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# 2019 MEDICINE ADMISSIONS GUIDE

Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery

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# BACHELOR OF MEDICINE AND BACHELOR OF SURGERY

The medical degree at the University of Adelaide is the third oldest in Australia, with a rich and prestigious history dating back to 1885.

Since its formation, over 130 years of teaching and research has led to an impressive list of groundbreaking discoveries and achievements that continue to transform health care and make an impact on the world today. Among the University's notable alumni are Nobel Prize winners, pioneering researchers and world-renowned doctors.

The Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) degree at the University of Adelaide is an integrated curriculum that draws on all disciplines to provide learning in a clinical context. As a research-intensive university, the MBBS degree recognises research as the foundation of medical practice and delivers a degree that is innovative and at the forefront of medical education. Students studying medicine at the University of Adelaide are provided with state-of-the-art education, training and facilities to ensure that they are ready to face the challenges of medical practice in the twenty-first century.

## Adelaide Health and Medical Sciences (AHMS) building

In 2017, the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences entered an exciting new era in health education with the opening of the 14-floor, \$246 million Adelaide Health and Medical Sciences (AHMS) building.

Located in the heart of the Adelaide BioMed City precinct, alongside the new Royal Adelaide Hospital and South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI), the AHMS building is the new home of the Adelaide Medical School. The building also houses Adelaide Health Simulation, the Adelaide Nursing School, Adelaide Dental School and Adelaide Dental Hospital.

The AHMS building brings together more than 1700 students and 600 health researchers in a vibrant and innovative environment where learning and discovery work hand-in-hand.

## Degree overview

The MBBS consists of three major streams reflecting the core elements of medical practice:

1. Scientific Basis of Medicine
2. Clinical Practice
3. Medical Professional and Personal Development

A major emphasis is placed on professionalism, communication and clinical reasoning, as well as the practise of evidence-based and preventative medicine. Small-group Case-Based Learning (CBL) is the dominant learning mode during the early years of the curriculum. Lectures in the medical disciplines such as pathology, anatomy, physiology and pharmacology are carefully staged throughout the clinical cases of the most commonly encountered and socially significant diseases.

In Year 1, students will also undertake two semesters of Fundamentals of Biomedical Science, a course specifically designed for medical students. The Clinical Skills and Medical Professional and Personal Development courses begin in week one and assist students to acquire the skills required for effective clinical practice. The clinical practice tutorials in Years 1 and 2 are led by senior clinicians in a state-of-the-art clinical skills facility.

In Year 3, clinical skills training is conducted primarily in the public teaching hospitals. Students will then bring this core learning to their clinical placements in Years 4–6. These placements will be held in a wide range of organisations, including public teaching hospitals and the broader medical and health community. There are some clinical placements that all students must take, but there are also opportunities for students to choose from a range of electives. Some students will be able to undertake Year 5 in a rural setting. Year 6 is focused on what students need to know for their internship. The major exam is conducted at the end of Year 5, and with the pressure of exams reduced, final year students can focus on their clinical practice and professional development.



## Inherent requirements

The medical degree places substantial demands on students. The learning style and assessment techniques are likely to be different from those experienced elsewhere.

Clinical placements require significant time commitments of students, which may include time periods normally regarded as after-hours. Students will need physical and mental stamina, as well as flexibility with hours of attendance. For more details, visit:

[health.adelaide.edu.au/study-with-us/medicine-surgery/inherent-requirements](http://health.adelaide.edu.au/study-with-us/medicine-surgery/inherent-requirements)

## Incidental fees

There will be additional costs, over and above tuition fees for all Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) students, this includes (but is not limited to) textbooks, equipment, required immunisations, clearance renewals, first aid certificates, student amenities fees etc.

For further information visit:

[adelaide.edu.au/student/finance/other-fees](http://adelaide.edu.au/student/finance/other-fees)

# BACHELOR OF MEDICINE AND BACHELOR OF SURGERY

## SATAC CODE:

314552: non-bonded medical place  
314553: bonded medical place

## DURATION:

6 years full-time

## LOCATION:

North Terrace campus

## MID-YEAR ENTRY:

No

## DEFERRAL:

Yes—up to two years

Please note that strict quotas apply to the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree.



## Medicine clinical placement requirements

Students undertaking clinical placements in medicine must satisfy the following requirements:

- Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency student registration
- Department for Communities and Social Inclusion screening for Child Related, Aged Care and Vulnerable Persons
- immunisations
- prescribed communicable infections screening
- tuberculosis screening
- clinical placement deed poll
- hand hygiene.

Students who do not meet the above requirements are at risk of not completing the degree. Please note: placements are compulsory and information on the above will be provided when students commence.

For more details, visit:

[health.adelaide.edu.au/study-with-us/student-support/clinical-placements](http://health.adelaide.edu.au/study-with-us/student-support/clinical-placements)

## Rural placements

Enrolment in the University of Adelaide's Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery requires students to undertake rural clinical placements. Commonwealth supported students (in both bonded and non-bonded places) need to complete four weeks of rural placements before graduation, with 25% of students required to complete one year of clinical training in a rural site. If these places are not filled by students voluntarily, all students in Commonwealth supported places will be included in a random ballot to be allocated to one of these year-long rural placements.

## Graduate registration

After successful completion of the MBBS degree, graduates are eligible to register with the Medical Board of Australia. In order to register, applicants must be able to demonstrate English language skills at IELTS academic level 7 or the equivalent.

New Zealand citizens applying to the MBBS degree intending to practise in Australia after graduation must be aware of the criteria for obtaining a Medicare Provider Number.

Refer to [medicareaustralia.gov.au](http://medicareaustralia.gov.au)

International applicants should note that successful completion of this degree may not qualify them to practise/register in their home country. Applicants will have to contact the relevant health registration bodies of their home country for further information.

