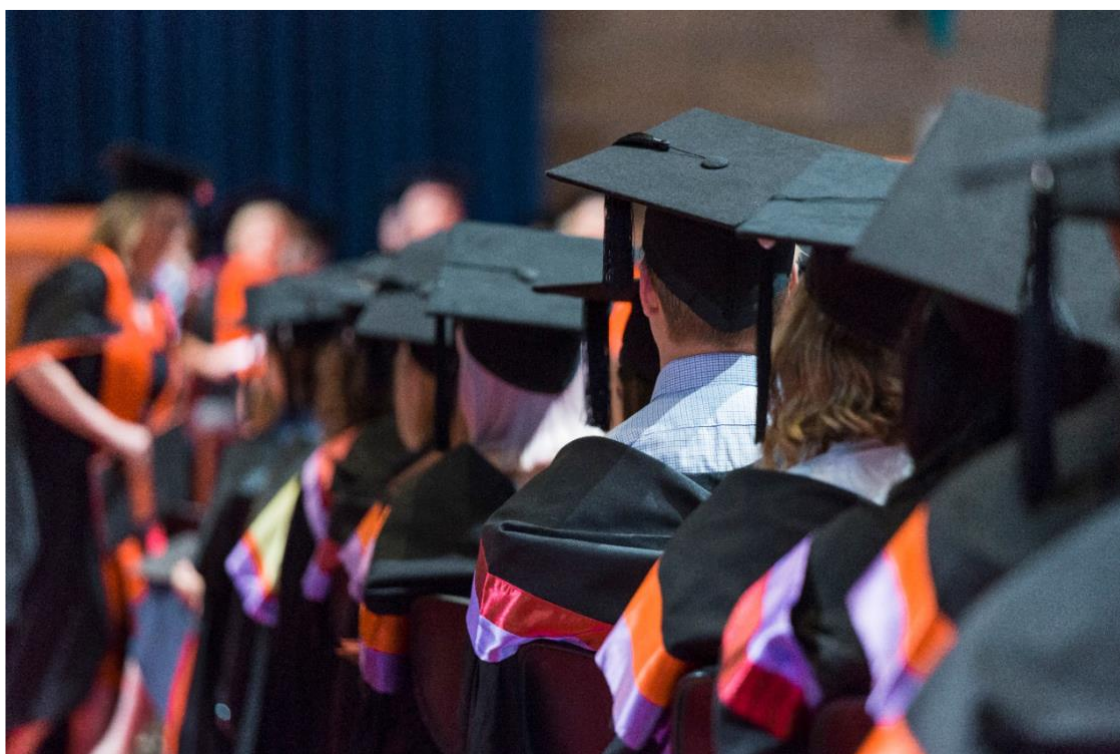




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DOCTOR OF DENTAL MEDICINE  
**DOMESTIC**  
**ADMISSIONS GUIDE**  
**2021**

FOR DOMESTIC APPLICANTS ONLY



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the *Domestic Admissions Guide 2021* for domestic applicants to the Doctor of Medicine (MD) (CRICOS code: 079216J) and the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) (CRICOS code: 074120B) at the University of Sydney.

Please note that due to the global Coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency, the University has reviewed its admissions process and application timeline for admission to the MD and DMD in 2021.

Applying for medicine or dentistry 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 or DMD. 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 and the DMD at the University of Sydney and best wishes for your application.

### 2020 CURRICULUM CHANGES AND ASSUMED KNOWLEDGE (MD ONLY)

In 2020, the MD curriculum was revised to include more time in clinical settings and preparation for practice. Biomedical science teaching and learning in Year 1 is therefore at a higher level than the previous program. These changes were endorsed by the Faculty of Medicine and Health and approved by the University's Academic Board.

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

Due to the global Coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency, the University has reviewed its admissions process and application timeline for admission to the MD and DMD in 2021. 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. It is possible that GPA scores will, in the future, be incorporated into the ranking of applicants for entry into the MD and DMD. It is also possible that the GPA requirement will be increased in the future. Applicants are advised to consult the relevant websites for the most recent information:

<https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine.html> and  
<https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine.html>.

Please read and follow the instructions in this Guide carefully. All prospective students of medicine and dentistry 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

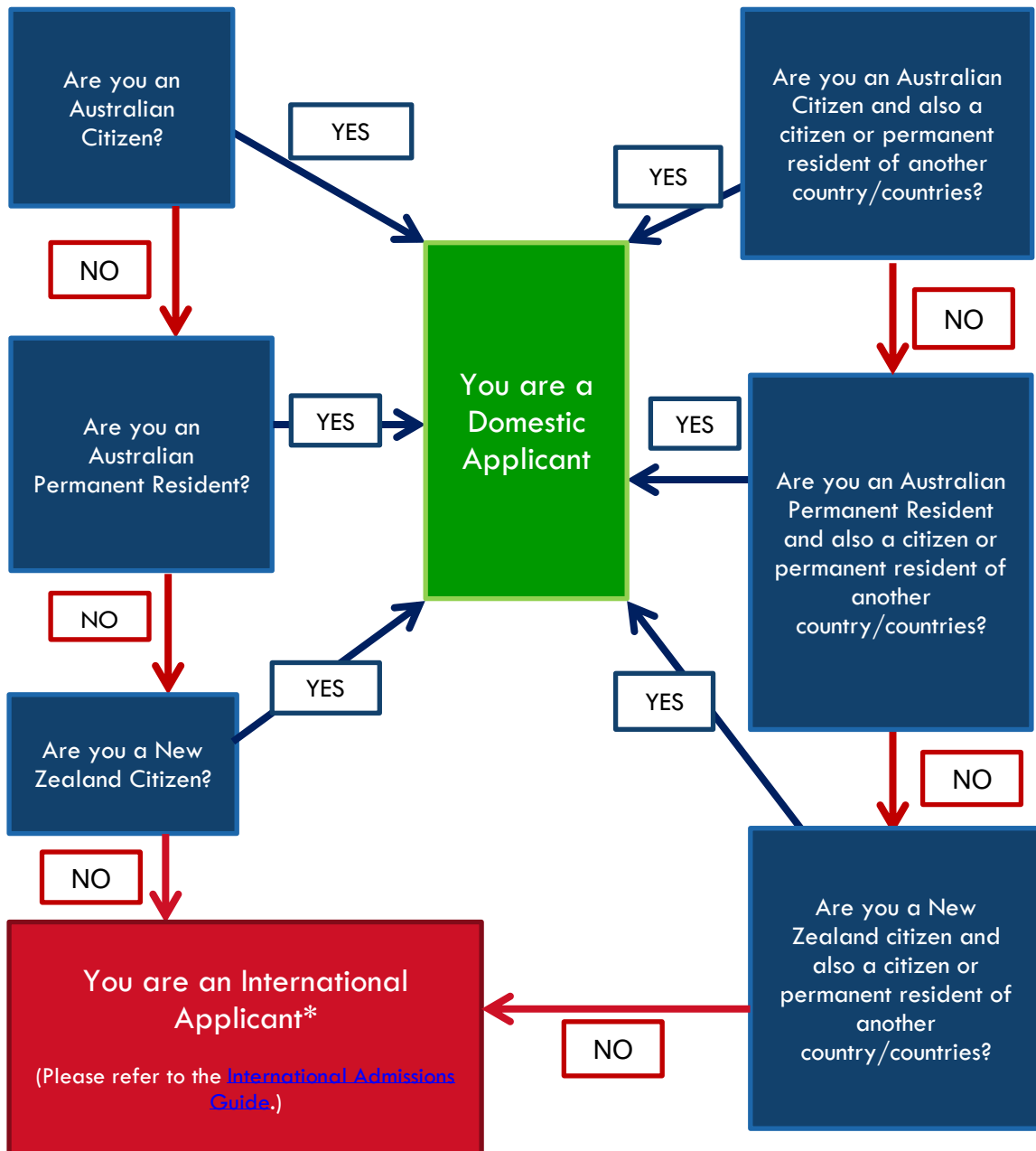
### 2.1 OVERVIEW

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| For 2021 entry only, domestic applicants must fulfil two main requirements to be eligible for admission:                 |   |
| 1. Satisfactory performance in an eligible bachelor's degree (indicated by <a href="#">GPA</a> )                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 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).*</li> <li>- 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.</li> </ul>   |
| 2. Satisfactory performance in an admissions test ( <a href="#">GAMSAT</a> )   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Applicants must either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o submit valid Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) results with their application; or</li> <li>o for 2021 entry only, if GAMSAT results are not available at the time of application, provide proof of registration for the May/June 2020 sitting of GAMSAT.**</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Standard applicants must have achieved a minimum of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT.*</li> </ul> |
| Domestic applicants must also fulfil the following additional requirements, if applicable, to be eligible for admission: |   |
| A. <a href="#">English language requirement</a>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All applicants must meet this requirement.</li> </ul>  |
| B. <a href="#">Biology pre-requisite (DMD only)</a>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DMD applicants must meet this requirement.</li> </ul>  |

\*Note: Facilitated admission pathways 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.

