

Doctor of Medicine

Domestic Admissions Guide 2026

For domestic applicants only



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1. Introduction

Welcome to the *Domestic Admissions Guide 2026* for domestic applicants to the Doctor of Medicine (MD) (CRICOS code: 079216J) at the University of Sydney.

Applying for medicine is a complicated process, and the aim of this Guide is to answer the most common questions about admissions criteria and how to apply.

It will help you to determine whether you have met the criteria to submit an application for admission to the MD. It also provides a step-by-step guide to completing the application form, submitting documents and meeting the timelines.

If, after reading this information, you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via the Contact Us page at the end of this Guide.

Thank you for considering the MD at the University of Sydney and best wishes for your application.

GAMSAT eligibility period

Please note that, despite any contrary advice from ACER or GAMSAT, to be eligible for admission to the MD at the University of Sydney commencing in 2026, applicants must have GAMSAT test results obtained in the past two years. This requirement may change for future intakes.

Dubbo Stream for MD applicants

The Dubbo stream in the MD has been developed under the Australian Government Murray-Darling Medical Schools Network (MDMSN) initiative, with the aim of attracting more practitioners to rural and/or remote medical practice. The Dubbo stream is taught in new state-of-the-art facilities at our School of Rural Health site in Dubbo, NSW, with clinical teaching centred at the newly redeveloped Dubbo Hospital.

Assumed knowledge for MD applicants

Our MD curriculum includes significant time in clinical settings and in preparation for practice. Biomedical science teaching and learning in Year 1 is therefore at a higher level than previous programs.

The assumed knowledge on entry to the MD program is in anatomy, physiology and molecular/cellular biology. Students entering the MD will have access to an online Foundation Knowledge Course, delivered by Sydney Medical School, which covers the assumed knowledge. Access to the course is provided once students have enrolled in the MD program. Students are required to complete the online Foundation Knowledge Course and a subsequent integrated self-assessment. Further information will be provided in offer letters.

Sydney Medical School values highly the diversity of the medical student community and encourages applications from students from diverse backgrounds and with a wide variety of undergraduate degrees. A Biomedical Science undergraduate degree is not a requirement for

entry to the MD, and all MD students are required to complete the Foundation Knowledge Course regardless of their prior degree.

Important note

The University regularly reviews the admission criteria and application processes for its courses. It reserves the right to change these criteria and processes without notice. Statements in this Guide provide general advice about the currently applicable criteria and processes and will not be correct for future application periods. Applicants are advised to consult the course website for the most recent information:

https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine0.html

Applicants are reminded that study in the MD requires full-time, in-person attendance on campus. Remote study is not available for the program.



Please read and follow the instructions in this Guide carefully. All prospective students of medicine are expected to be able to follow instructions.

If you miss a step in the application process or fail to complete a step correctly, your application might not be eligible for consideration.

2. Admission criteria

2.1 Overview

For 2026 entry, domestic applicants must fulfil *two* main requirements to be eligible for admission:

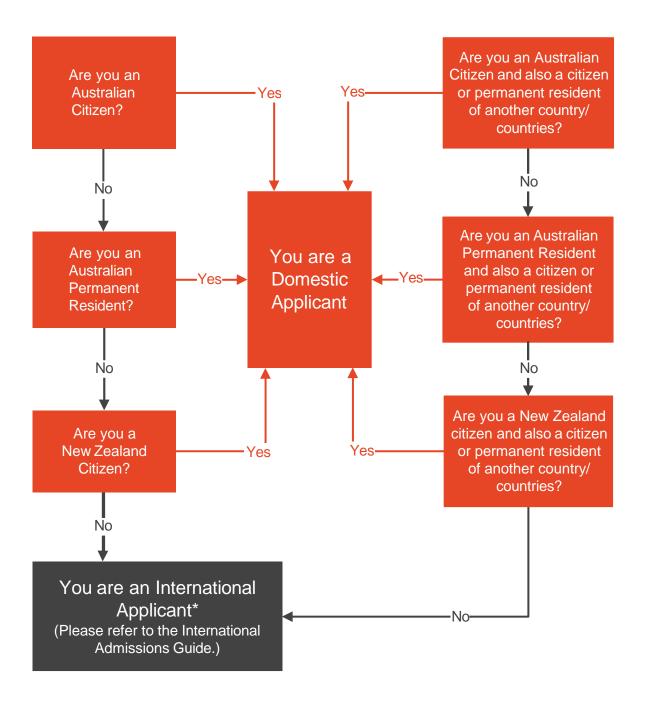
- Satisfactory performance in an eligible bachelor's degree (indicated by GPA)
- Applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, a bachelor's degree and have at least a credit average at the time of application, as indicated by Grade Point Average (GPA)*
- Domestic applicants must have their bachelor's degree assessed, and GPA calculated, by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) through its Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS) within the designated period (see the Admissions <u>Timeline</u>)
- Satisfactory performance in an admissions test (GAMSAT)
- Applicants must submit results from one or more of the following <u>Graduate Australian Medical School</u>
 Admissions Test (GAMSAT) tests with their application:
 September 2023, March 2024, September 2024 or March 2025.
- Standard applicants must have achieved a minimum of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT.*

Domestic applicants must also fulfil the following additional requirements, if applicable, to be eligible for admission:

- A. English language requirement
- All applicants must meet this requirement at the time of application.
- B. Personal Statement
 demonstrating a genuine
 interest, intention and
 aptitude for practising
 medicine in rural and
 regional areas (MD Dubbo
 stream only)
- Applicants for the Dubbo stream must also complete a
 <u>Personal Statement</u> in the template form provided by
 the University of Sydney in order for their application for
 admission to the Dubbo stream to be considered.

^{*}Note: Facilitated entry schemes are available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants and Australian rural origin applicants. Please refer to Part 3 of this Guide for further information.

2.2 Are you a domestic applicant?

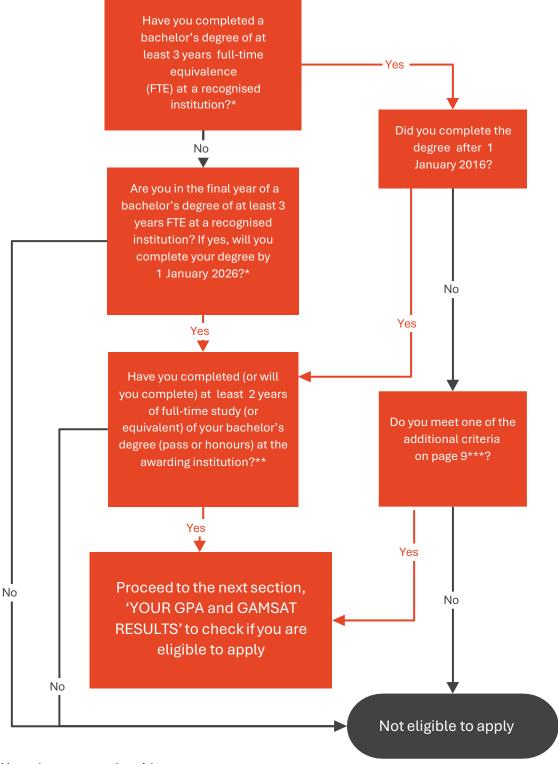


^{*}Note: For information for applicants changing from international to domestic status, please refer to clause 49 of the University's Courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine0.html.

https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine0.html.

2.3 Your bachelor's degree

NOTE: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a postgraduate degree should refer to Part 3 of this Guide.



*Your degree must be either a:

a. bachelor's degree (pass) accredited at Level 7 under the <u>Australian Qualifications</u>
<u>Framework</u> or a bachelor's degree (with honours) accredited at Level 8 under the

<u>Australian Qualifications Framework</u>, from <u>an Australian university or self-accrediting</u> <u>higher education institution</u>; or

b. bachelor's degree from an overseas university recognised by Australia's National Information Centre for qualifications recognition in the Department of Education, Skills and Employment, provided that the degree is equivalent to an Australian bachelor's degree (pass or with honours).

Your bachelor's degree must be of at least 3 years full-time equivalence (FTE).

You must complete your bachelor's degree by 1 January of the year in which you intend to commence the MD. (Note: This policy also applies to applicants who are enrolled in an accelerated program.) Therefore, if you wish to apply in 2025 for 2026 entry, you cannot undertake an exchange or study abroad program in the second half of 2025, or enrol in summer school/intensive units in 2025-26. If you wish to do so, you will need to consider applying for a future intake.

** You must complete at least 2 years of full-time study (or equivalent) of your bachelor's degree (pass or honours) at the awarding institution. For example, for a degree that requires 144 credit points to be completed in 3 years, 96 credit points must be completed at the awarding institution. Note: This requirement will be waived for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

*** If your bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which you are seeking enrolment, you must, in addition:

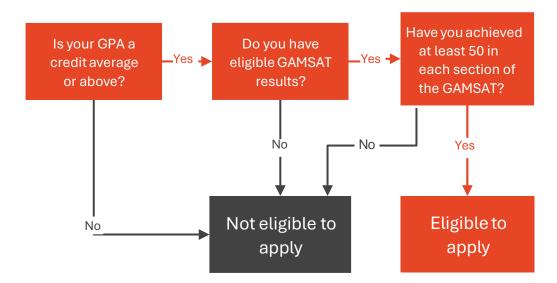
- 1. have completed within this 10-year period, a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma (or equivalent) of at least one year FTE; or
- 2. complete prior to 1 January of the year in which you intend to enrol in the MD, a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma (or equivalent) of at least one year FTE; or
- 3. have been awarded within this 10-year period, a postgraduate research degree (or equivalent); or
- 4. be awarded prior to 1 January of the year in which you intend to commence the MD, a postgraduate research degree (or equivalent); or
- 5. have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a medicine and health relevant discipline within this 10-year period; or
- 6. for applicants to the Dubbo Stream only have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the University a sustained and/or significant contribution to rural or remote health care, or to a regional health service, or to a rural or remote health care service.