## Career opportunities

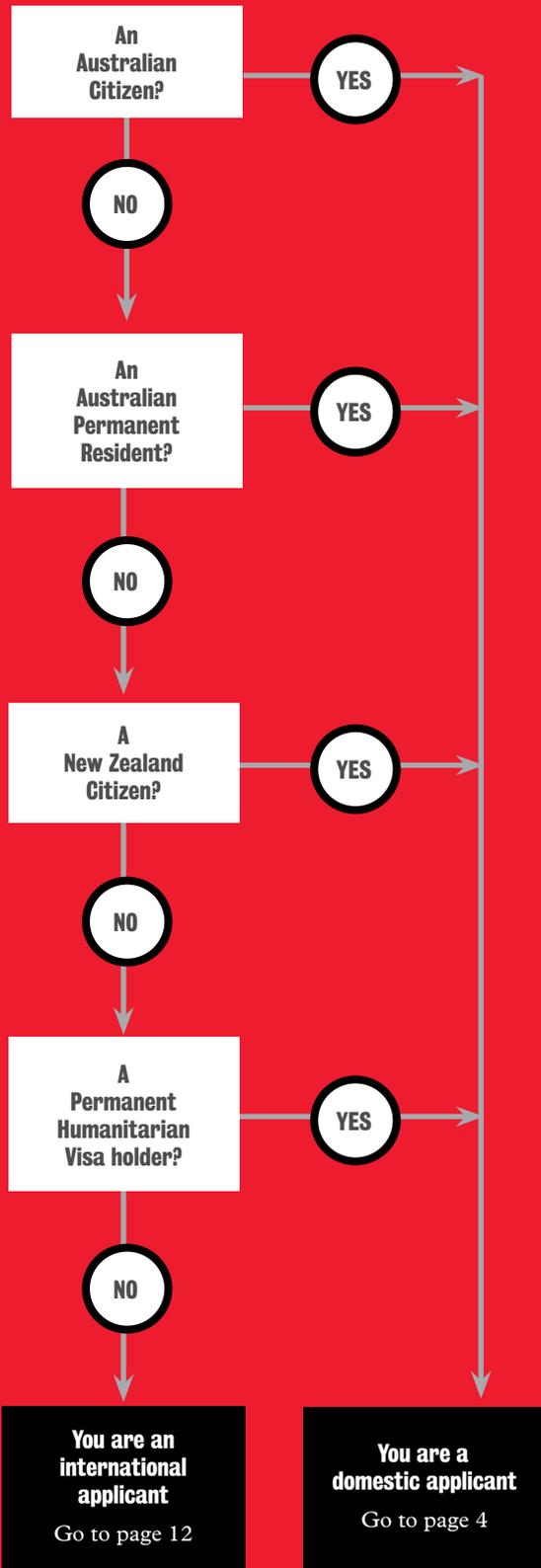
After graduation, and before being admitted to full registration as a medical practitioner in Australia, graduates must serve at least 12 months as an intern in an approved hospital. After successfully completing the internship and obtaining full registration to practise, students will need to make a career decision about entering a training program offered by a professional college. A wide range of opportunities are available, and students may choose to pursue a career in areas such as general practice, surgery, medicine or public health. They may choose to work in a rural area of Australia, or, as a university clinical academic, they may choose to combine clinical practice with research and education.

Medicine graduates from the University of Adelaide are now working in a diverse range of fields or have begun additional study in specialisations such as psychiatry, ophthalmology or paediatrics. Potential career paths will become apparent as students progress through the degree.



# ARE YOU A DOMESTIC OR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANT?

## ARE YOU:



## IMMIGRATION STATUS

### Change in immigration status during the application process

- If you are an international applicant to the MBBS degree and your residency status changes during the application process (i.e. you obtain permanent residency or some other immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency), you will no longer be eligible for an international student place.
- If you are an international student and your immigration status changes prior to 28 September and you have NOT lodged a parallel domestic application and/or you do not meet the additional entry requirements for domestic applicants, you cannot be considered for a domestic offer and can no longer be considered for an international offer. You will need to re-apply for domestic entry the following year, in accordance with the entry policy of that year.
- If you are an international student and your immigration status changes after 31 October and prior to the release of international offers, you will no longer be considered for the international cohort. You will need to re-apply for domestic entry the following year, in accordance with the entry policy of that year.

### Change in immigration status prior to release of offers

Offers for international places in the MBBS degree cannot be made to applicants who are Australian/New Zealand citizens or Australian Permanent Residents.

If you obtain permanent residency (or some other immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency) after 28 September and prior to the release of international offers, you will not be eligible for an international offer and you will need to re-apply for domestic entry the following year, in accordance with the entry policy of that year.

### Change in immigration status after accepting an offer

Due to strict domestic and international quotas for commencing students, if you obtain permanent residency (or some other immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency) after you accept your offer and before you complete your first year of study in the MBBS degree, you will not be able to remain in the degree.

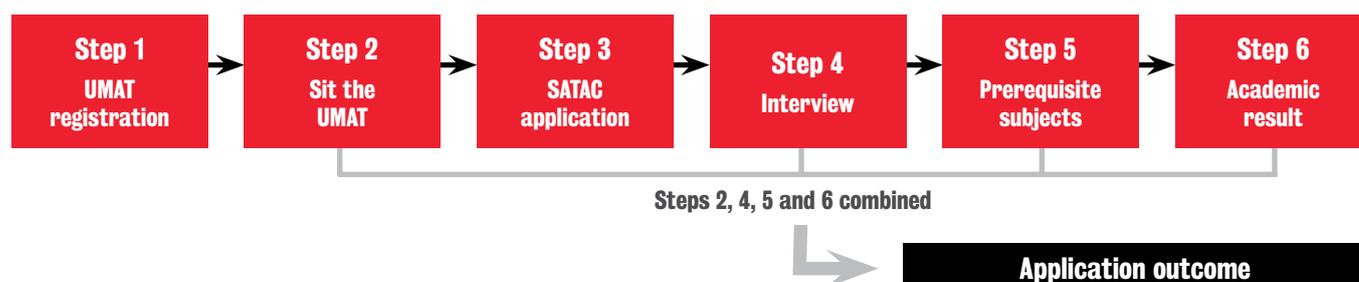
### Change in immigration status during studies

If you are an international student and you obtain permanent residency (or another applicable immigration status that entitles you to the educational benefits of permanent residency) after you complete your first year of study, you will only be able to remain in the MBBS degree if there is a domestic place available at that time. With strict quotas across the breadth of the MBBS degree, availabilities of domestic places at any given time cannot be guaranteed. These are at the discretion of the Executive Dean and subject to availability.

If a domestic place is available, you must pay tuition fees for the remainder of your studies in the degree (i.e. you cannot be transferred to a Commonwealth supported place). If a domestic place is not available, you will not be able to remain in the MBBS degree.

# DOMESTIC ENTRY OVERVIEW

## Application process



### Ranking for offer

If you are a domestic applicant, you will be ranked for an offer based on a combination of scores from these three components weighted as follows:

- UMAT results: 20%
- interview results: 40%
- academic results: 40%

**Please note:** Feedback on your performance and overall ranking will not be released by the University. Information regarding applicants and their applications is confidential and will not be released to an advocate of the applicant, whether family or friends. No appeals on behalf of an applicant will be considered.

