



Admission to Coursework Procedure – Schedule 3 (2025)

Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours)

Definition

Rural Australia means a remoteness area in categories MM 2 to MM 7 in accordance with the [Modified Monash Model](#).

Rural background sub-quota means the number of places within the quota for this program that are allocated for domestic applicants in the rural admission scheme.

Admission requirements

1. Applicants must have completed Queensland Year 12 English and Chemistry (or equivalent) with an adjusted ATAR of 99.00 (or equivalent) and a [University Clinical Aptitude Test Australia and New Zealand](#) (UCAT ANZ) score obtained in the year of application.
2. **For the rural background sub-quota** applicants must have—
 - a. a minimum ATAR/rank as determined by the Executive Dean; and
 - b. supporting documentation to demonstrate residence in rural Australia of at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively.

3. **Alternative entry**

The Executive Dean may permit direct entry to the program for students from target equity groups through an approved [admission scheme](#).

Selection

1. **Domestic applicants** will be ranked in merit order using the aggregate score from all four sections of the UCAT ANZ. The UCAT ANZ Section 4 score will be used as a secondary differentiator between applicants with the same UCAT ANZ aggregate score. The UCAT ANZ Section 1 score will be used as a further differentiator if required.
2. **International applicants** will be ranked in merit order using the aggregate score from all four sections of the UCAT ANZ. The UCAT ANZ Section 4 score will be used as a secondary differentiator between applicants with the same UCAT ANZ aggregate score. The UCAT ANZ Section 1 score will be used as a further differentiator if required.



Doctor of Medicine (MD)

1. Definitions

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicant refers to an applicant of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background who applies for direct entry through the UQ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.

Domestic applicant refers to an applicant who is—

- an Australian citizen or dual citizen of Australia, or
- a New Zealand citizen, or
- the holder of a permanent visa for Australia or a humanitarian visa.

First degree means the bachelor's degree program at the University, selected by a provisional-entry applicant, who is made a provisional offer to the MD.

GAMSAT means the [Graduate Medical School Admissions Test](#), administered by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER).

Graduate-entry applicant means an applicant who has completed a key degree.

Key degree means the most recently completed bachelor's degree, or the most recently completed honours, postgraduate diploma, master's or doctoral degree after completion of a bachelor's degree, awarded by an accredited Australian institution or overseas equivalent. If an applicant's key degree was completed more than 10 years prior to the proposed commencement date, it will not be accepted for admission unless the applicant has completed at least half a full-time equivalent year of subsequent coursework study (at bachelor level or higher) with a GPA ≥ 5.00 in the 10 years preceding the proposed commencement date.

MCAT means the [Medical College Admission Test](#), developed and administered by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Medical Pathway (DD-SW MP) applicant refers to a domestic applicant who is applying to undertake the MD in the Darling Downs – South West (DD-SW) region for the duration of the program.¹

Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) means the interview process with multiple stations that is designed to assess an applicant's verbal communication skills, values, personal qualities and interest in undertaking a long-term medical career.

Provisional-entry applicant refers to an applicant in their final year of secondary school (Queensland Year 12 or equivalent).

Queensland Year 12 student means a student who is completing their final year of secondary school at a registered Queensland secondary school or college, or through home education or distance education registered with the Queensland Department of Education.

Regional Medical Pathway (CQ-WB RMP) applicant refers to a domestic applicant who is applying to undertake the MD in the Central Queensland – Wide Bay (CQ-WB) region for the duration of the program.²

Rural Australia means a remoteness area in categories MM 2 to MM 7 in accordance with the [Modified Monash Model](#).

Rural background sub-quota means the number of places within the quota for this program that are allocated for domestic applicants in the rural admission scheme.

¹ Students commencing in 2024 and 2025 will complete the first year of the MD in Brisbane and the remainder of the program in the DD-SW region.

² Students commencing in 2023 and 2024 will complete the first year of the MD in Brisbane and the remainder of the program in the CQ-WB region.



Tier order means an ordered system to categorise applicants based on their rural background for the purpose of student selection in the DD-SW Medical Pathway and CQ-WB Regional Medical Pathway.

- (a) **Tier 1** – Applicants who have resided in an approved local government area within a nominated region for at least five consecutive years or ten cumulative years.
- (b) **Tier 2** – Applicants who have resided in any other rural or regional locality (MM 2 to MM 7) for at least five consecutive years or ten cumulative years.
- (c) **Tier 3** – Any other applicants who wish to be considered.