\*\* Please refer to 'GAMSAT result details' in the Supplementary Questions section at 6.4.4: '[Pages in the online application form](#)'.

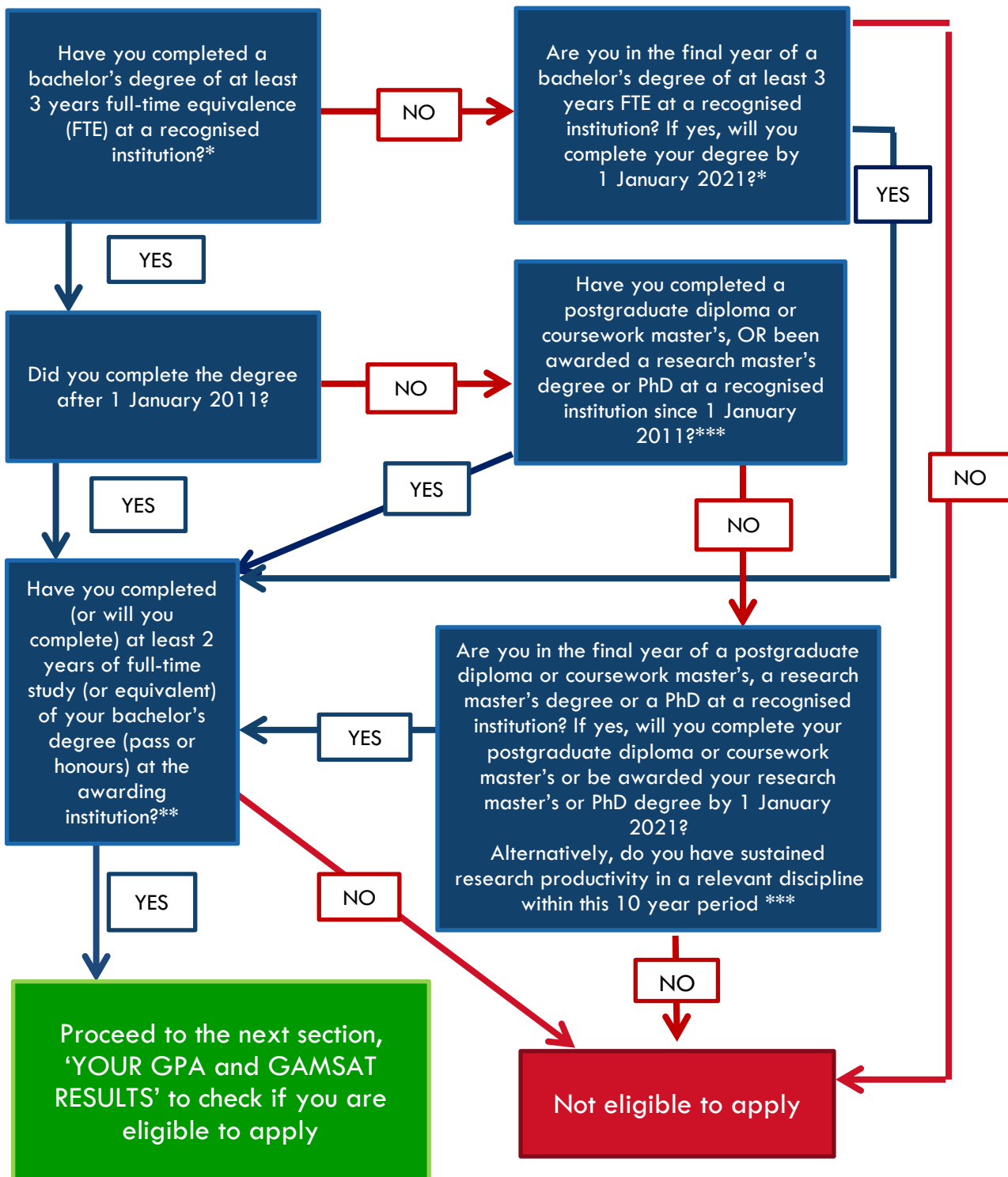
## 2.2 ARE YOU A DOMESTIC APPLICANT?



\*Note: For information for applicants changing from international to domestic status, please refer to clause 39 of the University's [Coursework Policy 2014](#) and <https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine.html> (for MD) or <https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine.html> (for DMD).

## 2.3 YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE

NOTE: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander MD 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 [Australian Qualifications Framework](#) or a bachelor's degree (with honours) accredited at Level 8 under the [Australian Qualifications Framework](#), from [an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution](#); or
- b) a bachelor's degree from an overseas university listed in the [National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Guide](#), 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 or DMD. (Note: This policy also applies to applicants who are enrolled in an accelerated program.) Therefore, if you wish to apply in 2020 for 2021 entry, you cannot undertake an exchange or study abroad program in the second half of 2020, or enrol in summer school in 2020-21. 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 which 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 or DMD, 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 or DMD, a postgraduate research degree (or equivalent); or
- 5) have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period.

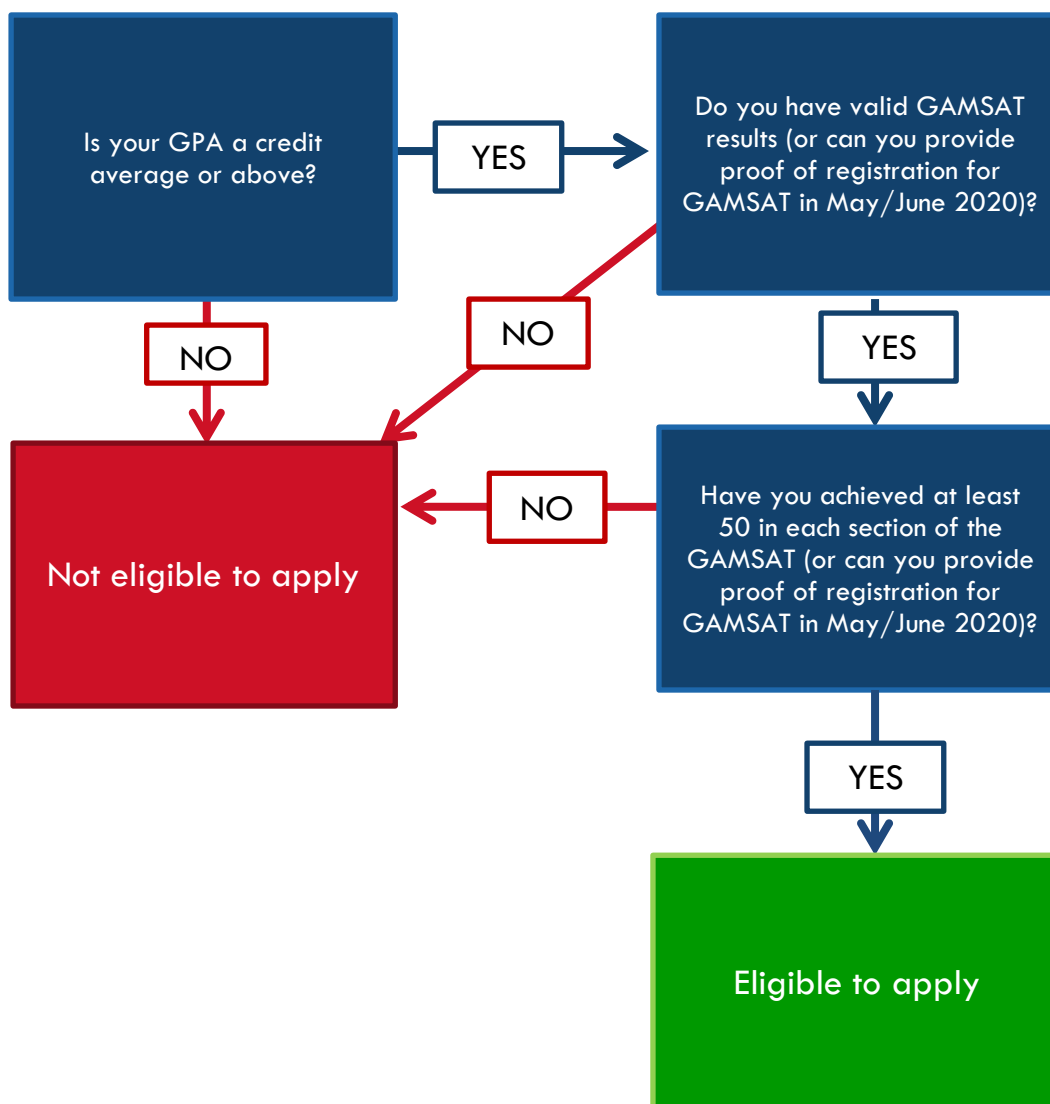
For the purposes of paragraphs (1) to (4) above, a postgraduate diploma or degree (or equivalent) means:

- a) a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma accredited at Level 8, 9, or 10 under the [Australian Qualifications Framework](#), from [an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution](#); or
- b) an overseas university listed in the [National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Guide](#), provided that the postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma is equivalent to an Australian postgraduate degree or diploma.

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 admission pathways. Please see [Part 3](#) of this Guide for details.

### 2.4.1 THE GPA ENTRY REQUIREMENT

Standard applicants must have a minimum GPA of 5, as calculated by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC), by Friday 12 June 2020 (Sydney, Australia time) to be considered. Rural applicants must have a minimum GPA of 4.5, as calculated by UAC, by Friday 12 June 2020 (Sydney, Australia time) to be considered. Applicants applying under a facilitated admission pathway should refer to [Part 3](#) 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.

### A) 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, per the University of Sydney's MD and DMD admission requirements, 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](#) (docx, 33KB) 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](#) (docx, 33KB) for clarification.

### B) 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. Applicants whose GAMSAT results are not available at the time of application, and who can provide proof

of registration for the May/June 2020 sitting of GAMSAT, must provide their test results to the University by no later than 14 July 2020.

**For the purpose of admission to the MD or DMD in 2021 ONLY, each section of the GAMSAT will be used to rank applicants. Although you will be asked to provide overall GAMSAT scores and average GAMSAT scores on your online application form, these will not be used in the assessment of applications in 2020.**

Note: Cut-offs of overall and average GAMSAT scores in 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 <http://www.gamsat.acer.edu.au/>.

#### 2.4.4 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 illness and misadventure according to the authorities' policies.

### 2.5 ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Please refer to the website at [https://www.sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/about-us/governance-and-structure/university-calendar/admissions-standards-english-language-proficiency-\(ab-approved-20200303\).pdf](https://www.sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/about-us/governance-and-structure/university-calendar/admissions-standards-english-language-proficiency-(ab-approved-20200303).pdf).

### 2.6 BIOLOGY PRE-REQUISITE (DMD only)

All DMD applicants are required to meet a biology pre-requisite in one of the following ways:

- Having completed by 1 January 2021 one of the following 6-credit point Biology units of study from the University of Sydney or its equivalent from a recognised institution.
  - BIOL 1001 (Concepts in Biology) (Please note, this unit has not been offered since 2017.)
  - BIOL 1003 (Human Biology) (Please note, this unit has been replaced by BIOL 1008)
  - BIOL 1006 (Life & Evolution)
  - BIOL 1007 (From Molecules to Ecosystems)
  - BIOL 1008 (Human Biology)

Please note: 1) Equivalent units of study must be a university course and include a laboratory component – applicants should provide a transcript and unit of study outline; 2) Other Universities may calculate credit point values for units differently or use a

different scale. The University Admissions Office or the Sydney Dental School will determine your eligibility.

OR

- Having completed, or expecting to complete, by 1 January 2021, a bachelor's degree program that has embedded biology units.

For detailed information, please refer to <https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine.html>.

## 2.7 ARE YOU INELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION?

- (1) Applicants who have not completed or will not complete an eligible bachelor's degree by 1 January 2021 (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 2021) are ineligible to apply. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with a postgraduate degree applying for the MD 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.  
  
\*For this purpose, applicants are considered to have commenced their course on the date on which they first enrolled in the medical program.
- (3) Applicants who have previously applied unsuccessfully for admission to the DMD and have commenced studies in postgraduate dentistry at another university are not eligible for admission.  
  
\*For this purpose, applicants are considered to have commenced their studies on the date on which they first enrolled in the dental program.
- (4) Applicants for the MD or DMD who have previously accepted a conditional or unconditional offer of a place in the MD or DMD at the University of Sydney, and:
  - a. failed to submit any outstanding documentation to proceed with an unconditional offer or to enrol; or
  - b. enrolled in and subsequently withdrawn from or discontinued that program without prior approval from the Head of School and Dean of the relevant school;are ineligible for admission to the MD or DMD for a period of two years from the date of application or enrolment, as relevant.

### 3. FACILITATED ADMISSION PATHWAYS

- 1) FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS TO MD
  - A. Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme (for applicants with a bachelor's degree and GAMSAT results)
  - B. Indigenous Entry Pathway (for applicants with a postgraduate degree):
- 2) FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS TO DMD:  
Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme (for applicants with a bachelor's degree and GAMSAT results)
- 3) FOR AUSTRALIAN RURAL ORIGIN APPLICANTS TO MD OR DMD  
Rural Origin Facilitated Entry Scheme

Note: there is no longer a facilitated admission pathway for applicants with a PhD or master's by research.

#### CONFIRMATION OF ABORIGINAL/TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER DESCENT

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply to study medicine or dentistry 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 descent as specified in the [Confirmation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identity Policy 2015](#):

- a letter of "Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent" 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 [statutory declaration](#). This is a legal binding document demonstrating self-identification as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, declaring that they:

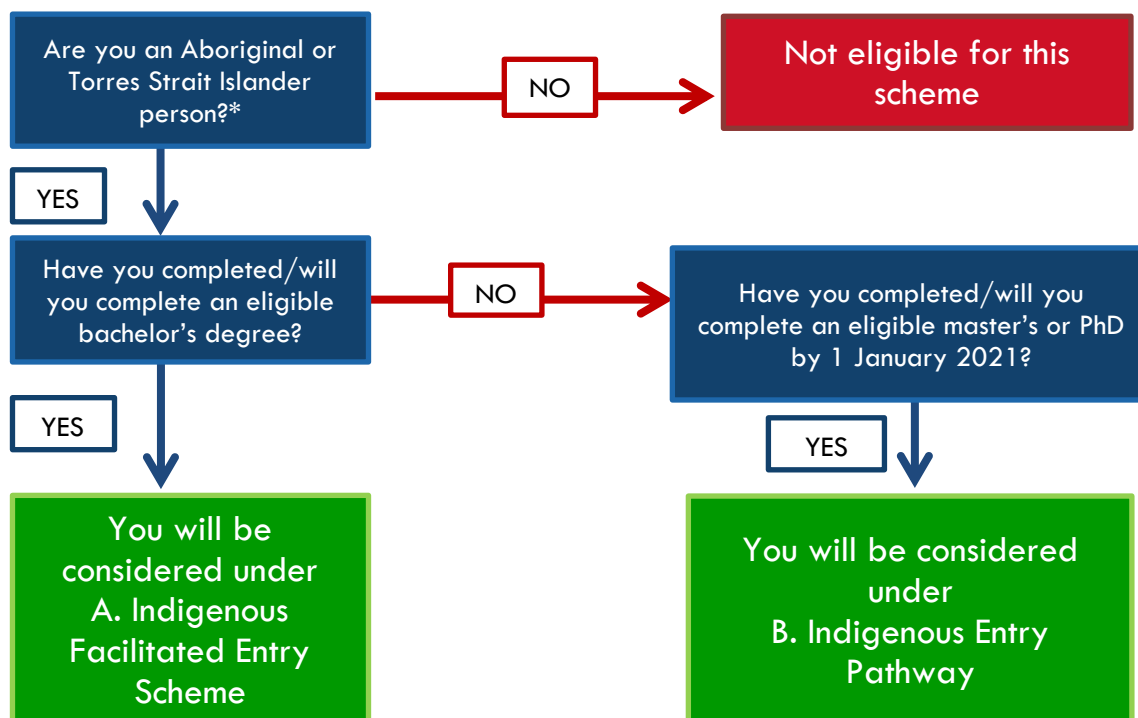
- 1) are of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander descent;
- 2) identify as an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander; and
- 3) are accepted as such by the community in which they live, or previously lived.