For the purposes of paragraphs 1 to 4 above, a postgraduate diploma or degree (or equivalent) means:

- a) a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma accredited at Level 8, 9, or 10 under the <u>Australian Qualifications Framework</u>, from <u>an Australian university or self-accrediting</u> <u>higher education institution</u>; or
- b) an overseas university recognised by Australia's National Information Centre for qualifications recognition in the Department of Education, Skills and Employment, provided that the postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma is equivalent to an Australian postgraduate degree or diploma accredited at Level 8, 9, or 10.

You must complete at least one year of full-time study (or equivalent) of your postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma at the awarding institution. Note: This requirement will be waived for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

2.4 Your GPA and GAMSAT results



Note: The flowchart above is for standard applicants. You may still be eligible to apply if you meet the requirements under one of our facilitated entry schemes. Please see <u>Part 3</u> of this Guide for details.

2.4.1 The GPA entry requirement

To be considered for admission in 2026:

- standard applicants must have a minimum GPA of 5 (7-point numeric scale) as of Thursday
 June 2025 (Sydney, Australia time), as calculated by the Universities Admissions Centre
 (UAC) within the designated period (see the Admissions Timeline);
- rural applicants must have a minimum GPA of 4.5 (7-point numeric scale) as of Thursday 5
 June 2025 (Sydney, Australia time), as calculated by UAC within the designated period (see the Admissions <u>Timeline</u>).

Applicants applying under the Indigenous facilitated entry schemes should refer to <u>Part 3.1</u> of this Guide for further information.

2.4.2 The GPA calculation

Please visit UAC's website at https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/admission-criteria/tertiary-qualifications for calculation guidelines and see supplementary GPA information below.

Bachelor's degree Honours years

Research Honours years are included in the GPA calculation for applicants who have undertaken an additional honours year either at the institution at which their bachelor's degree was awarded or at another recognised institution.

For the purposes of the GPA calculation, grades given to honours years that are otherwise ungraded are as follows:

Award	Grade
First Class (1)	7
Second Class, First Division (2.1)	6
Second Class, Second Division (2.2)	5
Third Class (3)	4

It is important to note that any grades for units of study completed in an honours year will *not* be overwritten with a higher grade based on the honours level achieved. This will occur only for those components, if any, which are reported as ungraded. See **Examples** (pdf, 174KB) for clarification.

Note: The GPA for applicants whose bachelor's degree was awarded with integrated Honours will be calculated on the basis of the applicant's academic results in the bachelor's degree, not by reference to the table above. See **Examples** (pdf, 174KB) for clarification.

Combined degree programs

For applicants who have undertaken a combined degree program, all units of study undertaken in that program will be used in the calculation of a GPA regardless of whether or not one component of the degree has been abandoned, completed or conferred/awarded.

A single degree completed as part of a combined degree will not be considered separately for the calculation of the GPA under any circumstances.

For example, in the event that your GPA does not meet the minimum requirement when taking into consideration all subjects completed for your combined degree, it is NOT possible to group subjects according to the degree with which they were associated in order to achieve a higher GPA.

Please contact UAC directly if you have any questions regarding the GPA calculation.

2.4.3 Admissions test results (GAMSAT)

Applicants (except Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants) must have achieved a minimum score of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT to be eligible for admission.

The scores for each section of the GAMSAT will be used to rank applicants. Overall GAMSAT scores and average GAMSAT scores will not be used in the assessment and ranking of applications.

Eligible GAMSAT results: To apply in 2025 for admission to the MD commencing in 2026, you must have results from one or more of the following GAMSAT tests: September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, March 2025

Note: Threshold GAMSAT scores from previous years are irrelevant to the current admission cycle and will not be published or provided.

Applications, information and sample questions for GAMSAT are available on the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) website at https://gamsat.acer.org/.

2.4.4 Disability, illness and misadventure

The official results listed on an applicant's transcript, and their admission test results, will be taken as the awarding and testing authorities' assessment of the academic standards reached by the applicant, as reflected in their GPA and GAMSAT results, taking due account of disability, illness and misadventure according to the authorities' policies.

2.5 MD Dubbo Stream - Interview

MD applicants for the Dubbo stream may be required to attend an interview to assess their interest, intention and aptitude for practising medicine in rural and regional areas. Applicants (except Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a postgraduate degree) will be selected for interview based on their admissions test results and personal statement.

2.6 English language requirement

Applicants must meet the minimum English language requirements at the time of application.

Please visit the University's English language requirements <u>website</u> for information on how to demonstrate your proficiency in English.

2.7 Are you eligible for admission?

- 1. Applicants who have not completed or will not complete an eligible bachelor's degree by 1 January 2026 (regardless of whether they have completed/will complete a postgraduate coursework diploma or degree, or have been awarded/will be awarded a postgraduate research degree by 1 January 2026) are ineligible to apply. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a postgraduate degree should refer to Part 3 of this Guide for further information.
- 2. Applicants who have previously applied unsuccessfully for admission to the MD and have commenced studies in postgraduate medicine at another university are not eligible for admission to the MD.

For this purpose, applicants are considered to have commenced their studies on the date on which they first enrolled in the medical program.

- 3. Applicants for the MD who have previously accepted a conditional or unconditional offer of a place in the MD at the University of Sydney, and:
 - i. failed to submit any outstanding documentation to proceed with an unconditional offer or to enrol; or
 - ii. enrolled in and subsequently withdrew from or discontinued that program without prior approval from the relevant delegated officer;

are ineligible for admission to the MD for a period of two years from the date of application or enrolment, as relevant.

3. Facilitated entry schemes

- 3.1 FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS
 - 3.1.1 Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme for applicants with a bachelor's degree and GAMSAT results
 - 3.1.2 Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme for applicants with a postgraduate degree
- 3.2 FOR AUSTRALIAN RURAL ORIGIN APPLICANTS
 Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme

Confirmation of Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander status

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply to study medicine at the University of Sydney, and their applications are welcomed.

The University will accept one of the following forms of proof of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status as specified in the University's Confirmation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identity Policy 2015:

- a letter stamped with the common seal and signed by the chairperson of an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Land Council, in whose area the person lives or has previously lived; or
- a letter stamped with the common seal and signed by a delegate of an incorporated Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation, such as the Aboriginal Medical Service or Aboriginal Legal Service.

Where records are not available, a person's Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identity may be confirmed by a <u>statutory declaration</u>. This is a binding legal document demonstrating self-identification as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, declaring that they:

- 1. are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent;
- 2. identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander; and
- 3. are accepted as such by the community in which they live, or previously lived.

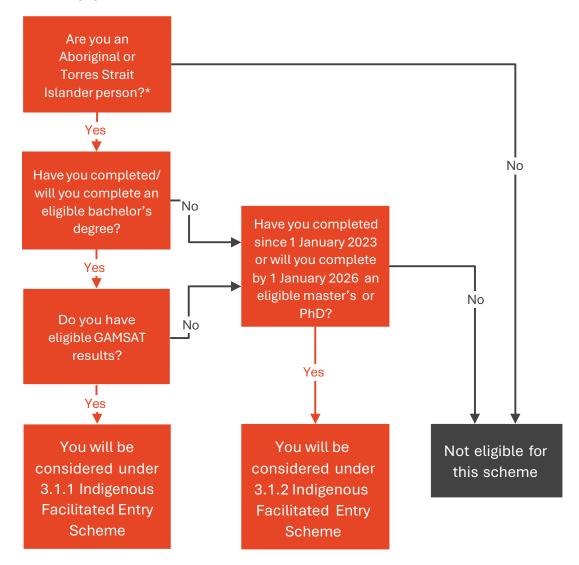
Note: Proof of receipt of Abstudy will not be accepted as confirmation.

If your application is audited, you will need to provide, within 7 days of our request, the original proof or a certified copy of the original proof to the University.

Applicants must upload the required documentation to the Sydney Student Portal at the time of application. If you do not provide the appropriate documentation, your application may be processed as a standard application and not via the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants for the MD are encouraged to contact the Head of Indigenous Health for more information and support. Please call +61 2 6624 0352 or email: med.iheu@sydney.edu.au.

3.1 For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants



^{*} Applicants must upload the required document to the Sydney Student Portal at the time of application.