Personal statements, testimonials, character/school/work references, awards, certificates and predicted results do not make up any of the selection components and will not be considered. Please do not submit these documents to the University.

### What is UMAT?

The Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT) is an aptitude exam run by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). It is one of the core components for entry selection into the MBBS degree.

### Step 1. UMAT registration

All applications to register and sit for the UMAT must be made directly to ACER. For more information, please refer to the UMAT website: [umat.acer.edu.au](http://umat.acer.edu.au)

The UMAT website explains the test in detail and sets out the procedure for registration, including the fees payable, test centre procedures and regulations.

The University of Adelaide does not endorse any commercially available UMAT preparation courses. You are encouraged to access the practice materials from ACER upon registering for the UMAT.

### Step 2. Sit the UMAT

Once results from the UMAT are received by the University, we will determine whether or not an applicant receives an invitation to an interview.

If your UMAT result does not rank you highly enough to receive an invitation to attend an interview, any requests for special consideration for an interview will be declined.

The University of Adelaide will not alter your UMAT score for any reason, including illness or compassionate grounds, and will not intervene or interfere in the UMAT scoring process or any application for an alternative test date. The University is not responsible for the release of UMAT scores to you, and will not comment on the competitiveness of your score.

### Can previous UMAT scores be used?

UMAT scores can be used for admission to any of the UMAT Consortium universities only in the year following the test. For example, results from UMAT 2018 can be used for undergraduate medicine or dentistry courses beginning in 2019 but not 2020.

### Step 3. SATAC application

The South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC) receives and processes applications for all undergraduate degrees in South Australia and releases the formal offers for all University of Adelaide degrees. You will be asked to enter your UMAT identification number when you lodge your application by the nominated early SATAC

application deadline. Please note: Late applications to the MBBS degree will not be considered.

Domestic applicants must apply through SATAC. Visit: [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)

Domestic applicants must state their preferred Commonwealth Supported Place types at the time of application to SATAC.

- 314552: non-bonded medical place
- 314553: bonded medical place

For more information about place types go to page 10.

Rural entry pathway applicants are required to sign and submit a statutory declaration as proof of their rural background at the time of the SATAC application.

### How do I order preferences for bonded and non-bonded medical places?

You can list up to six preferences in your SATAC application. These should be listed in the order you would most like to study, with your highest preference at the top.

You are able to list both a non-bonded medical place and a bonded medical place in the SATAC application. This will take up two preferences.

SATAC codes are:

- 314552: non-bonded medical place
- 314553: bonded medical place

Visit the SATAC website for further details about applying and preferences: [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)

## Step 4. Interviews

Interview invitations are based on your performance in the UMAT, with each of the three UMAT sections having equal weight.

### Interview outcomes

There is one round of interviews for the MBBS degree. Only those who attend an interview will remain in consideration for an offer into the degree. On the 29th of October, all applicants will receive an email from the University of Adelaide to the email address provided in their SATAC application. This email will contain important information on how to log into the Admissions@Adelaide system to see if you have been invited to attend an interview or not. The University cannot be held responsible if an applicant's email set-up filters the University's email into a SPAM, Junk or other such folder – all applicants are advised to check their email settings. Approximately 800 applicants will be invited to attend an MBBS interview.

Interviews will be conducted from late November and into December 2018.

### Booking an interview

All eligible applicants will be able to book an interview via a link in Admissions@Adelaide system. Upon proceeding to book an interview, applicants will be sent log in details to the email address provided in their SATAC application. Log in details are sent per degree, and specific log in details and booking calendar links will be sent for each program preference, where an applicant is eligible for an interview for multiple degrees e.g. Medicine and Dentistry.

Applicants will be able to select an interview time from a limited number of sessions on a first come, first served basis. During this time you can cancel and reschedule. A link back to the applicable calendar may be found by logging back in to Admissions@Adelaide, or by referring to the email containing the log in details.

There is no option offered for conducting interviews by telephone or via video conferencing (e.g. Skype), and any requests will be declined. It is an applicant's responsibility to ensure that they are available during the nominated times, as interviews will not be conducted outside of these dates. Requests for an interview outside of the nominated times will be declined. Please note: The University reserves the right to run additional interview sessions if necessary.

### Where are interviews held?

Interviews for eligible domestic applicants are conducted face-to-face in Adelaide at the Adelaide Health and Medical Sciences Building (AHMS)57 North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5000.

### Can interviews be rescheduled once the booking system has closed?

Once the booking system has closed, an interview cannot be rescheduled except in cases of extreme medical/compassionate circumstances. A request to reschedule under these circumstances must be submitted in writing to the Faculty Admissions Committee (with supporting documentation) for consideration within five days of the original interview. Please submit all rescheduling requests to [fhsadmissions@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:fhsadmissions@adelaide.edu.au)

**Please note:** An interview will not be rescheduled for reasons such as (but not limited to): transportation problems or delayed/cancelled flights for those travelling from interstate and overseas.

### Interview criteria

The interview comprises of a series of scenarios and questions and provides an opportunity for you to demonstrate your personal qualities, including:

- Motivation and self-awareness
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Attention to detail and professional behaviour
- Interpersonal and communication skills
- Prioritising and conscientiousness
- Aptitude for group learning and teamwork
- Compatibility and understanding of the degree and applicable health profession

### Preparing for the interview

You are encouraged to prepare for the interview, but are discouraged from reciting rehearsed responses. Attempts at rehearsing for the interview often trigger 'rehearsed' replies rather than 'natural' responses, which can lessen your overall performance. The interviews are reviewed after each cycle and the content and conduct of interviews may change from one year to the next. The University of Adelaide does not endorse any commercially available preparation courses.

### Interview structure

Interviews for the MBBS degree comprise of two 15 minute sessions, with five minutes between each session. In each session you will be interviewed by a panel of up to two interviewers. All interviewers are volunteers who have completed a University of Adelaide training program. They are recruited from the following groups:

- academic, clinical academic, and professional staff of the University of Adelaide
- graduates from the MBBS degree
- people drawn from the wider community

You will be given the first names of the panel members. The only information the panel will have about you is your first name and SATAC application number, for reference purposes only.

## Step 5. Prerequisite subjects

<b>SACE Stage 2</b>	Biology or Chemistry or Mathematical Methods.  <i>If Stage 2 studies were undertaken prior to 2017, the equivalent Mathematics subject was known as Mathematical Studies.</i>
<b>IB</b>	Biology (SL grade 4/HL grade 3) or Chemistry (SL grade 4/HL grade 3) or Mathematics (SL grade 4/HL grade 3)
<b>Equivalent university courses</b>	All applicants must have successfully completed the prerequisite subjects or equivalent, such as a first year Human Biology subject (full-year) as part of the Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences degree.

