a doctor. In particular, the staff at the School of Rural Health really invest in your time as a student as well as your growth as an individual and that makes all the difference – the SRH was able to get the best out of me. My appreciation for the job and its impact on the community was highlighted during my time in Dubbo, I loved every minute of it. It’s something I’ll always look back on with great fondness.”

#### Dr Chinthuran Thilagarajan

Completed the fourth year of his medical degree at the School of Rural Health in 2018.

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## Dubbo Hospital

The NSW Government is delivering a major \$241 million transformation of Dubbo Hospital to provide expanded and upgraded clinical services to the people of Western NSW. In 2015, the \$91.3 million redevelopment of Dubbo Hospital for Stages 1 and 2 was completed, providing a new clinical services' building featuring maternity, operating theatres and day surgery services. A new 34-bed surgical unit opened in 2018 and a three-storey hospital building with new main hospital entry is part of the development. The new clinical building includes an emergency department, medical imaging, ambulatory care services and critical care floor.

Development is also underway for the \$35 million Western Cancer Centre Dubbo, which will provide 16 chemotherapy chairs, a bunker for radiation treatment and a PET CT Scanner for cancer diagnostics.

Dubbo Hospital is a major rural referral hospital within the Western NSW Local Health District, which covers an area of 246,676 square kilometres and delivers health services to approximately 276,000 people. It is a rapidly growing hospital providing critical care, specialist medical inpatient and outpatient services, surgery, mental health and many specialised allied health and medical outreach services.

Many graduates of the School of Rural Health choose to apply for internships at Dubbo Hospital. In 2021, four of the commencing interns at Dubbo Hospital were students who had completed either the third or fourth year of their degree at the School of Rural Health.

## RFDS

Dubbo is home to the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) South Eastern Section base, which provides aeromedical services to Western NSW and beyond. The School of Rural Health in Dubbo has a long partnership with the RFDS to provide medical education and opportunities for students to accompany the clinical staff on retrieval operations. Students studying at the School of Rural Health get unique insight into the delivery of rural and remote healthcare and aeromedical services.

## GP practices and Specialist Clinics

The School of Rural Health has long and established relationships with GP practices and specialist medical clinics in Dubbo and throughout Western NSW. Students studying at the School of Rural Health will have the opportunity for placements in GP practices and other clinical services in Far Western NSW. School of Rural Health students have undertaken placements in towns throughout the region such as Lightning Ridge, Bourke, Brewarrina, Narromine and Parkes.

## Life in Dubbo

Dubbo lies in the heart of Central Western NSW and is situated on the beautiful Macquarie River on the ancestral lands of the Wiradjuri people. The city is home to nearly 40,000 people and is supported by quality infrastructure, diverse industry and significant growth opportunities. Dubbo provides a diverse selection of social, cultural and sporting opportunities. It is a modern city with fantastic amenities, thriving local dining culture and welcoming atmosphere. It is also part of the greater central western NSW landscape, with the chance to escape to nature on your doorstep. Studying at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo provides our medical students with the perfect opportunity to enjoy the benefits of regional lifestyle.

Some of the highlights of Dubbo include Taronga Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo Regional Theatre and the Western Plains Cultural Centre. Whether you are a medical student, specialist or academic, Central West NSW provides all the tools and networks you need to grow a fulfilling and successful career, all while enjoying the benefits of a beautiful regional lifestyle.



# APPLICATIONS - DUBBO STREAM



If you have an interest in rural medicine or practising in a regional location, you may like to consider applying for a place in the Dubbo Stream of the Doctor of Medicine (MD) program at the School of Rural Health in Dubbo. Applicants for the Dubbo Stream also need to complete and upload a Personal Statement with their application.

## Places

The School of Rural Health Dubbo MD program will be accepting 24 students in the first-year cohort. Please note the Dubbo Stream is only available to students eligible for a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP). We cannot accept applications from international students or any non-CSP students.

## Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission to the Doctor of Medicine (Dubbo Stream), applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Satisfactory performance\* in an eligible bachelor's degree at the time of application, as indicated by Grade Point Average (GPA); and
2. Satisfactory performance\* in an admissions test – Domestic applicants must submit valid Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) results with their application; and
3. Provision of a personal statement demonstrating a genuine interest, intention, and aptitude for practising medicine in rural and regional areas.

The University reserves the right to ask some applicants to participate in further assessment using another selection tool. The University will give these candidates notice of any additional requirements.

\*Satisfactory performance is defined in the relevant Admissions Guide.

Please refer to the *Domestic Admissions Guide and Timeline for the application process* on MD website for full details on admissions criteria and applications, including the Personal Statement.