3.1.1 Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme for applicants with a bachelor's degree and GAMSAT results

- a. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders as required by the <u>Confirmation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identity Policy</u> <u>2015</u>; and
- b. Applicants must have completed a bachelor's degree or be in the final year of a bachelor's degree to be considered. The "two-year" rule requiring applicants to have completed their bachelor's degree with at least two years FTE study at their awarding institution will be waived; and
- c. It is preferred that applicants have a GPA (as calculated by UAC) of at least 4.5. However, the Indigenous Admissions Advisory Group (IAAG) may consider and recommend the

- admission of applicants with a lower GPA who can demonstrate improvement over the duration of their tertiary studies, particularly if their final year of most recent tertiary study demonstrates high level skills; and
- d. Applicants must submit <u>eligible GAMSAT</u> results with their application. It is preferred that applicants have achieved a minimum score of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT, and in particular that they have passed the GAMSAT III (Reasoning in Biological and Physical Sciences) paper. However, the IAAG may consider and recommend the admission of applicants with lower GAMSAT results; and
- e. Eligible applicants may be required to attend an interview as part of the admission process.

3.1.2 Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme for applicants with a postgraduate degree

- a. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders as required by the <u>Confirmation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identity Policy</u> 2015.
- b. Applicants must have completed a postgraduate degree within three years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant is seeking admission, which is either:
 - i. a postgraduate degree accredited at level 9, or 10 (a master's or PhD) under the <u>Australian Qualifications Framework</u>, from <u>an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution</u>; or
 - ii. a postgraduate degree at an overseas university recognised by Australia's National Information Centre for qualifications recognition in the Department of Education, Skills and Employment, provided that the postgraduate degree is equivalent to an Australian postgraduate degree accredited at Level 9, or 10.

This pathway does not require applicants to have a bachelor's degree accredited at Level 7 under the Australian Qualifications Framework, or a GAMSAT result.

- c. Applicants are required to have their qualifications assessed, and the Grade Point Average (GPA) for their tertiary studies calculated, by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) through its Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS), and to have achieved at least a GPA of 4.5 (7-point numeric scale). However, the Indigenous Admissions Advisory Group (IAAG) may consider and recommend the admission of applicants with a lower mark who can demonstrate improvement over the duration of their tertiary studies, particularly if their final year of most recent tertiary study demonstrates high-level skills.
- d. Applications will be assessed on an individual basis. An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant who is considered to have met the eligibility criteria:
 - i. will be asked to submit their resumé, including an outline of their education and work experience; and
 - ii. may be required to attend an interview as part of the admission process.

3.2 For Australian rural origin applicants

Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme

Eligibility for the rural pathway

A facilitated entry scheme is available for domestic applicants who can certify that they are of Australian rural origin. This is assessed as part of your application, and no pre-assessment can be conducted.

The <u>Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) Edition 3</u> Remoteness Structure defines 5 classes of relative geographic remoteness across Australia. These 5 classes are:

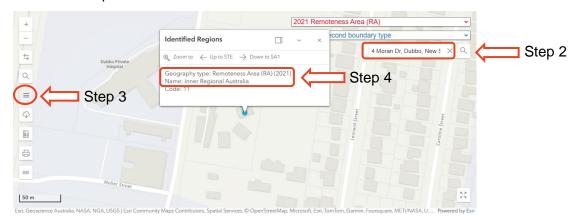
- Major Cities of Australia
- Inner Regional Australia
- Outer Regional Australia
- Remote Australia
- Very Remote Australia

You are eligible to apply for admission under the Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme if you have lived for at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively, *from birth*, in an ASGS - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area. Please use the <u>ABS Maps</u> for "2021 Remoteness Areas" to determine if you are of rural origin.

Step 1: Under 'Choose a boundary type', choose '2021 Remoteness Area (RA)'.



- Step 2: Enter your address in the "Find address or place" field and search.
- Step 3: Select 'Identify regions and ASGS classifications' icon = on the left of the map and click twice.
- Step 4: The 2021 Remoteness Area and classification will appear underneath the map, or in a box on the map.



ASGS Classification

Latitude: -32.2373	Longitude: 148.6223	Longitude: 148.6223	
Geography Type	ASGS Name	ASGS Code	
2021 State/Territory (S/T)	New South Wales	1	
2021 Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA)	Rest of NSW	1RNSW	
2021 Statistical Area Level 4 (SA4)	Far West and Orana	105	
2021 Statistical Area Level 3 (SA3)	Dubbo	10503	
2021 Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2)	Dubbo - East	105031100	
2021 Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1)		10503110028	
2021 Mesh Block (MB)		10243300000	
2021 Indigenous Region (IREG)	Dubbo	101	
2021 Indigenous Area (IARE)	Dubbo	101002	
2021 Indigenous Location (ILOC)	Dubbo - North	10100202	
2021 Section of State (SOS)	Other Urban	11	
2021 Section of State Ranges (SOSR)	20,000 to 49,999	112	
2021 Significant Urban Area (SUA)	Dubbo	1012	
2021 Urban Centres and Localities (UC/L)	Dubbo	112006	
2021 Remoteness Area (RA)	Inner Regional Australia	Step 4	

Confirmation of Rural Origin

If you are a domestic applicant of Australian rural origin and would like to be considered for the Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme, you must provide <u>Confirmation of Rural Origin</u> in the template form (docx, 51KB) completed by:

- a currently-registered medical practitioner, dentist, pharmacist or lawyer;
- a school principal; or
- a current or former employer

confirming that you have lived in the rural area for at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively.

If the form is completed by an employer, you must also provide a covering letter from your employer's HR department or a senior manager confirming that the information provided on the Confirmation of Rural Origin form is correct. The letter must be on letterhead showing the Australian Business Name (ABN). Confirmation of rural origin from family members will not be accepted. The University may accept a form completed by other members of the rural community on a case-by-case basis, provided that the community member is not related to the applicant. Applicants will be given an opportunity to re-submit supporting documentation if they fail to meet the requirements.

The form must meet the following requirements:

- It must include your FULL rural address, the duration that you resided at that rural address (e.g. from dd/mm/yy to dd/mm/yy), and the position and current contact details of the author.
- The author must be contactable to verify the details contained in the form.
- The author must state their relationship to you.

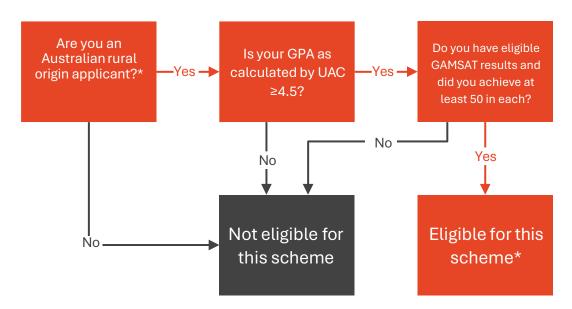
- If your residency was for at least 10 years cumulatively, then the form must support 10 full years and cover each time period that you resided at each rural address (e.g. from dd/mm/yy to dd/mm/yy).
- You must upload the form as a supporting document to the portal at the time of application, otherwise your application will be processed as a standard application and not via the Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme.
- Confirmation of rural origin forms from any previous application for admission to the MD will not be accepted. Your form must be completed and signed in 2025 for 2026 entry.
- The author must have direct and personal knowledge of the applicant's residence in the rural location(s) that are listed, based on lived experience or independent authenticated records.

The University will audit rural applicants. As part of the audit, the author of your confirmation of rural origin form will be contacted to verify the contents of the form. Applicants should explain their rural application and the audit process to the author to ensure they are sufficiently prepared. This will also help avoid unnecessary delays in the rural application process. You will need to provide the original form to the University on request.

Note:

- Time in the future cannot be claimed as part of the 5 or 10 years.
- Statutory declarations will not be accepted.
- If you fail to provide documents by the due date, or if you provide fraudulent documents or misrepresent your true circumstances, the University may withdraw your offer of admission, or cancel your enrolment at any time.
- A person who intentionally submits fraudulent documentation is guilty of an offence and may be referred to the relevant legal authorities.

Admission Criteria



* Applicants must upload the required document to the Sydney Student Portal at the time of application.

Rural applicants must have a minimum GPA of 4.5 as of Thursday 5 June 2025 (Sydney, Australia time), as calculated by UAC within the designated period.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: My address was in ASGS-RA 2 in the ASGS Remoteness Area 2016 classification, however it is now in ASGS - Major Cities of Australia in the ASGS (Edition 3) Remoteness Area 2021 classification. Can I be considered as a rural applicant?

A: Please contact the Faculty Admissions Office fmh.admissions@sydney.edu.au before 1 June 2025 if you feel that you have been adversely affected by the March 2023 change in remoteness area classifications.

Q: If I have lived for almost 5 years in a rural area (eg, 4 years and 11 months), am I an applicant of rural origin?

A: No, you must have lived in an ASGS - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area for at least 5 years consecutively or at least 10 years cumulatively to be classified as being of rural origin.

Q: Am I an applicant of rural origin if my address is 20m from an Inner Regional Australia area? A: No, you must live within an ASGS - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area for you to be classified as being of rural origin.

Q: Half of my street is counted as rural and the other half is not. If I live on the part of the street that is outside the ASGS - Inner Regional Australia area, can I be considered as a rural applicant?

A: No, you must live within an ASGS - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area to be classified as being of rural origin.

Q: Can time spent living in an ASGS - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area for shorter periods be added together to make up the 5 years?

A: No. 'Rural origin' is defined as residency for at least 5 years <u>consecutively</u> or at least 10 years <u>cumulatively</u>. Shorter periods of time may be added together but must make up 10 years cumulatively in an ASGS - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area.