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 Sydney Student 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 admission pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

### 3.1 FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS TO MD



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

#### 3.1.1 INDIGENOUS FACILITATED ENTRY SCHEME (FOR APPLICANTS WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND GAMSAT RESULTS)

For admission through the Indigenous Facilitated Entry Scheme:

- Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander as outlined in the University of Sydney policy; and
- 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
- Applicants' GPA (as calculated by UAC) should be at least 4.5, but applicants with a lower mark who can demonstrate improvement over the duration of their tertiary studies may be considered eligible for admission, particularly if their final year of most recent tertiary study demonstrates high-level skills, with approval from the Advisory Committee on Indigenous Admissions (ACIA); and
- Applicants must either submit valid GAMSAT admissions test results with their application, or proof of registration for the May/June 2020 sitting of GAMSAT. 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 (science) paper. However, applicants may still be considered eligible for admission if this result is not achieved, only with approval from the ACIA; and

- (e) Eligible applicants may be required to attend an interview as part of the admission process.

### 3.1.2 INDIGENOUS ENTRY PATHWAY (FOR APPLICANTS WITH A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE):

For admission through the Indigenous Entry Pathway:

- (a) Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander as outlined in the University of Sydney policy; and
- (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 (i.e. a masters or PhD) under the Australian Qualifications Framework, from an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution; or
  - ii. a postgraduate degree at an overseas university listed in the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Guide, 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; and

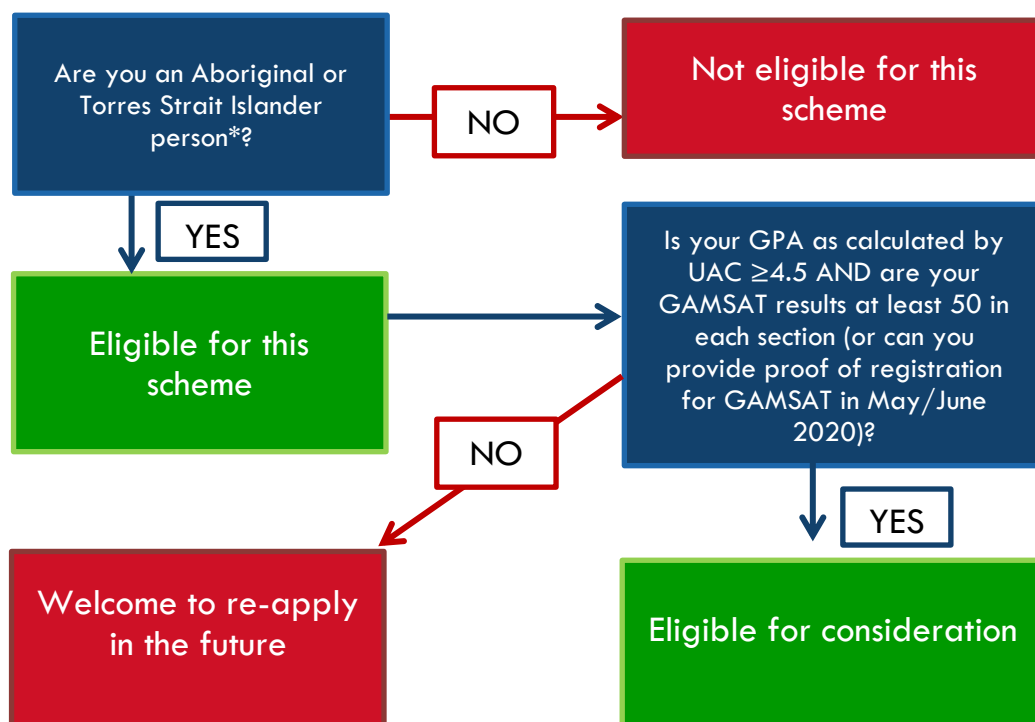
- (c) Applicants are required to have their qualifications assessed, and the Grade Point Average (GPA) for their tertiary studies calculated, by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) through its Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS), and to have achieved at least a GPA of 4.5 (7-point numeric scale).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

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 8627 9424 or email: [med.iheu@sydney.edu.au](mailto:med.iheu@sydney.edu.au).



## 3.2 FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS TO DMD:

### 3.2.1 INDIGENOUS FACILITATED ENTRY SCHEME (FOR APPLICANTS WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND GAMSAT RESULTS)



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

Applicants must have completed a bachelor's degree or be in the final year of a bachelor's degree to be considered. Applicants' GPA (as calculated by UAC) must be at least 4.5. Applicants must either submit valid GAMSAT admissions test results with their application and have achieved a minimum score of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT, or provide proof of registration for the May/June 2020 sitting of GAMSAT.

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.

## 3.3 FOR AUSTRALIAN RURAL ORIGIN APPLICANTS TO MD AND DMD

### 3.3.1 RURAL ORIGIN FACILITATED ENTRY SCHEME

#### (i) Definition of 'Australian rural origin'

An admission pathway is available for applicants who can certify that they are of rural origin. The Australian Government currently defines 'Rural origin' as residency for at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively, **from birth**, in an Australian Statistical Geography Standard – Remoteness Areas (ASGS-RA) 2 to 5. Under the "Australia Bureau of Statistics remoteness classifications" section, please use the [look-up tool](#) for "ASGS Remoteness Areas (2016)" to determine if you are of rural origin.

Step 1: Click on "Start now".



### What is the Health Workforce Locator?

The locator shows the [health workforce classification](#) and geographical information of any area.

You can see the workforce classifications:

- [Distribution Priority Area](#)
- [District of Workforce Shortage](#)
- [Modified Monash Model](#)
- [The Australian Statistical Geography Standard - Remoteness Area](#)
- [The Australian Standard Geographical Classification - Remoteness Area](#)
- [Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Areas](#)

### How do I use the locator?

Enter an address in the form to find information on the area, including its classification and available incentives for the health workforce.

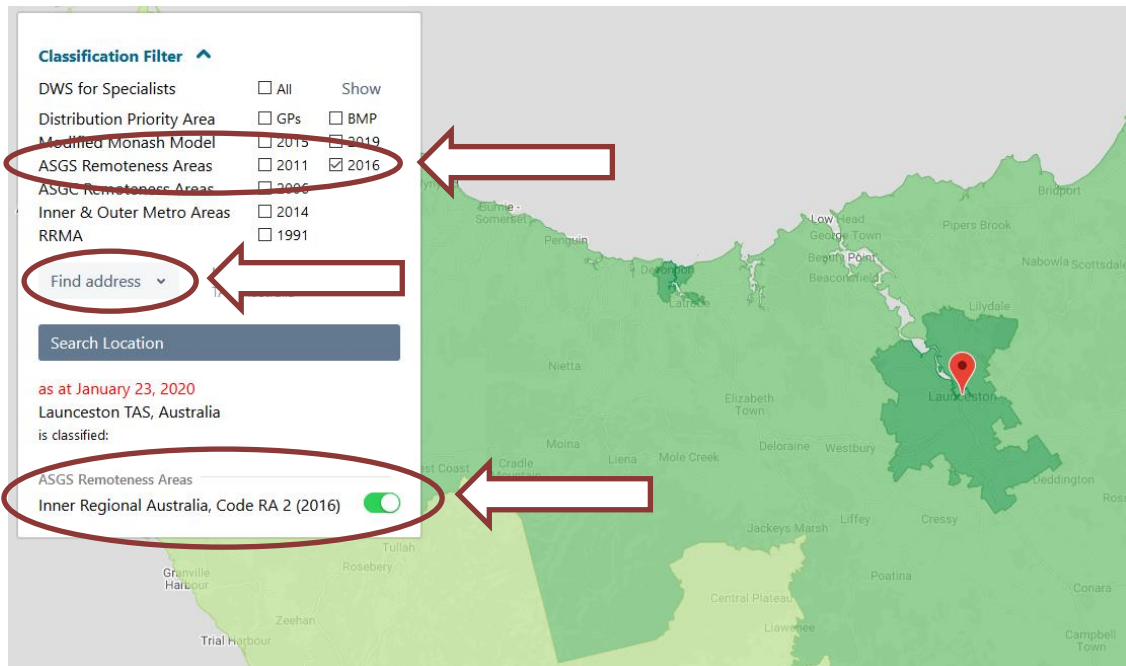
You can also go to the map and search for a location to see its classifications.