You must have successfully completed the prerequisite subjects or equivalent. To query equivalent subjects please contact: [enquiry@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:enquiry@adelaide.edu.au)

### Assumed knowledge

A necessary precursor for success in the MBBS degree is a high proficiency in the written and oral use of the English language.

### Applying for credit

Due to the highly integrated curriculum in the MBBS degree at the University of Adelaide, you are not eligible to apply for entry into the later years of the degree, or to apply for credit or recognition for prior learning.

## Step 6. Academic score

To meet the minimum academic threshold for entry into the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) degree at the University of Adelaide, you must achieve:

- **Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) (including any applicable bonus points):** 90 or above
- **International Baccalaureate score:** 33 or above or the interstate/ overseas equivalent.
- **Grade Point Average (GPA):** 5.0 or above – only applicable for University of Adelaide Higher Education applicants
- **STAT Entry:** Please see page 9.

**Please note:** The minimum ATAR to be eligible for entry is 90 but usually a significantly higher ATAR is required due to the competitiveness of applicants. The SACE Board of SA or interstate equivalent will advise the applicant of their ATAR. The University does not release ATAR cut-off scores from previous years.

## Bonus points

**Please note:** The MBBS degree does not consider subject bonus points and therefore the Universities Language, Literacy and Mathematics Bonus Scheme does not apply.

Bonus points for the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree are only available under the Universities Equity Scheme. This scheme aims to improve access to tertiary education for students who are under-represented at university. Eligible applicants will receive five bonus points. For more information, visit: [adelaide.edu.au/study/undergraduate/how-to-apply/bonus-points](http://adelaide.edu.au/study/undergraduate/how-to-apply/bonus-points), or contact [enquiry@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:enquiry@adelaide.edu.au)

## Step 7. Application outcome

Offers to successful domestic applicants will be made by SATAC. SATAC has a number offer rounds in addition to the main round. The University of Adelaide reserves the right to make offers outside of the formal advertised SATAC offer rounds. Offers will continue to be released until all places are filled. Please note: This can continue up until week four of semester. To secure your place in the MBBS degree, you must enrol in all first year courses by the deadline stated in your SATAC offer letter. Supporting information regarding enrolment will be provided by the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences once SATAC offers are made.

For key university dates go to: [adelaide.edu.au/student/dates/critical](http://adelaide.edu.au/student/dates/critical)

## Course enrolment

To secure your place in the MBBS degree, you must enrol in all first year courses by the deadline stated in your SATAC offer letter. Supporting information regarding enrolment will be provided by the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences once SATAC offers are made.

## Change of preferences

A change of preference includes changing the order of the existing preferences in a SATAC application. You can check or change your preferences online at [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au) after you have lodged your SATAC application. SATAC staff will not accept a change of preference over the telephone.

Please note that new applications/ preferences for the MBBS will not be considered after the SATAC closing date. If you wish to change the order of your existing preferences, including the MBBS, you must do so by early January 2019 in order to be guaranteed equal consideration.

Please refer to SATAC website for change of preference deadline: [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)

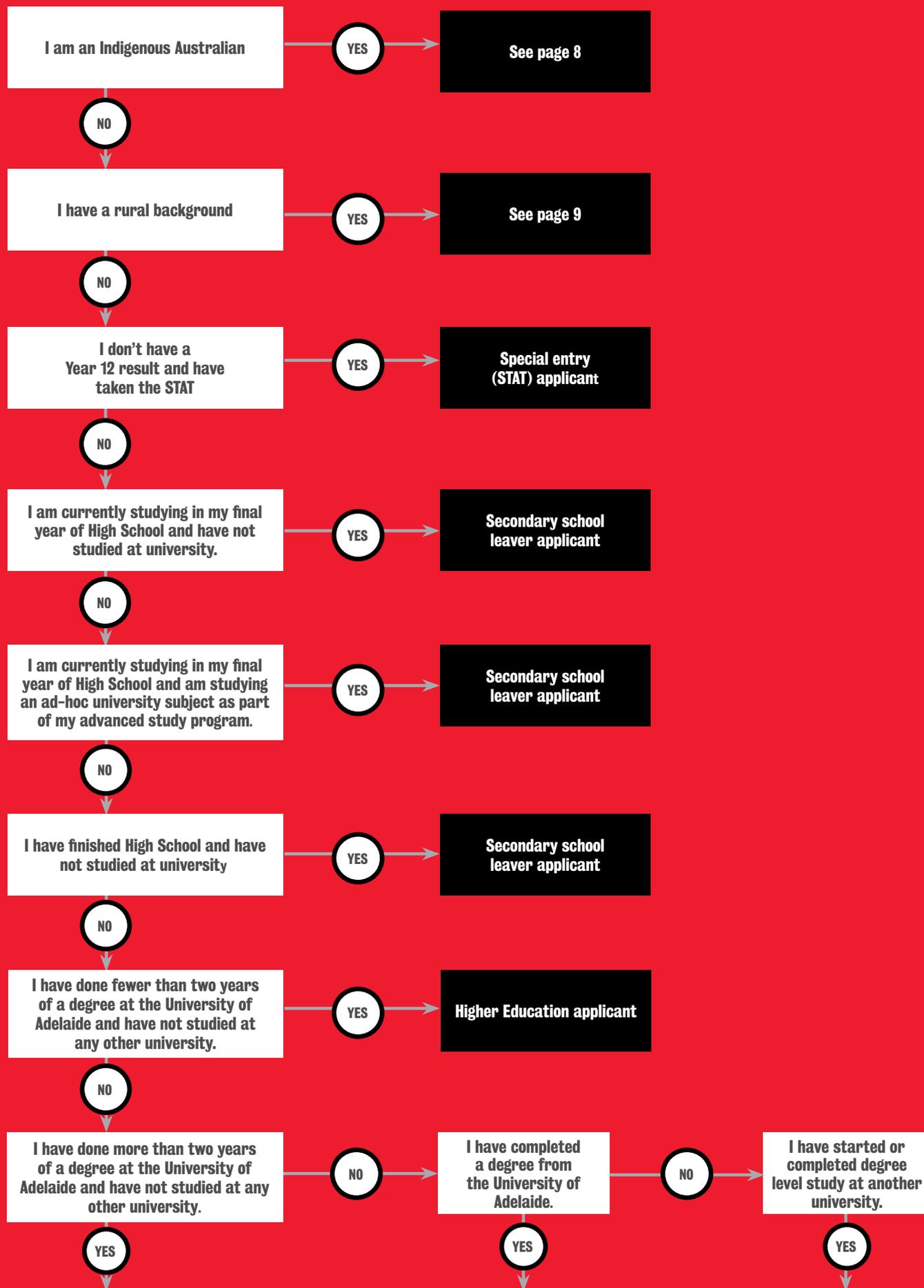
## Deferral of study

Deferment of studies for up to two years is permitted for the MBBS. If you receive an offer and wish to defer your studies, you must choose the 'defer' response (by the nominated response deadline in your SATAC offer) and follow all instructions provided by the University during this time, in order to be guarantee their place in future.