Q: Does time spent in a boarding school in a major city count if my home address is in an ASGC - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area? eg, Am I defined as a rural applicant if I went to primary school in a rural area, and then to boarding school in Sydney?

A: Time spent in a boarding school in a major city does not count towards the requirement. However, the time you spend at your home address in a rural area during school holidays does count towards the 10-year requirement.

If you went to primary school in a rural area and spent your secondary school holidays at your home address in a rural area, you will be defined as a rural applicant only if the total amount of time you spent living in a rural area amounts to 5 years or more consecutively or 10 years or more cumulatively.

Q: Does time residing at a university residential college count if I return home to a rural area during semester breaks?

A: Time spent residing at a residential college will count towards the 10-year requirement only if the University is located in an ASGC - Inner Regional Australia, Outer Regional Australia, Remote Australia or Very Remote Australia area.

You will be defined as a rural applicant only if the total amount of time you spent living at your home address in a rural area amounts to 5 years or more consecutively or 10 years or more cumulatively.

4. Offers

4.1 How offers are made

Offers of places are made on the basis of merit, as indicated by applicants' final rankings.

Applicants will be ranked on the basis of admissions test results. Different ranked lists of applicants will be generated for each pathway into the MD; for example, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants (unless admissions test results are not required); Metropolitan (Sydney) Commonwealth Supported Places; Metropolitan (Sydney) Bonded Medical Places; Dubbo Commonwealth Supported Places; Rural applicants.

Offers for the Metropolitan (Sydney) stream will be made in sequence commencing with the applicant with the highest ranked score. Should it arise that applicants are ranked equally, the University reserves the right to use an additional selection tool, such as an interview or Situational Judgement Test (SJT). The University will give these applicants due notice of any additional requirements. If further separation is required, the applicants' GPA at the time of application may be used, at the discretion of the University.

Our selection process for the Dubbo stream aims to identify and target applicants whose interest, intention and aptitude for practising medicine in rural and regional areas once qualified is genuine. Offers for the Dubbo stream will be made in sequence commencing with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants and Australian rural applicants with the highest ranked scores, after reviewing personal statements and confirming satisfactory performance in the interview.

Applicants most highly ranked will be offered places first, according to their preferences (selected at the time of <u>Online Confirmation Page</u> completion). If a particular type of place (not stream) is no longer available, applicants will be offered their next preferred available place.

Applicants who have made applications for both the Metropolitan (Sydney) and Dubbo streams are advised that only one offer into the MD program will be made. Applicants who are offered a place in either the Metropolitan (Sydney) or the Dubbo stream will not be considered for admission to the other stream. If you do not wish to be considered for a particular stream, do not select it.

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept the offer of a place. Offers not accepted in accordance with the instructions contained in the offer letter by that date will lapse.

Unconditional offers are only made to applicants who were already graduates at the time of application and who have provided all necessary documents to the University. Conditional offers are made to applicants who have not completed the final year of their bachelor's degree (or postgraduate studies) and/or who have not provided all necessary documents to the University. A conditional offer will be withdrawn and cancelled if the applicant fails to achieve the required GPA on completion of the degree, if the applicant fails to complete the degree by 1 January 2026, or if the applicant fails to provide all necessary documents by the deadline. Refer to the timeline and offer letters for details.

4.2 Places, fees and scholarships

Please refer to the following websites for information on the types of places offered in the MD, and information on fees and scholarships. Please note that the information is subject to change: https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine0.html.

Scholarships: https://sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/study-medicine-and-health/scholarships.html

Please note that an applicant who has commenced the MD in a bonded place at the University will not be eligible for admission or transfer to a non-bonded place in that program. For this purpose, students are considered to have commenced the course at the time of their first enrolment.

Transfer between the Metropolitan (Sydney) and Dubbo streams of the MD is not permitted.

4.3 Deferral and suspension

Please refer to the relevant websites for the deferral rules: https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine0.html.

Please refer to clause 71 of the **Coursework Policy 2021** for the suspension rules.

Applicants should be prepared and ready to commence studies in the year for which they have applied.

4.4 No exemptions or advanced standing

No applicant will be admitted to the MD with advanced standing or credit, and no exemptions from participating in part of the program will be offered.

4.5 Appeals

Applicants who believe that there has been a procedural or other non-academic error in the handling of their application for admission to the MD may appeal in writing, with supporting evidence, to the Admissions Advisory Group via the University Admissions Office (see the **Contact Us** page at the end of this Guide).

4.6 Impermissible conduct

The University reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject an application for admission or to vary or cancel an offer of admission if an applicant's conduct during the admissions process or prior to enrolment causes it to form the view that the applicant is unsuitable for admission to the MD.

Examples of conduct that might make an applicant unsuitable for admission to the MD include (but are not limited to):

- failure by the applicant to treat University of Sydney employees, students, applicants or other members of the University community with respect and courtesy, including failure to use appropriate language and tone in written or verbal communications;
- failure by the applicant to act honestly and ethically in their dealings with University of Sydney employees, students, applicants or other members of the University community;
- conduct that results in the applicant being excluded from another higher education institution, or from a course or program offered by another higher education institution;
- conduct that gives the University reasonable cause to believe that enrolling the applicant in clinical training may place them, their peers, or members of the public at risk of harm; and
- conduct that results in the applicant being charged with a criminal offence.

5. Post-offer requirements

Students who are offered and accept a place in the MD will be required to fulfil the following requirements prior to starting their course in January of the year of MD commencement and will receive further information after their offer has been accepted. Students will be required to provide evidence of all compliance documentation e.g. vaccinations, police record check, First Aid Certificate (in English).

5.1 NSW Ministry of Health compliance checking

The NSW Ministry of Health requires that all students undergo compliance checking before they are permitted to attend any clinical teaching and/or placements at NSW Health facilities.

This includes a number of health and character checks. Please refer to the following link to learn about the COMPULSORY NSW Ministry of Health compliance checks: https://www.sydney.edu.au/students/clinical-placement-checks.html.

5.2 NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC)

All MD students are required to provide a WWCC clearance after enrolment https://sydney.edu.au/students/working-with-children.html. To obtain a WWCC, students must complete the online NSW Working with Children Check application available from the NSW Government, Office of the Children's Guardian web site. Applications are usually completed within days but can take up to 28 working days to complete.

Please note that new students must complete a proof of identity in person in NSW. They cannot complete this transaction from interstate or overseas, they cannot complete it over the phone or online and they cannot delegate it to another person. They will be required to provide an address in Australia when completing an application.

5.3 First aid training

All MD students are required to present an original and current First Aid Training Certificate. (Students should ensure they have this evidence ready to submit by the start of their course.)

Which training course is acceptable? We recommend a First Aid course that demonstrates course outcomes that are equivalent to a 'HLTAID011. First aid training courses have theoretical as well as a practical component. As an example, the majority of first aid training courses are held over 2 days in the classroom or 1 day practical in the classroom with prior online learning.

Here is a list of the content to be covered in an acceptable first aid training course:

- Basic Life Support (DRSABCD)
- CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and AED (Automatic External defibrillator)
- Shock Management
- Airway Management Asthma, Choking, Severe Allergic Reaction, Hyperventilation
- Cardiac Emergencies

- Seizures and Convulsions
- Bleeding and Wound Care
- Burns and Scalds
- Extremes of Heat and Cold
- Musculoskeletal Injuries
- Poisons and Toxic Substances
- Envenomation
- Abdominal injuries

Note that current industry standards state that this qualification must be updated every 3 years with the CPR component being updated every 12 months.

Please ensure that your First Aid Completion certificate is in English.

The following organisations conduct recommended First Aid Training courses. However, new students must ensure that their chosen course covers the content listed above.

- Australian Red Cross Society (https://www.redcross.org.au/)
- Royal Life Saving Society Australia (https://www.royallifesaving.com.au/)
- St. John Ambulance Australia (https://www.stjohn.org.au/)
- Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (https://susf.com.au)
- Canadian Red Cross (Canada)
- St. John's Ambulance (Canada & USA)
- American Heart Association (USA)

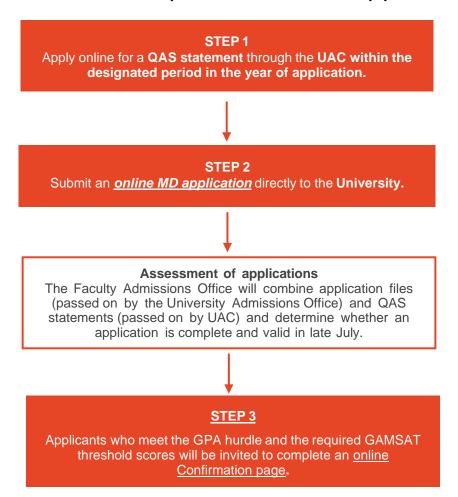
5.4 Inherent requirements and professionalism requirements

Please note that all MD students are also required to:

- meet the Inherent Requirements for Medicine https://sydney.edu.au/students/st
- comply with the <u>Faculty of Medicine and Health Professionalism Requirements</u>
 Provisions 2022.