Step 2: Click on "ASGS Remoteness Areas 2016".

Step 3: Enter your address in the "Find address" field.

Step 4: Select your address from the drop-down list and the ASGS classification will appear underneath.



The Remoteness Area classifications are:

- RA1 - Major cities of Australia
- RA2 - Inner regional Australia
- RA3 - Outer regional Australia
- RA4 - Remote Australia
- RA5 - Very remote Australia

### (ii) Confirmation of Rural Origin

If you are an Australian rural origin applicant and would like to be considered for the rural origin facilitated entry scheme, you must provide written confirmation from a medical practitioner, dentist, lawyer, school principal, or employer that you have lived in the rural area for at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively. Supporting documentation issued by other members of the rural community will be considered by the University on a case-by-case basis when an application is processed by the Admissions Office. Confirmation of rural origin from family members will not be accepted. Applicants will be given an opportunity to re-submit supporting documentation if they fail to meet the requirements.

(You may click [here](#) (docx, 80KB) to download a confirmation of rural origin template letter.)

The letter 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 letter.
- If your residency was for at least 10 years cumulatively, then the letter 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).

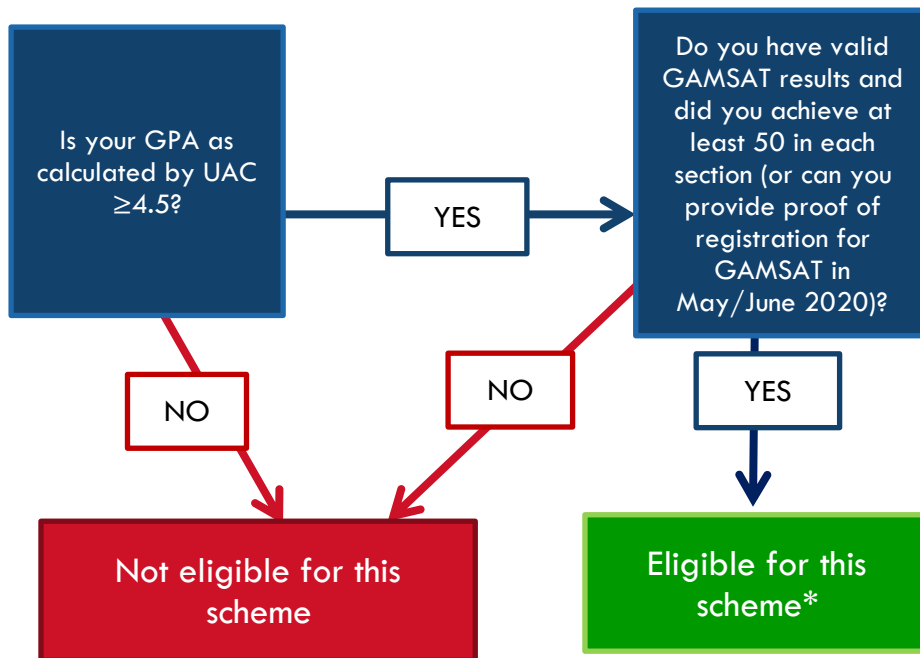
- You must upload the letter to Sydney Student at the time of application, otherwise your application will be processed as a standard application and not via the rural origin facilitated entry scheme.

The University will audit rural applicants. As part of the audit, the author of your confirmation of rural origin letter will be contacted to verify the contents of the letter. 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 letter to the University on request.

Note:

- Time in the future cannot be claimed as part of the 5 or 10 years.
- A statutory declaration will not be accepted.
- School reports will not be accepted as they do not specify your rural residential address.
- 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.

(iii) Admission Criteria



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

Rural applicants are required to achieve a GPA of 4.5, as calculated by UAC, by Friday 12 June 2020 (Sydney, Australia time).

Please see the FAQs below:

**Q: My address was in ASGS-RA 2 in the ASGS Remoteness Area 2011, however it is now ASGS-RA 1 in the ASGS Remoteness Area 2016. Can I be considered under the 2011 ASGS Remoteness Area?**

**A: No, your address must qualify under the ASGS Remoteness Area 2016.**

**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-RA 2-5 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 a RA2 area?**

**A: No, you must live within an ASGS-RA 2-5 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-RA 2 area, can I be considered as a rural applicant?**

**A: No, you must live within an ASGS-RA 2-5 area to be classified as being of rural origin.**

**Q: Can time spent living in an ASGS-RA 2-5 area for shorter periods be added together to make up the 5 years?**

**A: No. Under the Australian Government's definition, 'Rural origin' is defined as residency for at least 5 years consecutively or at least 10 years cumulatively. Shorter periods of time may be added together but must make up 10 years cumulatively in an ASGS-RA 2-5 area.**

**Q: Does time spent in a boarding school in a major city count if my home address is in an ASGC-RA 2-5 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-RA 2-5 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 or DMD, for example, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, or Commonwealth Supported Places, or Bonded Medical Places or Rural applicants.

Offers 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.

Applicants most highly ranked will be offered places first, according to their preferences. If a particular type of place is no longer available, applicants will be offered their next preferred available place.

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 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 2021, 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 DMD, and information on fees and scholarships. Please note that the information is subject to change:

<https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine.html> (for the MD) or  
<https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine.html> (for the DMD)

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 or who has commenced the DMD in a fee-paying place at the University will not be eligible for admission or transfer to a non-bonded or Commonwealth supported place (respectively) in that program.

For this purpose, students are considered to have commenced the course at the time of their first enrolment.

### 4.3 DEFERRAL

Please refer to the relevant websites for the deferral rules:

<https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-medicine.html> (MD) and  
<https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine.html> (DMD).

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 or DMD 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 or DMD may appeal in writing, with supporting evidence, to the Admissions Committee 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 or DMD.

Examples of conduct that might make an applicant unsuitable for admission to the MD or DMD 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

### FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE OFFERED AND ACCEPT A PLACE IN THE MD OR DMD

Students who are offered and accept a place in the MD or DMD will be required to fulfil the following requirements in January of the year of MD or DMD commencement and will receive further information after their offer has been accepted.

#### 5.1 NSW MINISTRY OF HEALTH COMPLIANCE CHECKING

The NSW Ministry of Health has implemented a placement system for all clinical placements at NSW Health facilities – known as “ClinConnect”. The system requires that all students undergo compliance checking before they are permitted to attend any clinical teaching at a hospital.

Please refer to the link below to learn about the COMPULSORY NSW Ministry of Health compliance checks.

[http://sydney.edu.au/current\\_students/student\\_administration/enrolment/course-specific-requirements.shtml](http://sydney.edu.au/current_students/student_administration/enrolment/course-specific-requirements.shtml)

#### 5.2 NSW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC)

All MD and DMD students are required to provide a WWCC 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. International students may wait until their arrival in Australia before submitting an application.

#### 5.3 FIRST AID TRAINING

All MD and DMD students are required to present an original and current First Aid Training Certificate.

**Which training course is acceptable?** 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
- Bites and Stings
- 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.

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 (<http://www.redcross.org.au/>)
- Medilife (<http://www.medilife.com.au/>)
- Royal Life Saving Society Australia (<http://www.royalnsw.com.au>)
- St. John Ambulance Australia (<http://www.stjohn.org.au>)
- Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness ([http://www.susf.com.au/page/first\\_aid\\_courses.html](http://www.susf.com.au/page/first_aid_courses.html))
- 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 and DMD students are also required to:

- meet the Inherent course requirements for Medicine or Dentistry <https://sydney.edu.au/students/student-responsibilities/inherent-requirements.html>; and
- comply with the [Professionalism Requirements Provisions 2019](#).