The University will be in contact by November 2018 to confirm your place for the following year. All communications regarding the deferred place will be via email to the email address provided in your SATAC application.

# ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY PATHWAYS

WHICH ENTRY PATHWAY IS RIGHT FOR YOU?



**You are not eligible for entry into the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree at the University of Adelaide.**

# ENTRY PATHWAYS

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## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI)

The Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences is committed to contributing to the University's desire to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who participate in its programs, and makes particular effort to encourage Indigenous students to participate in medical education. The MBBS degree has allocated a minimum of four places just for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants interested in pursuing a career in Medicine should contact the Faculty Indigenous Student Support Officer for tailored application support.

**P: +61 831 37512**

**E: [askhealthsc@ask.adelaide.edu.au](mailto:askhealthsc@ask.adelaide.edu.au)**

## Yaitya Purrana Scholarship Health and Medical Scholarship

The Yaitya Purrana Health and Medical Scholarship has been established by the Faculty of Health & Medical Sciences to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students undertaking any undergraduate program in the Faculty of Health & Medical Sciences at the University of Adelaide.

Recipients will receive up to \$10,000 annually for the duration of their degree to support their study here in Adelaide.

For more information visit:

[scholarships.adelaide.edu.au/scholarship/ug/health/yaitya-purrana-health-and-medical-scholarship](https://scholarships.adelaide.edu.au/scholarship/ug/health/yaitya-purrana-health-and-medical-scholarship)

## ATSI Application process

1. You should make contact with the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences Indigenous Student Support Officer to discuss your interest in applying.
2. Submit a South Australian Tertiary Admission Centre (SATAC) application online.
3. Attend an interview: The Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences will provide financial support to travel and attend an interview here in Adelaide.

## Wirltu Yarlur Education Access Pathway

Wirltu Yarlur Aboriginal Education, administers the Aboriginal Access Scheme which offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians an alternative entry pathway to study at the University of Adelaide:

- Bachelor of Dental Surgery
- Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences
- Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced)
- Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery
- Bachelor of Nursing
- Bachelor of Oral Health
- Bachelor of Psychological Science

For more information visit:  
[adelaide.edu.au/wirltu-yarlur](https://adelaide.edu.au/wirltu-yarlur)

**E: [wirltu.yarlur@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:wirltu.yarlur@adelaide.edu.au)**

## Rural background

We are committed to improving health care in rural and remote communities by increasing the number of doctors working in these regions. A minimum of 34 places in the MBBS are reserved for students who come from a rural background. Applicants who, as of 31 December in the year prior to degree commencement, have spent at least five consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively, in an Australian Standard Geographic Classification - Remoteness Areas (ASGC-RA) RA 2-5 area, from birth are eligible to apply under the Rural Background entry pathway. The time frame is based on the location of your primary residence. For guidance on Remoteness Area locations (RA) please visit the website below and use the search tool at Remoteness Area Location (RA):

[doctorconnect.gov.au/internet/otd/Publishing.nsf/Content/locator](http://doctorconnect.gov.au/internet/otd/Publishing.nsf/Content/locator)

If you apply for the MBBS via the Rural Background entry pathway, you will need to complete a Statutory Declaration form. You must submit this form to SATAC within five working days of submitting your SATAC application.

Once the Statutory Declaration form is completed, you must submit your original form directly to SATAC either in hard copy to PO Box 2, Rundle Mall, SA 5000, or upload it as part of your SATAC application.

### Proof of rural origin

If you apply as a Rural Background applicant, you will be required to sign a statutory declaration as the only acceptable proof of your rural background. The University of Adelaide and the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences may audit students admitted under the rural pathway.

If you are audited, you will need to provide, within three weeks of our request, one or more of the following documents to confirm that you are of rural origin:

- A letter from a medical practitioner, dentist, lawyer, school principal, employer or other member of the rural community confirming that you lived in the rural area for at least five consecutive years or ten years cumulatively from birth. The letter should include your rural address or the town in which you resided, and the position and contact details of the author. Letters from family members will not be accepted.

- School reports or certificates that include your name and clearly identify the school.
- Invoices, lease agreements and other legal documents that confirm your rural address during the relevant period.

All documents should be original or certified copies of originals.

### Secondary school leaver

To be considered as a secondary school leaver, applicants are not permitted to have a tertiary academic record of study from a university. In other words, you must never have enrolled in a bachelor degree or higher level program at an Australian or overseas university.

For full details of Tertiary Entrance Rules under the SACE/NTCE refer to the 'Tertiary Entrance Booklet 2019, 2020, 2021' published by SATAC (available at [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)).

### Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT)

If you have no formal qualifications on which to base your application to a tertiary institution, you may be eligible to be considered for entry to a course by sitting the STAT. To be eligible to sit the test, you need to be over 18 as of 1 February in the year of entry to the course, and have never been enrolled in a course leading to a higher education level award.

For further information on the STAT, visit: [stat.acer.edu.au](http://stat.acer.edu.au)

To apply to take the STAT, you must select the option as part of your SATAC application to university. You will be able to pay for the test and choose your sitting time during their application.

STAT applicants are still required to sit the UMAT and gain a competitive score to be invited to an interview. The University uses your STAT result (converted to a rank) in lieu of an ATAR.

To meet the minimum academic threshold for the STAT entry pathway, you must achieve a STAT score in the top decile and must also meet the prerequisite subject requirements.

### Higher education

At least 20 places in the MBBS are reserved for students who come through the Higher Education Pathway. A minimum of 10 places from the Higher Education quota will be allocated to applicants from the Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences and Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced).

### Who is eligible?

To be considered for the Higher Education entry pathway, your only record of study must be from the University of Adelaide. You cannot have a tertiary record from any other Australian or overseas university.

**Please note:** Interview invitations do not take into account an applicant's academic record. If you have commenced or undertaken university study, you are urged to consider your eligibility before applying or accepting an interview invitation.