6. The application process

6.1 Admissions steps for domestic applicants



Note:

- 1. Only online applications are accepted.
- 2. Applications received by the University after the deadline will not be considered.

6.2 Timeline for applications

Please refer to the timeline. Please be advised that dates are subject to change.

6.3 Assessment and calculation of Grade Point Average (GPA)

6.3.1 UAC's Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS)

All domestic applicants for admission to the MD are required to have their qualifications assessed, and the Grade Point Average (GPA) for their bachelor's degree(s)* calculated, by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) through its Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS) within the designated period in 2025 (see the Admissions timeline, and remember that dates are subject to change).

*Applicants applying under the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme for applicants with a postgraduate degree are required to have their postgraduate degree(s) assessed and GPA calculated by UAC.

A fee of \$150 (including GST) is payable to UAC when you apply for a QAS statement, and must be paid by credit card or PayPal.

NOTE: QAS statements are available all year round. However, for the purpose of admission to the MD, you MUST submit your QAS application within the designated period in 2025. Any qualification assessed by UAC outside the designated period will not be accepted by the University. A previous year's QAS statement is not valid for your application for admission in 2026.

Applicants who have more than one eligible bachelor's degree should submit both qualifications to UAC, and the degree that meets the GPA requirement or yields the higher GPA will be used as the basis for assessing eligibility for admission.

If your bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which you are seeking enrolment, and you have met or will meet the additional postgraduate study requirement specified in Part 2.3 of this Guide, admission is still based on the GPA calculated from your bachelor's degree results.

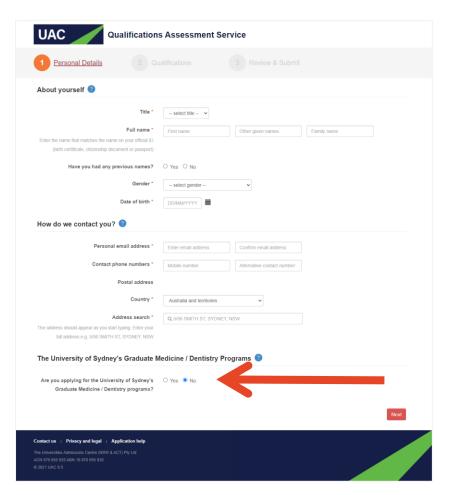
Applicants who are applying for both the Doctor of Medicine and the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) at the University need make only one application for a QAS statement.

6.3.2 How to submit your online QAS application

UAC's QAS application can be accessed via: https://qas.uac.edu.au/qas/.

When submitting your QAS online application, please take special note of the following:

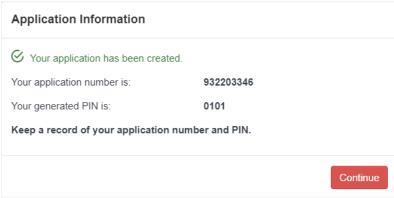
- 1. You will be required to complete and submit the "Personal details" page of the QAS online application. Please ensure the name you use in your QAS application is your full legal name identical to the one shown on your passport or your birth/citizenship certificate and that the name matches the name on your MD application to the University.
- 2. For the last question on the Personal Details page, "Are you applying for the University of Sydney's Graduate Medicine/Dentistry programs?", please be aware that the default option selected is "No", as shown below:



You must change the selection to "Yes" for this question, as shown below, so that your GPA is correctly assessed and retrieved for your MD application:

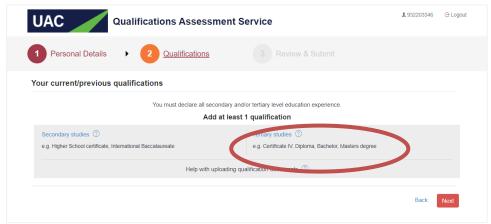


3. At the next page, you will be issued with your QAS number (a 9-digit number beginning with "932...") and PIN.

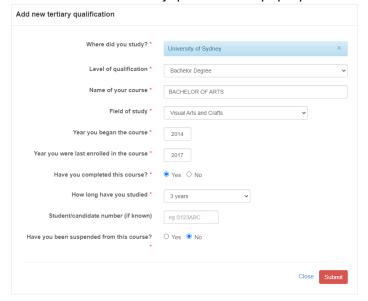


You must keep a record of your QAS number as you will be required to enter the correct QAS number on your online Sydney Student Portal application to the University of Sydney.

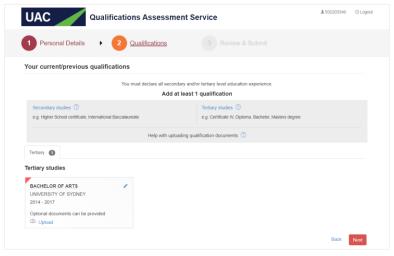
4. On the "Qualifications" page, select "Tertiary studies" to add a qualification, as shown below:



The "Add new tertiary qualification" pop-up window will then appear, as shown below:



5. Once you have entered the relevant details for that qualification and clicked "Submit", the following will be displayed. Review the data to ensure the information is correct.



If you have undertaken other tertiary studies (either incomplete or complete), select "Tertiary studies" again and repeat the process. This can be repeated as many times as necessary. When you have no further tertiary qualifications to add, click "Next" to move to the next section of the QAS application form.

Applicants are responsible for checking that their QAS application and QAS statement contain their previous and current tertiary studies.

6. To be considered for admission to the MD, UAC requires QAS applicants with overseas qualifications to have their official academic transcripts received by its office by the deadline (see the <u>timeline</u> and remember that dates are subject to change). Supporting documents can be uploaded in PDF format against each qualification as you apply or postapplication.

It is your responsibility to ensure that UAC receives your official transcripts. Note that UAC will not contact you for missing documents. You may contact UAC to confirm that its office has received your document(s) by the deadline.

You must quote the correct QAS number on your online Sydney Student Portal application to the University. The University will not be responsible for your failure to do so.

Selecting "Yes" to "Are you applying for the University of Sydney's Graduate Medicine/Dentistry programs?" on your QAS online application and putting your QAS number on the Sydney Student Portal application form, will allow UAC to forward your correct GPA(s) electronically to the University.

If the correct QAS number is not entered on your application form and/or if you do not confirm you are applying for the University of Sydney's Graduate Medicine/Dentistry programs and/or if any required documentation is not received by UAC by the deadline, your application for the MD may not be considered further.

If you have a disability and are having problems with UAC's QAS process, please contact its office directly for assistance with your application. You can either

- call UAC on 1300 275 822 (from mobiles on (02) 9752 0200 or from overseas on +61 2 9752 0200) between 8.30am and 4.30pm (Sydney, Australia time) Monday to Friday; or
- complete the UAC online enquiry form; or
- write to the Equity Unit, UAC, Locked Bag 112, Silverwater NSW 2128, Australia.

NOTE: The University only accepts and relies on GPAs calculated by UAC. The GPAs calculated by UAC are final.*

UAC calculates your GPA in accordance with the common assessment procedures agreed to by its participating institutions. The calculation is linear and cannot take individual factors, such as course difficulty or home-state grading issues (low/high marking systems), into consideration. Given there are many different ways in which a GPA can be calculated, please be aware that the GPA issued by UAC may differ from a GPA issued by another institution/organisation. Applicants are reminded that a degree completed with 3 years full-time equivalence will not always appear with 3 years FTE on the QAS statement.

* The University may combine the GPAs calculated by UAC for applicants who have been enrolled in more than one bachelor's degree at the same institution and:

- a. whose qualifying bachelor's degree for admission is less than 2 years (FTE); or
- b. who have received a credit transfer of 50% or more from a previous degree in their qualifying bachelor's degree.

The University will have regard to the relative credit point contributions of the applicant's enrolments to their GPA for each degree when calculating the combined GPA.

The University reserves the right to request UAC to reconsider or amend a GPA where the University believes that UAC has made an inadvertent error in calculation.

Please check your UAC QAS statement thoroughly, because if you are invited to complete an Online confirmation page, you will be asked to confirm your GPA, as calculated by UAC, which in turn will be used to determine your eligibility for the MD. If you believe an error has been made in your GPA assessment, please contact UAC directly and immediately.

6.4 How to use the online Sydney Student Portal application form

6.4.1 Before you begin

Please make sure that you have the required documents ready for uploading to the online Sydney Student Portal application system (refer to the **checklist**).

You will be required to upload scanned documents to complete your online application. These documents do not need to be certified. Please note the maximum file size is 10MB.

Note:

- The document upload functionality on the application form does not allow for multiple
 documents to be uploaded using the same upload button. In order to minimise uploads,
 you may combine your documents into a single file. The only exception is e-transcripts,
 which must be uploaded separately to avoid loss of the electronic certification feature.
- 2. Most MD applicants DO NOT need to upload any of the following documents:
 - evidence of membership of professional associations;
 - evidence of work experience or resumé;
 - information about academic awards or prizes;
 - reference letters and letters of recommendation.

There are two exceptions, as follows:

- Applicants whose bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which they are seeking enrolment and who need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University either sustained research productivity in a medicine and health relevant discipline within this 10-year period or for applicants to the Dubbo Stream only, have sustained and/or significant contribution to rural or remote health care, or to a regional, rural or remote health service; and
- Applicants whose registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR who have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in any profession in Australia or overseas.