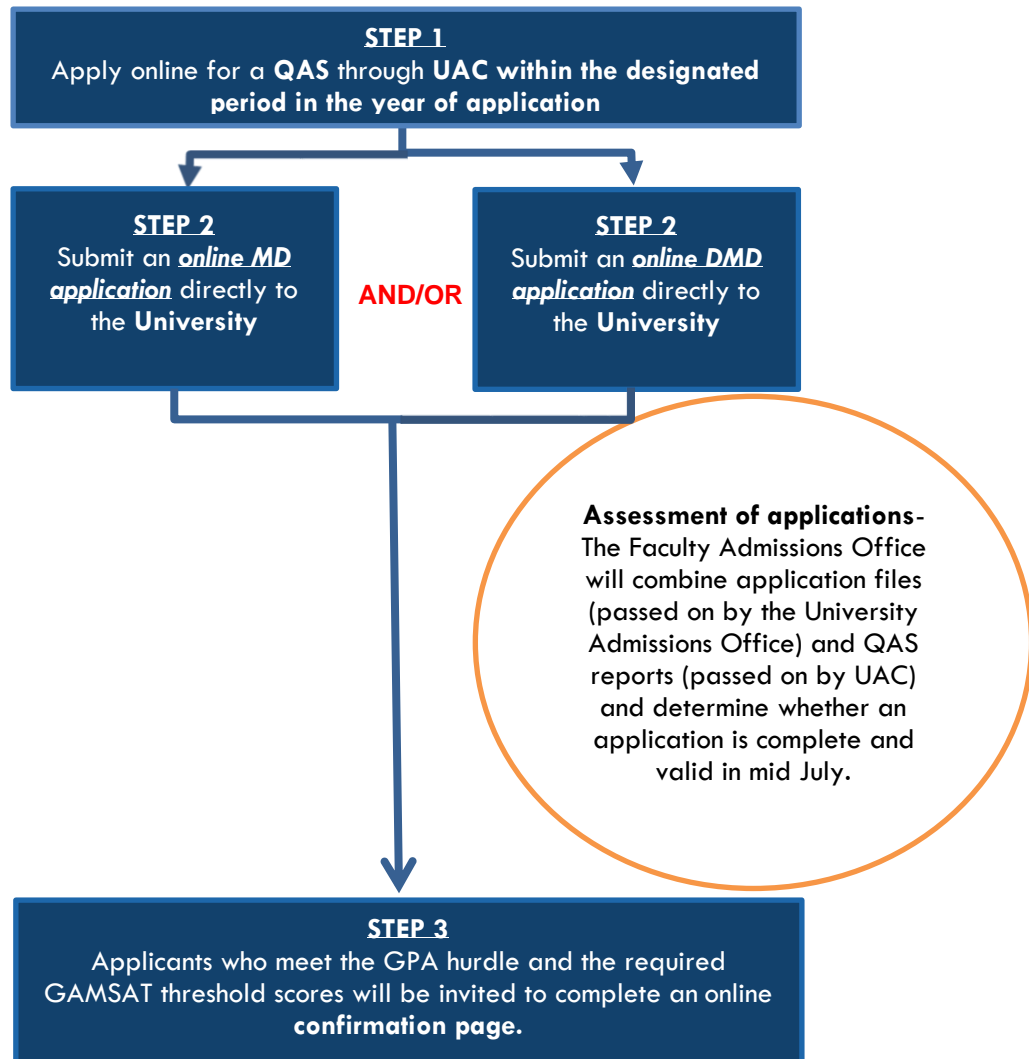
For DMD Applicants: Please note that NSW Health policy dictates that carriage of a range of blood borne infections including Hepatitis C, Hepatitis B, and HIV, excludes infected individuals from performing exposure prone procedures

[https://www1.health.nsw.gov.au/PDS/Pages/doc.aspx?dn=PD2019\\_026](https://www1.health.nsw.gov.au/PDS/Pages/doc.aspx?dn=PD2019_026)

Because dental students are required to perform a wide range of exposure prone procedures as part of clinical training, infection with any of the relevant viral conditions may preclude students from attending clinics, and make completion of the course impossible. For that reason, prospective DMD applicants who have blood borne viral infections are advised to contact the University's Disability Support Service on 02 8627 8422 or at [disability.services@sydney.edu.au](mailto:disability.services@sydney.edu.au) before applying.

## 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 at [here](#). 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 and DMD 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 2020 (see timeline at: <https://www.sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/faculty-of-medicine-and-health/guides/admissions-timeline-md-dmd.pdf>, and remember that dates are subject to change).

\*Applicants applying under the Indigenous Entry Pathway are required to have their postgraduate degree(s) assessed and GPA calculated by UAC.

A fee of \$130 (including GST) is payable to UAC when you apply for a QAS report, and must be paid by credit card or PayPal.

**NOTE: QAS reports are available all year round. However, for the purpose of admission to the MD and/or DMD, you MUST submit your QAS application within the designated period in 2020. Any qualification assessed by UAC outside the designated period will not be accepted by the University.**

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, your GPA will still be calculated from your bachelor's degree results.

Applicants who are applying for both the MD and the DMD at the University need make only one application for a QAS report.

### 6.3.2 HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ONLINE QAS APPLICATION

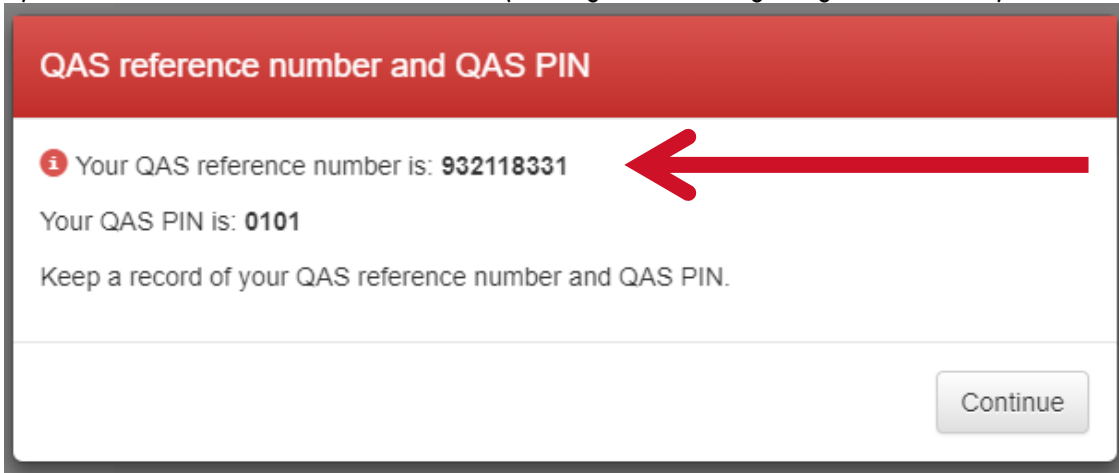
UAC's QAS application can be accessed via: <https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/qualifications-assessment-service>.

When submitting your QAS online application, please note:

- 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**

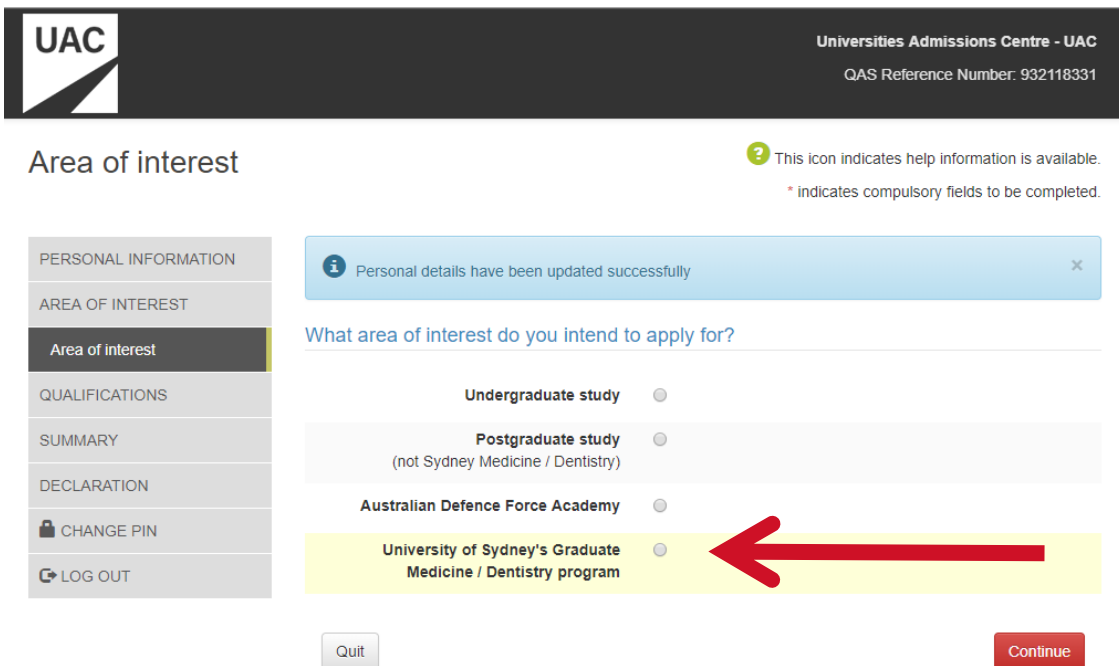
**name as shown on your passport or birth/citizenship certificate and that the name matches the name on your MD and/or DMD application to the University.**

2) You will be issued with a QAS number (a 9-digit number beginning with “932...”).