Due to the highly integrated curriculum in the MBBS degree at the University of Adelaide, you are not eligible to transfer into the later years of the degree or apply for advanced standing from another university's Medical degree. You will not receive any recognition for prior learning.

### Requirements

Higher Education applicants are required to sit the UMAT test and gain a competitive score to be invited to an interview. The University will use your Grade Point Average in lieu of an ATAR or IB score.

To be a Higher Education applicant, you must have studied at the University of Adelaide for a minimum of one year full-time (or part-time equivalent) and maximum of two years full-time (or part-time equivalent). You must also meet the prerequisite subject requirements.

To meet the minimum academic threshold as a Higher Education applicant:

- First year students must have between 18 and 24 units of level one study and have achieved at least a credit average (Grade Point Average [GPA] of 5.0 or more) across all subjects.
- Second year students must have between 24 and 48 units of level 1 and 2 study and have achieved at least a credit average (GPA of 5.0 or more) across all subjects.
- Third year students (having studied one or more level three subjects or with more than 48 units of study) are not eligible for entry into the MBBS degree at the University of Adelaide and should consider graduate medicine pathways.

## Places available

The MBBS degree has 134 domestic places for our annual intake. Please note that strict quotas apply to the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree that factor 28.5% of the overall domestic places being allocated a Bonded Medical Place (BMP).

## Commonwealth supported places

Domestic applicants must state their preferred Commonwealth supported place (CSP) types at the time of application to SATAC.

The Australian Government requires 28.5% of the overall CSP places must be allocated as a bonded medical place (BMP).

- 314552 Non-bonded medical place  
These places have no return of service obligations after graduation.
- 314553 Bonded Medical Place (BMP)

The BMP scheme provides a Commonwealth supported place in an Australian medical school, for which recipients are required to work in a district of workforce shortage or Modified Monash Model location 4-7 for a period of time equal to 12 months. It can be worked in blocks of no less than 12 weeks. This period can be completed between commencing internship and five years after fellowship is achieved.

For more detailed information, contact:

Telephone: 1800 987 104 (free call)

Email: [BMPscheme@health.gov.au](mailto:BMPscheme@health.gov.au)

Web: [health.gov.au/bmpscheme](http://health.gov.au/bmpscheme)

### BMP eligibility criteria example

The BMP Scheme is open to Australian citizens, permanent residents of Australia and New Zealand citizens who held a New Zealand Special Category Visa on or before 26 February 2001.

The University of Adelaide cannot make any assumptions about an applicant's eligibility or willingness to enter into the BMP agreement before making an offer of a bonded medical place in the MBBS degree.

### More information

For further information about structuring your preferences, visit the Future Student Knowledge Base, My Adelaide, at: [future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/2675/kw/bonded](http://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/2675/kw/bonded)



# DOMESTIC KEY DATES

DATE	ACTIVITY
Early December 2017	UMAT registration opens
Friday 1 June 2018 (5.00 pm AEST)	UMAT registration closes
Wednesday 25 July 2018	Sit the UMAT
Monday 6 August 2018	SATAC applications open
Friday 28 September 2018	SATAC applications close for the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree
Monday 29 October 2018	Interviews invitations sent
Late November to December 2018	Interviews held
SATAC will release offers from December 2018. For the set dates please visit <a href="http://satac.edu.au/undergraduate">satac.edu.au/undergraduate</a>	

For key university dates, please visit: [adelaide.edu.au/student/dates/critical](http://adelaide.edu.au/student/dates/critical)

## DOMESTIC CONTACTS



### Who to contact with any questions

The Future Students Team's friendly and skilled staff can address all degree enquiries over the phone or online. If they do not have the answer, enquirers will be referred to faculty/school/discipline staff for expert advice.

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T: (08) 8313 7335

Free-call (outer Adelaide, SA and interstate only): 1800 061 459

Enquire online:

[www.future.ask.adelaide.edu.au](http://www.future.ask.adelaide.edu.au)

#### SATAC

W: [satac.edu.au](http://satac.edu.au)

T: (08) 8224 4000

T: 1300 138 440 (local call cost)

#### UMAT office at ACER

T: (03) 8508 7643

International: +61 3 8508 7643

E: [umat@acer.edu.au](mailto:umat@acer.edu.au)

W: [acer.edu.au](http://acer.edu.au)

#### Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences

E: [askhealthsc@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:askhealthsc@adelaide.edu.au)

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The University of Adelaide  
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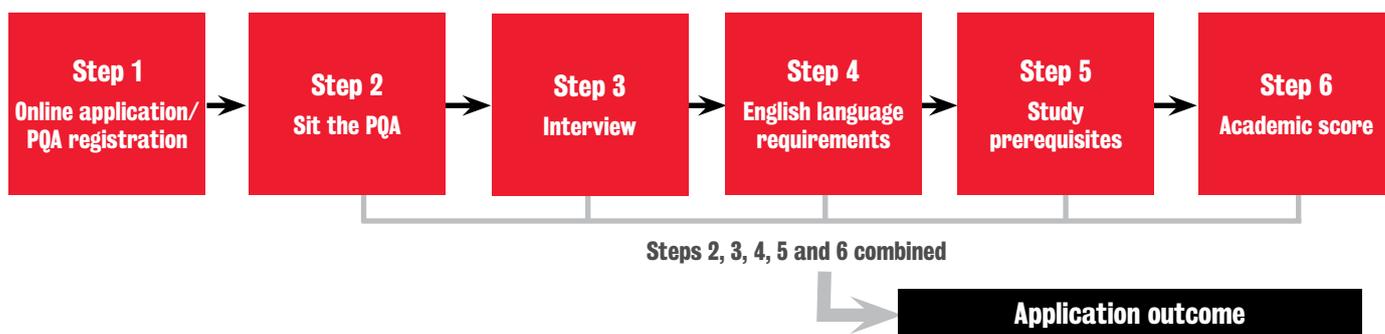
Invitations to interviews are sent out from [admissions@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:admissions@adelaide.edu.au)

All other official communication will be sent from [fhsadmissions@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:fhsadmissions@adelaide.edu.au)

We suggest that you add these addresses to your email account contact list to ensure you receive all communications from us.

# INTERNATIONAL ENTRY OVERVIEW

## Application process



### Ranking for offer

If you are an international applicant, you will be ranked in consideration for an offer based on your performance in the three components of the admissions process:

- Interview results: first ranking level
- PQA results: second ranking level
- Academic results: meets required threshold and final ranking level (to separate applicants with equal summed Interview and PQA scores).