6.4.2 Document submission guidelines

During the application process, you will be asked to attach supporting documents. These must be true and complete records. You can scan these documents and upload them online. If your official academic transcripts have an electronic certification feature, please ensure that you upload a copy of the online electronic secured document. If your university provides electronic academic documents (e.g., My eQuals, Parchment, MyCreds), only the online electronic version will be accepted.

You should be prepared to provide original documents or original certified copies of supporting documents upon request at any time. Failure to do so may result in your application being rejected.

Detailed checking of supporting documents is an inherent element of our admissions process and may involve asking for verification from the original issuing authority, relevant tertiary admissions centre, or other organisation.

Documents submitted in a language other than English must be accompanied by a complete English translation made by an accredited translator with a government body or the Registrar of the issuing institution.

6.4.3 The online application form

If you have not applied for a course at the University before, you will be required to create an account. As part of this process, you will receive several emails confirming your login details.

Please note that some emails/attachments may not be accepted or may be marked as junk or flagged as spam by some mail providers (e.g. Hotmail, Yahoo or Gmail) and that some emails may be sent to Outlook's 'Other' inbox if you have the most up to date version of Outlook. If you do not receive any confirmation emails from the University, please check your junk/spam email folder or your Outlook's 'Other' inbox. Applicants are advised not to provide an email address from one of these providers. If you provide your current university email address, please ensure that it will be active until February 2026.

All communication from the University will be via the Sydney Student Portal and/or via email. It is the responsibility of applicants to check their accounts and the University will not be held responsible for any unread email communication or for any resulting delays or disadvantage.

Should you need to change your email address at any stage throughout the admissions process, please contact the University Admissions Office via email (see <u>Contact Us</u> page at the end of this Guide).

NOTE: Most pages of the online form are generic to all University of Sydney applicants. There are several sections that do not apply to MD applicants.

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Applicants can submit only one (1) application for each Course for the same intake. Any subsequent application(s) for the same Course will not be accepted. If you identify any issues with an application after submission but prior to applications closing, DO NOT WITHDRAW YOUR APPLICATION and submit a new application for the same Course. Instead, outline the required amendments in a Word document and then upload this document to your submitted application using the 'UPLOAD DOCUMENT' function in the Sydney Student Portal.

Please contact the University Admissions Office (see <u>Contact Us</u> page at the end of this Guide) if you require any assistance with the application form. This may include:

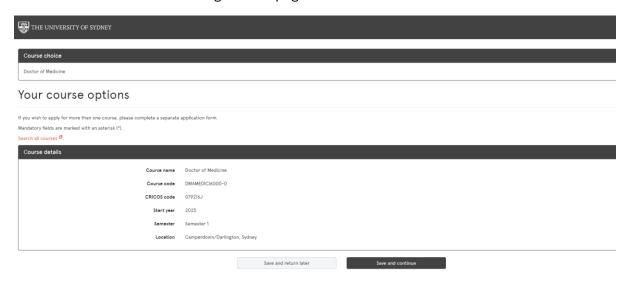
- Uploading documents
- Completing the online form
- Submitting the online form
- Making changes to an application after submission (but prior to the application closing date)

6.4.4 Pages in the online application form

Your course options

Applicants who are applying for both the DMD and MD must submit *two* separate applications, both with complete supporting documentation, by the deadline to ensure that both applications are assessed.

Applicants who are applying for the MD (Metropolitan (Sydney) and/or Dubbo) will see the following screen at this page. Note the location of "Camperdown/Darlington, Sydney" is a system default, but you will be provided with the opportunity to select the Metropolitan (Sydney) and/or Dubbo Stream on the last page of the online application form – please refer to the "Streams of the Medical Program" on page 36:



Your personal information

Given name(s) and Family name:

Please ensure the name you use in your application is your full legal name as shown on your passport and/or birth/citizenship certificate.

What is your citizenship/residency status?
 If you are a New Zealand citizen and also an Australian permanent resident, you must select 'Australian permanent resident' under this question and then select 'New Zealand' under

the question 'Country of citizenship/nationality'.

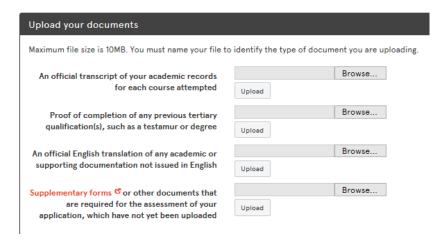
Please DO NOT simply select 'New Zealand' under the question 'What is your citizenship/residency status?', otherwise you will not be able to add 'Australian permanent resident'.

Scholarships

Where applicable, applicants may provide such information. Please note that this information does not play any role in the admissions process.

Your qualifications

- Is English your first language?
 - All applicants must meet the University's English language requirement at the time of application. If English is your first language, you need to have citizenship or permanent long-term residency (minimum 10 years) and have completed secondary or higher education studies in an English speaking country recognised by the University. If English is not your first language, you must upload proof of English language proficiency eg, official transcripts or IELTS/TOEFL results, at the time of application. Please visit the University's English language requirements website for information on how to demonstrate your proficiency in English.
- Have you ever been excluded or suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution?
 - Have you ever been asked to show good cause why your enrolment in any course should not be suspended/terminated?
 - Have you ever been asked to explain unsatisfactory progress in any course? If you answer 'Yes' to any of these three questions, you MUST upload documents outlining the circumstances.
- Qualification
 - Please provide details ONLY of the degrees you have completed or plan to complete before commencing the MD. Use the check box to 'Add another qualification' for each additional degree.
- Upload your documents
- Note that supplementary forms are not required for applications to the MD.



Academic prizes or awards

Details of academic prizes or awards may be required only for applicants whose bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which they are seeking enrolment and who need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a medicine and health relevant discipline within this 10-year period.

Further references

Professional associations

Details of professional associations are required only for applicants whose registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR who have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in any profession in Australia or overseas.

Relevant work experience

Details of relevant work experience are required only for applicants whose bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which they are seeking enrolment and who need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University either sustained research productivity in a medicine and health relevant discipline within this 10-year period or for applicants to the Dubbo Stream only, have sustained and/or significant contribution to rural or remote health care, or to a regional, rural or remote health service.

Supplementary questions

- Admissions Guide
 - I confirm that I have read and understood all the information outlined in the current Admissions Guide.
 - You must tick the box next to the question above in order to proceed with the application.
 - What is your QAS number?
 Domestic applicants must enter a correct QAS number: it must contain 9 digits, the first three digits of which are "932". Please ensure you enter the correct QAS number or your application for the MD may not be considered.

GAMSAT result details

All applicants (except Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a postgraduate degree) must submit <u>eligible GAMSAT</u> results (as listed below) with their application.

Eligible GAMSAT results: Despite any contrary advice from ACER or GAMSAT, to be eligible for admission to the MD at the University of Sydney commencing in 2026, applicants must have GAMSAT test results obtained in the past two years. Applicants must therefore submit results from one or more of the following GAMSAT tests: September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, March 2025.

If you sat the GAMSAT March 2025 test, enter your GAMSAT ID on the application form so that the Admissions Office can verify your results as soon as they are released.

Results from tests taken after the cut-off date will not be considered. Please DO NOT forward any late results to the University.

If you have results for more than one GAMSAT test listed above, ensure you provide all results on your application. The University will assess all <u>eligible GAMSAT</u> test results and select the GAMSAT results that provide the highest-ranking outcome for each application. Note that individual section scores from different tests cannot be mixed.

Please be reminded that neither overall GAMSAT scores nor average GAMSAT scores will be used in the assessment of applications for admission to the MD in 2026. The University does not disclose the ranking of applicants' GAMSAT scores.

From 2024, GAMSAT section numbers will be replaced by section names. GAMSAT Reasoning in Humanities and Social Sciences will replace GAMSAT Section 1, GAMSAT Written Communication will replace GAMSAT Section 2, and GAMSAT Reasoning in Biology and Physical Sciences will replace GAMSAT Section 3.

Since 1 March 2019, the University of Sydney has not accepted applications for US Federal Student Aid from students enrolled in the MD. Therefore, domestic applicants who are also a US citizen/national/permanent resident are not required to submit Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) results.

 Previous studies, deferred or suspended place in a medical program at any higher education institution

If you have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a medical program at any higher education institution, you MUST answer 'Yes' to the question below, provide further details and upload the required supporting documentation.

Have you commenced studies, or do you currently hold a deferred or suspended place in a medical program at any higher education institution? (mandatory question) Yes or No

Professional misconduct

If your registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR if you have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in, any profession in Australia or overseas, you must click 'Yes' to the question below, provide further details and upload supporting documentation:

Has your registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR have you been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in, any profession in Australia or overseas?

Australian rural origin applicants

The University is required to provide an annual report to the Australian Government detailing the number of students who are of 'rural origin'. The information you provide will be used by the University to comply with its reporting requirements.

In terms of its reporting requirements, the University will use only non-identifiable information, being the numbers of students who are of 'rural origin'.

If you are an Australian rural origin applicant, please answer 'Yes' to the question below, regardless of whether you are applying for the Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme:

Do you meet the Australian Government's definition of 'rural origin'? Yes or No

Admission pathways

Would you like to be considered for the Rural Origin Facilitated Entry Scheme? Yes or No

Facilitated entry scheme for rural origin applicants: If you would like to apply for admission under the Australian Rural Applicants Facilitated Entry Scheme, you MUST answer 'Yes' to the question above and upload the required supporting documentation.