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

3) The next screen will then ask what area of interest you intend to apply for:



4) You **MUST** select the last option next to “**University of Sydney’s Graduate Medicine/Dentistry program**” on the QAS online application.


**DO NOT** select the option next to “Postgraduate study (not Sydney Medicine/Dentistry)” or “Undergraduate study” or “Australian Defence Force Academy”.

- 5) On the “Qualifications -Tertiary studies” page, select “Yes” in response to the question “Do you have a qualification to add?” Complete the required fields (see sample below) and then click “Add qualification”.

### Choose your institution

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| * NSW    | University of Sydney ▼ |
| TAFE NSW | -- ▼                   |

### Your qualification

|  |  |
|--|--|
| * Level of qualification   | Bachelor Degree ▼  |
| Student/candidate number (if known)  | <input type="text"/>   |
| * Name of your course  | BACHELOR OF ARTS   |
| * Field of education:  | Visual Arts and Crafts ▼   |
| * Year you began the course  | 2011   |
| * Year you were last enrolled in the course  | 2013   |
| * Have you completed this course?  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes<br><input type="radio"/> No |
| * What was/is the course duration  | 3 years full-time ▼  |
| * Have you been excluded from this course?  | <input type="radio"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| <input type="button" value="+ Add qualification"/> <input type="button" value="Clear form"/>                                   |  |


### Tertiary qualifications

You have not yet added any qualification/s

- 6) The following will be displayed once your qualification has been added. Review the table to ensure the information is correct.



## Qualifications – Tertiary studies

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\* indicates compulsory fields to be completed.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

AREA OF INTEREST

QUALIFICATIONS

Secondary studies

**Tertiary studies**


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
Preparatory courses


Professional awards


SUMMARY

DECLARATION

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 Qualifications saved successfully x

Tertiary and post-secondary studies include technical and vocational studies. They include certificates, diplomas, degrees and postgraduate studies. 

Add another qualification

**Tertiary qualifications**

| Item | Description   | Details   | Documents    |
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| 1    | State<br>Institution<br>Course level<br>Student number<br>Course<br>Field of study<br>Year commenced<br>Year last attended<br>Course completed<br>Full-time equivalent<br>Excluded/refused re-enrolment | New South Wales<br>University of Sydney<br>Bachelor Degree<br>---<br>Bachelor of arts<br>Visual Arts and Crafts<br>2011<br>2013<br>Yes<br>3<br>No |  Edit  Upload |

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Continue

- 7) If you have undertaken other tertiary studies (either incomplete or complete), click “Add another qualification” and repeat the process. This can be repeated as many times as necessary. When you have no further tertiary qualifications to add, click “Continue” to move to the next section of the QAS application form.
- 8) To be considered for admission to the MD or DMD, UAC requires QAS applicants with overseas qualifications to have their academic transcripts received by its office by the deadline (see the timeline at <https://www.sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/faculty-of-medicine-and-health/guides/admissions-timeline-md-dmd.pdf>, and remember that dates are subject to change). Supporting documents can be uploaded in PDF format against each qualification as you apply or post-application.

It is your responsibility to ensure that UAC receives your 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 Sydney Student online application to the University. The University will not be responsible for your failure to do so.

Selecting “University of Sydney Graduate Medicine/Dentistry” in the “Area of Interest” section on your QAS online application and putting your QAS number on the Sydney Student 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 the correct area of interest is not selected and/or if any required documentation is not received by UAC by the deadline your application for the MD and/or DMD 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\*** and are calculated 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.

\* The University may combine the UAC calculated GPAs of 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 report thoroughly, because if you are invited to complete an online confirmation page (see ‘Online confirmation page’ section), 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/DMD. 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 APPLICATION FORM

### 6.4.1 BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Please make sure that you have the required documents ready for uploading to the Sydney Student online 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:

- 1) The document upload functionality on the application form does not allow for multiple documents to be uploaded using the same upload button. Please combine your documents into a single file where necessary.
- 2) Most MD and DMD applicants DO NOT need to upload any of the following documents as they are not considered in the admissions process:
  - 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 and who need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period; 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 may 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.

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 2021.

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 [Contact Us](#) 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 or DMD applicants.**



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 believe you have made a mistake in your application and only realise after you have submitted the application PLEASE DO NOT WITHDRAW YOUR APPLICATION and submit a new application for the same Course. You should outline the amendments you wish to make in a Word document and then upload this document to your submitted application using the 'UPLOAD DOCUMENT' function in Sydney Student.

Please contact the University Admissions Office (see [Contact Us](#) 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.

### 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 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?*  
If English is your first language, you do not need to provide proof of English language proficiency. If English is not your first language, you must upload proof of English language proficiency eg, official transcripts or IELTS/TOEFL results.
- *Have you ever been excluded or suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution?*  
If you have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution, 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 or DMD. 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 and DMD.



**Upload your documents**

Maximum file size is 10MB. You must name your file to identify the type of document you are uploading.

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| An official transcript of your academic records for each course attempted   | <input type="text"/> | Browse... |
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| Proof of completion of any previous tertiary qualification(s), such as a testamur or degree   | <input type="text"/> | Browse... |
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| An official English translation of any academic or supporting documentation not issued in English   | <input type="text"/> | Browse... |
|   | Upload               |           |
| Supplementary forms <sup>CF</sup> or other documents that are required for the assessment of your application, which have not yet been uploaded | <input type="text"/> | Browse... |
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- *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 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 sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period.

#### 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/DMD may not be considered.**

- *GAMSAT result details*

To apply in 2020 for admission to the MD and/or DMD commencing in 2021, ONLY results from the following GAMSAT tests can be used: September 2018, March 2019, September 2019, May/June 2020. Applicants with valid GAMSAT results from September 2018, March 2019 or September 2019 must submit their results with their application. Applicants who are registered to sit the May/June 2020 GAMSAT test must provide their GAMSAT ID on their application form by the application deadline and then forward their GAMSAT results to the University Admissions Office as soon as possible and by no later than 14 July 2020.

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

Please note that GAMSAT results are valid for two years. If you have more than one set of valid results, provide the results for the set you want considered. Individual section scores from different tests cannot be mixed.

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.

Note that you will be asked to provide your overall GAMSAT score and average GAMSAT score on the online application form, however please be reminded that neither score will play a role in the assessment of applications in 2020 for admission to the MD or DMD in 2021 ONLY.

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

**Applicants for the MD:**

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 No*

**Applicants for the DMD:**

If you have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental 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 ever commenced studies, or do you currently hold a deferred or suspended place in a dental program at any higher education institution? (mandatory question) Yes 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:

*Q. 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 admission pathway:

*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 Origin 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*

Facilitated entry scheme for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants: If you would like to be considered for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander facilitated entry scheme (MD and/or DMD) or Indigenous Entry Scheme (MD only), 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 admission pathway.

## 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.



Please read these declarations carefully and tick the box below before submitting this application to confirm that you agree. Mandatory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).