Please note: feedback on your performance and overall ranking will not be released by the University. Information regarding applicants and their applications is confidential and will not be released to an advocate of the applicant, whether family or friends. No appeals on behalf of an applicant will be considered. Personal statements, testimonials, character/school/work references, awards and certificates do not make up any of the selection components and will not be considered. Please do not submit these documents to the University.

### Step 1. Online application

All international applicants must submit a formal application online. To submit an application, visit: [international.adelaide.edu.au/apply](http://international.adelaide.edu.au/apply) and select Apply.

The online application also serves as the registration to sit the Personal Qualities Assessment (PQA), and you will be prompted to select a relevant PQA venue on the application system.

Applications must be submitted prior to 11:59pm (ACST time) Saturday 30 June, 2018. Even if you have not yet completed your current qualification, you will still be required to apply by this date.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Please note: In addition to this application, if you are studying for an Australian Year 12 qualification or for the International Baccalaureate (IB) in Australia, you must also apply directly to SATAC before the 28 September closing date in order for SATAC to access your academic results.

### Step 2. Personal Qualities Assessment (PQA)

The Personal Qualities Assessment (PQA) is an instrument designed to assess a range of personal qualities considered to be important for the study and practise of medicine, dentistry and other health professions.

Please refer to the Personal Qualities Assessment website [pqa.net.au](http://pqa.net.au) for further information regarding the contents of the test.

PQA results form part of the selection into the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) degree and remain the property of the University of Adelaide's Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences.

PQA results can only be used for one admissions cycle. Results from the PQA will determine whether or not you receive an invitation to an interview.

If your PQA result does not rank you highly enough for an invitation to an interview, any requests for special consideration for an interview will be declined.

### PQA fees

The fee to sit the PQA is AUD \$500.00. Payment must be submitted to complete a valid registration prior to 11:59pm (ACST time) on Saturday 30 June 2018. You will be refused entry to sit the PQA test if payment has not been received correctly. Payment is made via credit card. Late payments are not accepted.

### Test dates and locations

The faculty will be offering the PQA in the following locations:

- Hong Kong - Wednesday 1 August 2018
- Malaysia - Wednesday 1 August 2018
- Adelaide - Thursday 2 August 2018
- Toronto - Thursday 2 August 2018
- Singapore - Friday 3 August 2018

Please note: only results from tests taken on these dates at these locations will be considered by the University.

For further information about the PQA, visit the Future Student Knowledge Base, My Adelaide: [future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/2376/kw/pqa](http://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/2376/kw/pqa)

### Step 3. Interviews

There will be one round of interviews for the MBBS degree held from late September to early October 2018. Only applicants who attend an interview will be eligible for an offer in the MBBS degree.

There is one round of interviews for the MBBS degree. Only those who attend an interview will remain in consideration for an offer into the degree.

#### Selection for interviews

Invitations for an interview will be based on your performance in the PQA. On Thursday the 30th of August, all applicants will receive an email from the University of Adelaide to the email address provided in their application. This email will contain important information on how to log into the Admissions@Adelaide system to see if you have been invited to attend an interview or not. The University cannot be held responsible if an applicant's email set-up filters the University's email into a SPAM, Junk or other such folder – all applicants are advised to check their email settings.

#### Booking an interview

All eligible applicants will be able to book an interview via a link in Admissions@Adelaide system. Upon proceeding to book an interview, applicants will be sent log in details to the email address provided in their SATAC application. Log in details are sent per degree, and specific log in details and booking calendar links will be sent for each program preference, where an applicant is eligible for an interview for multiple degrees e.g. Medicine and Dentistry.

Applicants will be able to select an interview time from a limited number of sessions on a first come, first served basis. During this time you can cancel and reschedule. A link back to the applicable calendar may be found by logging back in to Admissions @ Adelaide, or by referring to the email containing the log in details.

Once an interview session time has been filled or the booking calendars have been closed to changes, requests to schedule into it due to (but not limited to) school commitments, travel plans or conflicting interviews times with other universities will be declined.

#### Can interviews be rescheduled once the booking system has closed?

Once bookings have closed, an interview cannot be rescheduled except in cases of extreme medical/compassionate circumstances. A request to reschedule under these circumstances must be submitted in writing to the Faculty Admissions Coordinator (with supporting documentation) for consideration within five days of the original interview. Please submit

all rescheduling requests to:  
[admissions@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:admissions@adelaide.edu.au)

Please note, an interview will not be rescheduled for reasons such as (but not limited to): transportation problems or delayed/cancelled flights for those travelling from interstate and overseas. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are available during the nominated times as interviews will not be conducted outside these dates. Requests for interviews outside of the nominated times will be declined.

#### Where will interviews be held?

Interviews will only be conducted in the following locations:

- Adelaide—interviews conducted face-to-face only
- Toronto, Canada—interviews conducted via video conferencing
- Singapore—interviews conducted via video conferencing

Please note: Skype, MSN and Yahoo Chat requests will not be accepted.

#### Interview criteria

The interview comprises of a series of scenarios and questions and provides an opportunity for you to demonstrate your personal qualities.

The interview will assess skills and qualities considered important for undertaking the degree and for use in future professional practice, and which are widely accepted by the community, including:

- Motivation and self-awareness
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Attention to detail and professional behaviour
- Interpersonal and communication skills
- Prioritising and conscientiousness
- Aptitude for group learning and teamwork
- Compatibility and understanding of the degree and applicable health profession.

#### Preparing for the interview

You are encouraged to prepare for the interview, but are discouraged from reciting rehearsed responses. Attempts at rehearsing for the interview often trigger 'rehearsed' replies rather than 'natural' responses, which can lessen your overall performance. The interviews are reviewed after each cycle and the content and conduct of interviews may change from one year to the next. The University of Adelaide does not endorse any commercially available preparation courses.

#### Interview structure

The interview will be up to 20 minutes in length and will be conducted by an experienced interviewer.

All interviewers are volunteers who have completed a University of Adelaide training program. They are recruited from the following groups:

- academic, clinical academic, and professional staff of the University of Adelaide
- graduates from the MBBS degree
- people drawn from the wider community.

You will be given the first name of the interviewer. The only information the interviewer will have about you is your first name and application number, for reference purposes.

## Step 4. English language requirements

The IELTS (International English Language Testing System) Academic Test is the preferred English language proficiency qualification, but the University may accept other evidence of proficiency in English in individual cases.