Would you like to be considered for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Facilitated Entry Scheme? Yes or No

If you would like to be considered for the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme, you MUST answer 'Yes' to the question above and upload the required supporting documentation.

Please refer to Part 3 of this Guide for further details.

NOTE: If you fail to submit the required document/s, your application will be processed as a standard application, not via any facilitated entry scheme.

Streams of the Medical Program

At this section, applicants must select the stream/s (Metropolitan [Sydney] and/or Dubbo) for which they wish to be considered. If you do not wish to be considered for a particular stream, do not select it. Applicants who are offered a place in either the Metropolitan (Sydney) or the Dubbo stream will not be considered for admission to the other stream.

If you select the Dubbo stream, you must provide the required <u>supporting documentation</u> by the deadline, or your application for admission to the Dubbo stream will not be considered further.

Streams of the Medical Program	
	m is offered in two streams - Metropolitan stream and Dubbo stream. Applicants are advised that once you have been ransfer between streams (i.e. there are no transfers allowed between students in the MD program in Sydney and the MD.
I would accept an offer for (You can select one or both streams):	☐ Metropolitan stream
	□ Dubbo stream *
*Note: Applicants for Dubbo must submit a Per locations will be ranked above students from n	rsonal Statement. See the Admissions Guide & for further information. For Dubbo - Indigenous students and students from Rural/Regional

6.4.5 Declaration

You will be required to read the following declarations carefully and tick the box below them before submitting your application to confirm that you agree.



6.4.6 Submitting your application

Once you have completed the application form, you must ensure that you **submit your application.** Do not simply save and exit; this is not the same as submitting your application. Submitting the application includes agreeing to the terms and conditions and declaration. Your application cannot be considered if you do not complete this final step in the application process.

If you have successfully submitted your application, you will receive within 48 hours (excluding weekends), an automated confirmation email containing your 9-digit Student ID number (SID). (For new applicants, the SID will start with 5xxxxxxxxx. For previous applicants it will be the same SID as per your previous application(s)/enrolment(s).) You will then be able to login to your Sydney Student Portal with this Student ID number to view the status of your application. Please check your junk mail folder if you do not receive the email.

In the event that you need to make any changes to your application after submission but prior to the application closing date, DO NOT withdraw the application and attempt to submit a new application. It will not save. Please contact the University Admissions Office (see **Contact Us** page at the end of this Guide) and staff will assist you with your changes.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application as early as possible, so that they will have more time to correct any errors entered on the application form and/or to fix incorrect or incomplete document(s).

If you sat the GAMSAT March 2025 test, enter your correct GAMSAT ID on the application form so that the Admissions Office can verify your results as soon as results are released.

6.5 Completing an online confirmation page

Applicants who meet the minimum GPA and GAMSAT requirements determined by the University will be required to complete an online confirmation page.

NOTE: An invitation to complete the confirmation page does not indicate that an applicant will be made an offer.

All other applicants will be notified that their application has been unsuccessful at the same time.

Eligible applicants will be sent a request via email (NOT via the Sydney Student Portal) to complete the confirmation page. The email will include the deadline by which applicants must submit the confirmation page.

The confirmation page will require applicants to check and confirm the details they entered on their application, pertaining to the admission criteria set out in this Guide (e.g. GPA as calculated by UAC, GAMSAT etc.).

Applicants must check the confirmation page carefully. The information confirmed on the confirmation page will be considered as final, and applications will be processed on the basis of this information.

Applicants who find any incorrect information must submit an error report as instructed on the online confirmation page. This must be done prior to the deadline - no changes can be accepted after the deadline. After an error report is submitted, and if there is found to be an error, the error will be corrected, and the applicant will receive a further request and a new deadline (if required) to complete the online confirmation page.

Applicants who have applied for admission to both the MD and DMD will be required to complete only one confirmation page. The information confirmed on the confirmation page will be considered by both schools.

Applicants will also be required to select their offer preferences at this time. For the Dubbo stream, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants and Rural applicants will receive priority ranking. Please note that the GPA and GAMSAT admissions requirements for a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) in the Dubbo and Metropolitan (Sydney) streams are the same. Our selection process for the Dubbo stream aims to identify and target applicants whose interest, intention and aptitude for practising medicine in rural and regional areas once qualified is genuine. Information is available on the websites at

https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine0.html.

6.6 Applicants requiring further assessment

The following applicants who meet the minimum GPA and GAMSAT requirements may be required to attend an interview as part of the admission process:

1. Applicants who have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course, or asked to show good cause or explain unsatisfactory progress in a course

Applicants who have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution, or asked to show good cause or explain unsatisfactory progress in

a course, must indicate this on their application form and submit documentation detailing the circumstances.

The University will take into account relevant documentation when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the MD.

2. Applicants whose professional registration has been suspended, cancelled or made subject to conditions, or who have been disqualified from applying for professional registration

Applicants whose registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR who have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in any profession in Australia or overseas must indicate this on their application form and provide relevant documentation.

The University will take into account relevant documentation when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the MD.

3. Applicants who have commenced studies*, or hold a deferred or suspended place, in a medical program**

Applicants for the MD who have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a medical program at any higher education institution must:

- a. indicate this on their application form; and
- b. provide the reason(s) for discontinuation or deferral or suspension; and
- c. upload the relevant academic transcript or documentation.

Exceptions may apply- see the 'EXCEPTIONS' section below.

The University will take into account an applicant's previous record in a medical program and/or their reason(s) for discontinuation, deferral or suspension, when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the MD.

Applicants who have previously applied unsuccessfully for admission to the MD and have commenced studies in postgraduate medicine at another University are not eligible for admission.

- *For this purpose, applicants are considered to have commenced their course on the date on which they first enrolled in the medical program.
- ** A medical program is one that leads to a qualification that permits a student to seek registration as a medical practitioner.

Applicants who require an interview will be contacted via email with further details.

Exceptions

Applicants who are currently completing the final year of an undergraduate degree as part of a double degree medicine program should answer NO to the question on the application form: Have you commenced studies, or do you currently hold a deferred or suspended place in a medical program at any higher education institution? (mandatory question)

7. Application checklist – domestic applicants

Mandatory documents for all applications:	
Valid Identification and Citizenship/Reside	ncy Details (refer to below checklist points 1, 2 or
3 for required documents)	
Qualifications (refer to below checklist points	4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9)
Additional documents required for some applicants:	
Dubbo personal statement (refer to below ch	necklist point 10)
Facilitated entry schemes – rural and/or Ind	digenous (refer to below checklist points 11 and
12)	
Applicants requiring further assessment e.	g., exclusion, previous enrolment, etc (refer to
below checklist points 13, 14 and 15)	
English Language Proficiency (refer to below	checklist point 16)
Change of name (refer to below checklist poir	nt 17 and 18)
Translations for foreign-language documer	nts (refer to below checklist point 19)

ARE	YOU AN AUSTRALIAN CITIZEN?
If no	o, go to Step 2.
If ye	es, you must provide copies of either:
□ OR	your valid* Australian passport photo page
	your valid* photo identification (e.g. valid driver's licence or proof of age card) AND
	either your citizenship certificate, or evidence of Australian Citizenship: https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/citizenship/certificate
OR	
If yo	u were born in Australia on or after 20 August 1986:
	your valid* photo identification (e.g. valid driver's licence or proof of age card) AND
	your official Australian birth certificate (commemorative birth certificates are NO official documents) AND
	if your official birth certificate does not show that at least one parent was born in Australia before 20 August 1986, you must also provide either evidence that one parent was an Australian Citizen or a Permanent Resident at the time of your birt (e.g. your parent(s) Citizenship Certificate or Permanent Residency at the time of your birth);
OR	
If yo	u were born in Australia before 20 August 1986:
	your valid* photo identification (e.g. valid driver's licence or proof of age card) AND
	official Australian birth certificate (commemorative birth certificates are NOT official documents);

	*Note: An expired passport photo page or photo identification cannot be accepted alone or in conjunction with any other form of documentation.
2.	ARE YOU A NEW ZEALAND CITIZEN?
	If no, go to Step 3.
	If yes, you must provide either: □ your valid* New Zealand passport photo page OR □ your valid* photo identification (e.g. valid driver's licence or proof of age card) AND □ your New Zealand citizenship certificate
	*Note: An expired passport photo page or photo identification cannot be accepted alone or in conjunction with any other form of documentation.
3.	If no, and you are not an Australian Citizen or a New Zealand Citizen, you are ineligible to apply for admission as a domestic applicant. Please see the Admissions Guide for International Applicants. If yes, you must provide: your valid* passport photo page OR Your valid ImmiCard On receipt of your documents, the University's Admissions Office will verify your visa status with the Australian Department of Home Affairs, via the Visa Entitlement Verification Online system (VEVO) to confirm your Permanent Residency. Please note that your documents must be linked to your permanent residency visa. Go to Step 4. *Note: An expired passport photo page or photo identification cannot be accepted
	*Note: An expired passport photo page or photo identification cannot be accepted alone or in conjunction with any other form of documentation.
4.	DID YOU COMPLETE, OR WILL YOU COMPLETE YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE (PASS OR HONOURS) WITH AT LEAST 2 YEARS OF FULL-TIME STUDY (OR EQUIVALENT) AT THE AWARDING INSTITUTION*, WHICH IS A RECOGNISED INSTITUTION, BETWEEN 1 JANUARY 2016 AND 1 JANUARY 2026?
	If no, go to Step 5.
	If yes:

If you undertook your bachelor's degree at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents. ☐ If you did not undertake your bachelor's degree at the University of Sydney, you must provide either: a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts**; or ii. an electronic academic transcript issued by My eQuals, Parchment or MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities). *The "two-year" rule requiring students to have completed their bachelor's degree with at least two years of full-time study (or equivalent) at their awarding institution is waived for applicants applying through the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme. ** An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney does not accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript. Although your qualification/s will be assessed and GPA will be calculated by UAC, you are also required to submit your official transcript(s) to the University. Go to Step 8. 5. DID YOU COMPLETE YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE (PASS OR HONOURS) WITH AT LEAST 2 YEARS OF FULL-TIME STUDY (OR EQUIVALENT) AT THE AWARDING INSTITUTION*, WHICH IS A RECOGNISED INSTITUTION, PRIOR **TO 1 JANUARY 2016?** If yes: have you completed or will you complete a postgraduate diploma or master's by coursework of at least one year FTE; or were you awarded or will you be awarded a master's degree by research or PhD from a recognised institution; between 1 January 2016 and 1 January 2026? If no, go to Step 6. If yes: ☐ If you undertook your bachelor's degree and/or postgraduate diploma or degree at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents. ☐ If you did not undertake your bachelor's degree and/or postgraduate diploma or degree at the University of Sydney, you must provide either: a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts**; or

ii. electronic academic transcripts issued by My eQuals, Parchment or MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities).

*The "two-year" rule requiring students to have completed their bachelor's degree with at least two years of full-time study (or equivalent) at their awarding institution is waived for applicants applying through the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme.

An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney **does not accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.

Although your qualification/s will be assessed and GPA will be calculated by UAC, you are also required to submit your official transcript(s) to the University.

Go to Step 8.

6. DID YOU COMPLETE YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE (PASS OR HONOURS) WITH AT LEAST 2 YEARS OF FULL-TIME STUDY (OR EQUIVALENT) AT THE AWARDING INSTITUTION*, WHICH IS A RECOGNISED INSTITUTION, PRIOR TO 1 JANUARY 2016?

If yes, can you provide evidence of sustained research productivity in a medicine and health relevant discipline within this 10-year period or for applicants to the Dubbo Stream only, have sustained and/or significant contribution to rural or remote health care, or to a regional, rural or remote health service?

If no, go to Step 7.

If yes:

- ☐ If you undertook your bachelor's degree at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents.
- If you did not undertake your bachelor's degree at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:
 - a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts**; or
 - ii. an electronic academic transcript issued by My eQuals, Parchment or MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities).

*The "two-year" rule requiring students to have completed their bachelor's degree with at least two years of full-time study (or equivalent) at their awarding institution is waived for applicants applying through the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme. **An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney **does not** accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.

	Although your qualification/s will be assessed and GPA will be calculated by UAC, you are also required to submit your official transcript(s) to the University.
	☐ You must also provide supporting documentation for sustained research productivity in a medicine and health relevant discipline within this 10-year period. OR
	☐ For applicants to the Dubbo Stream only, you must also provide supporting documentation for sustained and/or significant contribution to rural or remote health care, or to a regional, rural or remote health service.
	Go to Step 8.
7.	ARE YOU AN ABORIGINAL OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PERSON APPLYING WITH A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE?
	If no, and you do not meet any of the admission requirements listed under steps 4-6, you are ineligible to apply for admission to the MD.
	If you undertook your postgraduate degree at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents. If you did not undertake your postgraduate degree at the University of Sydney, you must provide either: i. a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts**; or ii. an electronic academic transcript issued by My eQuals, Parchment, MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities). **An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney does not accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.
	Although your qualification/s will be assessed and GPA will be calculated by UAC, you are also required to submit your official transcript(s) to the University.
	Go to Step 8.
8.	HAVE YOU SUCCESSFULLY SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION FOR A QAS STATEMENT THROUGH UAC WITHIN THE DESIGNATED PERIOD IN 2025?
	If no, you must complete your application for a QAS statement through UAC within the designated period in 2025. If you fail to apply for a QAS statement through UAC within the designated period, you will be ineligible for admission to the MD.
	PLEASE NOTE:
	 Refer to the <u>timeline</u> for applications.

	 A previous year's QAS statement is not valid for an application for admission in 2026. You must have included in your application full details of your academic qualifications, any supporting documentation required by UAC, and confirmed that you are applying for admission to the University of Sydney's Graduate Medicine program. If yes: You must enter your correct QAS number on your online application form. Go to Step 9.
9.	DO YOU HAVE ELIGIBLE GAMSAT RESULTS?
	If no (unless you are applying for admission under the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme for applicants with a postgraduate degree) you are ineligible for admission to the MD.
	If yes: ☐ You must enter ALL results for each eligible GAMSAT test (September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, March 2025 ONLY).
	PLEASE NOTE: If you sat the GAMSAT March 2025 test, enter your correct GAMSAT ID on the application form so that the Admissions Office can verify your results as soon as they are released. The results must be available by no later than the deadline to provide supporting documents.
	Go to Step 10.
10.	ARE YOU APPLYING FOR ADMISSION TO THE DUBBO STREAM OF THE MD?
	If no, go to step 11.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide the required documentation for Dubbo applicants.
	Go to Step 11.
11.	ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN RURAL APPLICANTS FACILITATED ENTRY SCHEME?
	If no, go to Step 12.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide the required documentation for rural applicants.
	Go to Step 12.
12.	ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION UNDER THE <u>INDIGENOUS FACILITATED ENTRY</u> SCHEME?

	If no, go to Step 13.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide the required documentation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.
	Go to Step 13.
13.	HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY BEEN EXCLUDED OR SUSPENDED FROM A COURSE AT A TERTIARY EDUCATION INSTITUTION, OR ASKED TO SHOW GOOD CAUSE OR EXPLAIN UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS IN A COURSE?
	If no, go to Step 14.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide documentation outlining the circumstances.
	Go to Step 14.
14.	HAVE YOU COMMENCED STUDIES IN, OR DO YOU CURRENTLY HOLD A DEFERRED OR SUSPENDED PLACE IN, A MEDICAL PROGRAM AT ANY HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?
	If no, go to Step 15.
	 If yes: ☐ You must provide a transcript for your previous studies, or provide relevant documentation for deferral or suspension in a medical program at a tertiary institution.
	Go to Step 15.
15.	HAS YOUR REGISTRATION IN ANY PROFESSION, IN AUSTRALIA OR OVERSEAS, BEEN SUSPENDED OR CANCELLED OR MADE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS/UNDERTAKINGS/LIMITATIONS?
	OR
	HAVE YOU BEEN DISQUALIFIED FROM APPLYING FOR REGISTRATION FOR, OR BEEN THE SUBJECT OF CONDUCT, PERFORMANCE OR HEALTH PROCEEDINGS IN, ANY PROFESSION IN AUSTRALIA OR OVERSEAS?
	If no, go to Step 16.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide documentation regarding your professional misconduct in Australia or overseas.
	Go to Step 16.

16.	IS ENGLISH YOUR FIRST LANGUAGE?
	 If yes: ☐ You must have citizenship or permanent long-term residency (minimum 10 years) and have completed secondary or higher education studies in an English speaking country recognised by the University. If no:
	 You must upload proof of English language proficiency eg, official transcripts or IELTS/TOEFL results, at the time of application. Go to Step 17.
17.	HAVE YOU HAD A CHANGE OF NAME?
17.	If no, go to Step 18.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide official documentation to verify your change of name.
	Go to Step 18.
18.	DOES THE NAME ON YOUR ACADEMIC DOCUMENTS MATCH THE NAME ON YOUR IDENTITY DOCUMENTS?
	If yes, go to Step 19.
	If no: ☐ You must provide either (a) up-to-date academic documents with your legal name, or (b) a letter from the office of the Registrar of the issuing institution confirming your legal name.
	Go to Step 19.
19.	ARE ANY OF YOUR DOCUMENTS IN A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH?
	If no, your checklist is complete.
	If yes: ☐ You must provide an official/certified English translation of any document not issued in English as well as original language versions of those documents.
	Your checklist is complete.

Even if you have previously applied for a course at the University of Sydney and provided documents at that time, you must provide all required documents for your new application to the MD as per the checklist. If you are applying for both the MD and DMD, you must submit two separate applications and upload complete supporting documentation to each application by the deadline.

It is your responsibility to ensure that all necessary documents listed above are uploaded to your application.

8. Contact us

Student Centre

Online

Make an online enquiry via http://sydney.edu.au/contact-us.html

Phone

1800 SYD UNI (1800 793 864) +61 2 8627 1444 (outside Australia)

University Admissions Office

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(include in the subject line your application ID (i.e IPU00xxxxxxx) or 9-digit Student ID Number (SID) and that you are a *domestic* applicant)