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| <b>I understand</b>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- That if I fail to provide my true and complete academic record, or I misrepresent or have misrepresented my true circumstances, that I may be excluded from the University of Sydney, and that the University may terminate my studies at any time.</li><li>- Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code of the Commonwealth Government of Australia.</li><li>- The University of Sydney may vary or cancel any decision it makes if the information I have given is incorrect or incomplete.</li><li>- All documents submitted become the property of the University of Sydney and will not be returned.</li><li>- I am fully responsible for my educational and living expenses while studying at the University of Sydney.</li><li>- Neither the University of Sydney nor the Australian Government can assist me if I do not have sufficient funds to support my candidature.</li></ul> |
| <b>I authorise</b>                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The University of Sydney to make any enquiries, including obtaining or verifying any records and/or other information from or with any education institution, tertiary admissions centre or other organisation (whether education or otherwise), or individual, if it considers it necessary in connection with my application, enrolment and/or candidature.</li></ul>  |
| <b>I agree</b>                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To comply with the rules on admission and enrolment of the University of Sydney as varied from time to time.</li><li>- To inform the University of Sydney immediately if there is any change to the information I have given in this application.</li><li>- That the information I have given in this application is true and correct.</li></ul>   |
| <b>I understand and agree to the above*</b> | <input type="checkbox"/>   |

## 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 50xxxxxxx. 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 intend to use May/June 2020 GAMSAT results, you must enter your GAMSAT ID on the application form and then forward the results to the Admissions Office as soon as they become available, and by no later than 14 July 2020.

## 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 of 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. Information is available on the websites at <http://sydney.edu.au/medicine/study/md/fees-places-scholarships.php> (MD) and at <http://sydney.edu.au/dentistry/student/dmd.php> (DMD).

## 6.6 APPLICANTS REQUIRING FURTHER ASSESSMENT

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

### 1) *Applicants who have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course*

Applicants who have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution must:

- (a) indicate this on their application form; and
- (b) submit documentation detailing the circumstances of the exclusion or involuntarily suspension.

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

**2) Applicants whose professional registration 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 or DMD.

**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 (excluding a biomedicine/biomedical science 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, 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.

**4) Applicants who have commenced studies\*, or hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental program**

Applicants for the DMD who have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental program (excluding an oral health 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 dental program, and their reason(s) for discontinuation, deferral or suspension, when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the DMD.



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

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

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

#### EXCEPTIONS

Applicants who hold a deferred place are required to declare their circumstances on the application form and supply supporting documentation. The MD and DMD Admissions Committee Executive will determine whether or not an interview is required. For example, if a deferral is simply to undertake an honours year or postgraduate studies, no interview will be required.

Applicants who are currently completing the final year of an undergraduate degree as part of a double degree medicine or dentistry program will not be required to attend an interview, subject to their performance in their first degree. These applicants 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

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| 1. | <p>You must provide copies of either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> your valid passport photo page<br/>→Go to Step 3</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> your valid photo identification (e.g. valid driver's licence or proof of age card)<br/>→Go to Step 2</li> </ul>   |
| 2. | <p>If you are an Australian Citizen or New Zealand Citizen and have not provided a copy of a valid passport photo page, you must also provide either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> your citizenship certificate; OR evidence of Australian Citizenship: <a href="https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Citi/Curr/evidence-of-australian-citizenship">https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Citi/Curr/evidence-of-australian-citizenship</a>; OR If you were born in Australia on or after 20 August 1986: your official birth certificate (commemorative birth certificates are NOT official documents) <b>AND</b> either evidence that one parent was an Australian Citizen or a Permanent Resident at the time of your birth or evidence of your residence in Australia for 10 years since your birth; OR</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> If you were born in Australia before 20 August 1986: official birth certificate (commemorative birth certificates are NOT official documents); OR any other relevant legitimate document. You may visit the website at <a href="https://www.passports.gov.au/passportexplained/theapplicationprocess/eligibilityoverview/Pages/confirmingcitizenship.aspx">https://www.passports.gov.au/passportexplained/theapplicationprocess/eligibilityoverview/Pages/confirmingcitizenship.aspx</a></li> </ul> <p>Note: An expired passport photo page cannot be accepted alone or in conjunction with any other form of documentation.</p> <p>→Go to Step 4.</p> |
| 3. | <p>If you hold an Australia Permanent Residence visa, you must also provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> your visa details page AND a Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) from <a href="https://www.border.gov.au/Busi/visas-and-migration/visa-entitlement-verification-online-(vevo)">https://www.border.gov.au/Busi/visas-and-migration/visa-entitlement-verification-online-(vevo)</a></li> </ul>   |
| 4. | <p>If you completed or will 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 2011 and 1 January 2021:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> If undertaken 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.</li> </ul>  |



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|    | <p><input type="checkbox"/> If not undertaken at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:</p> <p>i) a full 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</p> <p>ii) An academic transcript issued by My eQuals.</p> <p>** 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 <b>does not</b> accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>→Go to Step 8.</p>   |
| 5. | <p>If you completed 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 2011 <b>and</b> you either have completed/will complete a postgraduate diploma or master's by coursework of at least one year FTE or were awarded/will be awarded a master's degree by research or PhD from a recognised institution between 1 January 2011 and 1 January 2021:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If undertaken 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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If not undertaken at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:</p> <p>i) a full 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</p> <p>ii) An academic transcript issued by My eQuals.</p> <p>**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 <b>does not</b> accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.</p> <p>Although your qualification/s will be assessed and GPA will be calculated by the UAC, you are also required to submit your official transcript(s) to the University.</p> <p>→Go to Step 8.</p> |
| 6. | <p>If you completed 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 2011 <b>and</b> you need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period:</p>   |



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|     | <p><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide supporting documentation.</p> <p>→Go to Step 8.</p>   |
| 7.  | <p>If you are applying under the Indigenous Entry Pathway with a postgraduate degree:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If undertaken 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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If not undertaken at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:</p> <p>i) a full 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</p> <p>ii) An academic transcript issued by My eQuals.</p> <p>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 <b>does not</b> accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.</p> <p>Although your qualification/s will be assessed and GPA will be calculated by the UAC, you are also required to submit your official transcript(s) to the University.</p> |
| 8.  | <p>When you have successfully submitted an application for a QAS report through UAC within the designated period (previous year's QAS Report is not valid for 2021 intake application) (see timeline at: <a href="https://www.sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/faculty-of-medicine-and-health/guides/admissions-timeline-md-dmd.pdf">https://www.sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/faculty-of-medicine-and-health/guides/admissions-timeline-md-dmd.pdf</a>), including full details of your academic qualifications, any supporting documentation required by UAC, and selecting the correct "Area of interest":</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> You must enter your correct QAS number on your online application form.</p>   |
| 9.  | <p>When you have valid GAMSAT results:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> You must enter your correct GAMSAT results, including overall and average GAMSAT score, on your online application form. If you intend to use May/June 2020 GAMSAT results, you must enter your GAMSAT ID on the application form and then forward the results to the Admissions Office as soon as they become available, and by no later than 14 July 2020.</p>  |
| 10. | <p>If you are applying for admission to the DMD:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide the required documentation to demonstrate that you will meet the <a href="#">DMD Biology prerequisite</a> by 1 January 2021 eg, transcript and unit of study outline</p>   |
| 11. | <p>If you are applying for admission under the <a href="#">Australian Rural Origin</a> admission pathway:</p>  |



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|     | <input type="checkbox"/> You must provide the required documentation for rural applicants.   |
| 12. | If you are applying for admission under the <a href="#">Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander</a> admission pathway:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide the required documentation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.   |
| 13. | If you have previously been excluded or suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide documentation outlining the circumstances  |
| 14. | If you have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a medical/dental program at any higher education institution:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide a transcript for your previous studies, or provide relevant documentation for deferral or suspension in a medical program/dental program at a tertiary institution.  |
| 15. | 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:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide documentation regarding your professional misconduct in Australia or overseas. |
| 16. | If English is not your first language:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must upload proof of <a href="#">English language proficiency</a> eg, official transcripts or IELTS/TOEFL results.  |
| 17  | If you have had a change of name:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide official documentation to verify your change of name.   |
| 18. | If any of your documents are in a language other than English:<br><input type="checkbox"/> You must provide an official/certified English translation of any document not issued in English as well as original language versions of those documents.  |

\*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 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander facilitated admission pathway.

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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/DMD 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

#### EMAIL

[admissions.medicine@sydney.edu.au](mailto:admissions.medicine@sydney.edu.au) for MD  
[admissions.dentistry@sydney.edu.au](mailto:admissions.dentistry@sydney.edu.au) for DMD

(include in the subject line your application ID (i.e IPU000xxxxxx) or 9-digit Student ID Number (SID) and that you are a **domestic** applicant)