IELTS (ACADEMIC) MINIMUM SCORES	TOEFL MINIMUM SCORES	PEARSON TEST OF ENGLISH (ACADEMIC) MINIMUM SCORES	CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH: ADVANCED (CAE) MINIMUM SCORES
Overall band score of 7.0 AND Band score of 7.0 in all bands	Paper-based: total score of 600 with a minimum of 5.0 in the Test of Written English (TWE) OR Internet-based: total score of 94 with a minimum of 27 in writing, 23 in speaking and 24 in reading and listening	Overall score of 65 AND Skills profile of 65 in writing, speaking, reading and listening	Overall score 185 AND Individual score of 185 in writing, speaking, reading and listening

International students undertaking an **Australian Year 12 program** will meet the English language proficiency requirements with a passing grade or above in a recognised English as a Second Language or an English Language subject, as a part of the successful completion of their Year 12 qualification.

International students who are not required to undertake an English subject to successfully complete their Australian Year 12 qualification (or those who successfully complete their Year 12 qualification but do not pass their English subject), can meet the English language proficiency requirements by achieving or exceeding the minimum score in an IELTS or another accepted English language test.

Successful completion of the International Baccalaureate Diploma meets the English language requirements of the University of Adelaide.

## Step 5. Prerequisite subjects

One subject in Chemistry or Mathematics or Biology. Prerequisite subjects are applicable to all MBBS entry pathways.

## Step 6. Academic score

Students who don't meet the academic requirements or who have other qualifications from the South Pacific Islands, Japan, Korea, Phillipines or Taiwan may be eligible to apply for a Pre-University Pathway to prepare for or gain entry into the University's undergraduate academic programs. For additional information visit:

[international.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/how-to-apply/admission-requirements](http://international.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/how-to-apply/admission-requirements)

### Places available

The Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery has 30 commencing international places.

International ATAR	90
University of Adelaide Grade Point Average	5
International Baccalaureate (IB)	33
Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)	22
United Entrance Certificate (UEC) [Malaysia]	5
General Certificate of Education (GCE) Advanced Level	12
Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) 85	85
ISC & CBSE [India]	90%
ISBE [India]	95%
SAT [US]	1410
Abitur	2.3
Thailand Certificate of Secondary Education	3.5
Bang Tot Nghiep Trung Hoc Pho Thong	9.0
STPM or Matrikulasi	3.33
The University of Adelaide College Foundation Program	83
Eynesbury Foundation Program	412

## Step 7. International offers

The University of Adelaide's Student Recruitment and Admissions Services Office will make offers from late October to early February on a rolling basis until all places in the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) degree are filled.

Please note: for applicants applying through an Agent your offer will be forwarded to the agent's email address submitted in your application.

### How to accept?

To accept your offer, you must return the required acceptance payment and documents before the acceptance closing dates specified in your offer letter.

### Does the university accept forecast results?

The University of Adelaide will issue conditional offers based on forecast results for International applicants.

### International students studying in Australia

All international applicants must submit a formal application online. Visit: [international.adelaide.edu.au/apply](http://international.adelaide.edu.au/apply) and select Apply.

The online application also serves as the registration to sit the PQA and you will be prompted to select a PQA test venue. Your application and payment must be submitted prior to the 30 June 2018 deadline. Even if you have not yet completed your current qualification, you will still be required to apply by this date.

## Immigration status

Please see page 5.

# INTERNATIONAL KEY DATES

DATE	ACTIVITY
Early February 2018	Application portal opens
Saturday 30 June 2018	Application portal closes
Wednesday 1 August 2018	Hong Kong PQA Test
Wednesday 1 August 2018	Kuala Lumpur [Malaysia] PQA Test
Thursday 2 August 2018	Adelaide [Australia] PQA Test
Thursday 2 August 2018	Toronto [Canada] PQA Test
Friday 3 August 2018	Singapore PQA Test
Thursday 30 August 2018	Interview invitations sent
Late September to early October 2018	Interviews held
October 2018 - February 2019	International offers will be made throughout this period

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**Enquire online: [www.futureask.adelaide.edu.au](http://www.futureask.adelaide.edu.au)**

#### Student Recruitment and Admissions Services

Call us +61 8 8313 4072

#### Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences

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Invitations to interviews are sent out from [admissions@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:admissions@adelaide.edu.au). All other official communication will be sent from [fhsadmissions@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:fhsadmissions@adelaide.edu.au).

We suggest that you add these addresses to your email account contact list to ensure you receive all communications from us.

# ALTERNATIVE STUDY

As entry into the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery is highly competitive, applicants who are strongly motivated towards a career in the health field may also wish to consider applying for other health related undergraduate degrees offered by the University of Adelaide.

## **Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences**

The Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences is a diverse and flexible degree that prepares students to tackle the major health issues facing the world today. With a unique selection of courses that draw from all the health sciences disciplines, the degree is ideal for students who are fascinated by the human body and who wish to develop a broad range of relevant, transferable and highly sought-after skills suited to a variety of careers in health.

Developed in consultation with industry partners, this innovative degree offers flexible online and part-time study options.

A year-long research placement provides practical hands-on experience, and overseas study opportunities are available to increase understanding of global health issues.

Students of the Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences and the Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced) have the flexibility to select one of seven different majors spread across two different streams: Medical Health and Lifespan Health.

Medical Health majors:

- Clinical Trials
- Medical Sciences
- Neurosciences

Lifespan Health majors:

- Addiction and Mental Health
- Nutritional Health
- Public Health
- Reproductive and Childhood Health.

## **Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced)**

For students who want to lead the way on health issues, the Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced) is an innovative degree with a global health focus that prepares them to improve the health of individuals and populations.

With an emphasis on innovation, entrepreneurship, and hands-on clinical and research skills, the degree offers a strong foundation in a wide range of health related areas and provides graduates with the knowledge and leadership skills suited to a variety of health related careers.

Students are taught by award-winning academics to develop clinical skills with a medical focus. A unique course in Hacking Health offers the chance to explore solutions to frontline health care problems.

With a choice of seven majors, as well as flexible online and part-time learning options, students can shape their studies to match their interests, career aspirations and lifestyle.

A year-long research placement provides the opportunity to gain practical experience and build professional networks, and overseas study is available to help students gain a global perspective of health issues.



**“ I WAS FASCINATED BY HEALTH AND THE HUMAN BODY, BUT UNSURE OF WHICH FIELD OR OCCUPATION TO PURSUE. STUDYING THIS DEGREE HAS BEEN AN ENRICHING AND EXCITING EXPERIENCE AND HAS PROVIDED ME OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE DIFFERENT AREAS WITHIN HEALTH.”**

Maddison Sims  
*Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced)*

## FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

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