## Admission pathways

- Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme (for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a bachelor's degree and GAMSAT results)
- Indigenous Entry Pathway (for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a postgraduate degree but no bachelor's degree or GAMSAT results)
- Rural Facilitated Entry Pathway (for Australian applicants of rural origin)

Please visit the MD [website](#) and read the Domestic Admissions Guide for more information.

### Disclaimer

Please note Sydney Medical School regularly reviews the admission criteria and application processes for its courses including the Doctor of Medicine. It reserves the right to change these criteria and processes without notice. Information in this guide provides general advice about the currently applicable criteria and processes and may not be correct for future application periods. Applicants are advised to consult the University of Sydney website on a regular basis for any changes to entry criteria or program updates.

# WHY CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY?

When you start at the University of Sydney, you'll have plenty of help. Here are just a few of the ways we support your health, wellbeing and academic achievement.



## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support

- Academic enrichment and orientation program
- Rent subsidy
- Peer mentor support
- Tutorial assistance
- Cultural support and safe spaces.



## Academic enrichment

- Bridging courses
- Online learning resources
- Academic workshops
- Mathematics learning support
- One-to-one consultations.



## Language and learning support

- English language programs
- One-to-one coaching
- Online learning resources
- Intensive preparation programs.



## Accommodation

- On-campus student housing
- Residential colleges
- Off-campus living
- Supportive communities.



## Career support

- Career advice and development
- Employability skills workshops
- Meet employers at careers fairs and events, and through the Sydney CareerHub - an online jobs database.



## Disability services

- Assistive technology
- Lecture support
- Building access and accessible facilities
- Academic adjustments
- Alternative formatting.



## Financial support

- Bursaries and interest-free loans
- Help with essential living costs and study-related expenses.



## Health and wellbeing

- Doctors
- Pharmacists
- Dentists
- Optometrists
- Physiotherapists
- Psychologists
- Childcare information.



## Mental health

- Clinical psychologists and counsellors
- Mental health support
- Workshops for success
- Resilience training.



## Multifaith chaplaincy

- Chaplains from 12 faith groups for on-campus consultations
- Dedicated prayer rooms.



## Orientation and arrival sessions

- Welcome to university
- Settling into Sydney
- Information on support services
- Meet fellow students and staff
- Adjusting to student life.

For more information and to access our student support services, visit [sydney.edu.au/student-life](https://sydney.edu.au/student-life)

# YOUR STUDY OPTIONS

We're consistently ranked in the top 50 universities in the world, and are known internationally as leaders in education, research, student experience and graduate employability.

## What are my study options?

Choose from many flexible courses and degree structures at the University of Sydney. Whether you're starting out or pursuing a passion, explore our undergraduate, postgraduate and research degrees.

## What is an undergraduate course?

An undergraduate degree, or bachelor degree, is the first degree you obtain at university. If you have just completed high school, or have never graduated from university before, then an undergraduate course is for you.

## What is a postgraduate course?

Postgraduate coursework degrees are taught similarly to undergraduate courses, but with the additional scope to develop a higher level of expertise. Our postgraduate courses are open to all graduates with a bachelor's degree or, in some cases, equivalent work experience

## What is a research course?

A research degree is an advanced study program that gives you an opportunity to deeply explore a topic of your choice. A research degree allows you to conduct your own research while working with a trained researcher at the University.

## What subjects can I study?

We offer a large and diverse range of courses across several disciplines, giving you a variety of ways to pursue a passion or make a career-change. Whether you want to be a teacher, journalist, artist, pharmacist, scientist, lawyer, politician, architect or CEO - the University of Sydney has a course to help you pursue your career ambitions.

## Our study areas

- Architecture, design and planning
- Arts and social sciences
- Business
- Education and social work
- Engineering and computer science
- Medicine and health
- Science

Learn more about all of your study options at the University of Sydney on our website:

- [sydney.edu.au/study](https://sydney.edu.au/study)



# FURTHER INFORMATION

## About the University of Sydney Doctor of Medicine

- [sydney.edu.au/medicine/md](http://sydney.edu.au/medicine/md)

## Studying the Doctor of Medicine in Dubbo

- [sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/dubbo](http://sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/dubbo)

## About the School of Rural Health

- [sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/schools/clinical-schools/rural-health-dubbo-orange](http://sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/schools/clinical-schools/rural-health-dubbo-orange)

## Doctor of Medicine Admissions Enquiries

- [fmh.admissions@sydney.edu.au](mailto:fmh.admissions@sydney.edu.au)

## Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT)

- [gamsat.acer.org](http://gamsat.acer.org)

## Dubbo Hospital

- [dubbohospitalredevelopment.health.nsw.gov.au](http://dubbohospitalredevelopment.health.nsw.gov.au)
- [dubbohospitalcareers.com.au](http://dubbohospitalcareers.com.au)

## About Dubbo

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