UCAT ANZ means the [University Clinical Aptitude Test Australia and New Zealand](#), an admissions test used by the UCAT ANZ Consortium of universities in Australia and New Zealand to assess a range of abilities identified as important to practice medicine.

Unweighted average GAMSAT score refers to the total of the three section scores with equal weighting applied to all three sections.

UQ-Onshore international applicant refers to an applicant who is not a domestic applicant or UQ-Ochsner applicant.

UQ-Ochsner applicant refers to an applicant who is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States of America applying for the UQ-Ochsner program.

2. Provisional Entry (School leavers)

2.1. Admission requirements

2.1.1 First degree

1. For a provisional offer of a place, domestic and UQ-Onshore international applicants must, in the year of application, complete—
 - a. Their first attempt at Queensland Year 12 (or equivalent) with an adjusted ATAR of 95 (or equivalent); and
 - b. The UCAT ANZ; and
 - c. The MMI.
2. For the rural background sub-quota, domestic applicants must submit an application with supporting documentation to demonstrate residence in rural Australia of at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively.
3. For a provisional offer of a place, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants must—
 - a. complete Queensland Year 12 (or equivalent); and
 - b. provide confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of a community organisation; and
 - c. participate in the MMI in the year of application; and
 - d. attend a semi-structured interview with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.

2.1.2 Doctor of Medicine

1. For confirmation of a provisional offer/enrolment in the Doctor of Medicine, domestic and UQ-Onshore international applicants must—
 - a. gain admission to their first degree in the year for which the provisional offer is made; and
 - b. complete the first degree in the minimum time required for that degree; and
 - c. attain a GPA of 5.00 in all study at UQ up to completion of the first degree.
2. For confirmation of a provisional offer/enrolment in the Doctor of Medicine, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants must complete the first degree.



2.2. Selection

2.2.1 Selection for Multiple Mini Interview

1. Domestic and UQ-Onshore international applicants—
 - a. Invitation to MMI will be based on the ranking of the aggregate score from the first three sections of UCAT ANZ.
 - b. A minimum 50% of domestic applicants invited to interview will be Queensland Year 12 students.
 - c. Applicants who attain the minimum ATAR (or equivalent) but were not invited to the main round of MMIs based on their UCAT ANZ aggregate score, may be considered in a subsequent MMI round.
 - d. The UCAT ANZ Section 4 score will be used as a secondary differentiator if applicants have the same UCAT ANZ aggregate score.
 - e. The UCAT ANZ Section 1 score will be used as a further differentiator if applicants have the same score in Section 4.
2. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants will be invited to MMI based on the recommendation of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.

2.2.2 Selection for offer of a place

1. All applicants will be required to obtain a minimum MMI score as set by the Executive Dean.
2. Domestic and UQ-Onshore international applicants will be ranked in merit order using their 'final score' which comprises ATAR (25%), aggregate score from the first three sections of the UCAT ANZ (25%) and MMI score (50%). The MMI score will be used as a secondary differentiator if applicants have the same 'final score'.
3. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants will be selected based on the recommendation of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.
4. The University reserves the right to determine an applicant's suitability for ranking based on relevant information including, but not limited to, UCAT ANZ, ATAR/GPA and MMI performance.

2.3. Deferral

1. Entry to the first-degree program may be deferred for one year in accordance with the [Undergraduate, Doctor of Medicine, Non-Award, and CSP Admissions Procedure](#), section 8.
2. International applicants may be permitted to defer commencement for up to two years to fulfil their National Service Obligations in their home country.
3. All applicants completing an international Year 12 qualification deemed equivalent to Queensland Year 12 may be considered for deferral for one year if their final results are unable to be confirmed by late January of the year following application.

2.4. Retaining a place

A student may apply to the Associate Dean (Academic) to retain their place in the Doctor of Medicine program—

1. If they fail to, or are not expected to, complete their first degree in the minimum time required for that degree, providing they can demonstrate the existence of exceptional circumstances.
2. Following completion of the first degree, and providing all other progression requirements (e.g., GPA and completion rate) are met, for a period of—
 - a. One year to complete a one-year research program at UQ (honours year or research master's) related to the first degree; or
 - b. One year to complete non-degree requirements to obtain professional registration related to the first degree; or
 - c. Three years to complete a PhD at UQ. If a period less than three years is requested, the student must demonstrate that they will have reached the Thesis Review Milestone prior to commencing Year 1 of the MD program; or
 - d. Four years to complete 2.4(2)(a) and 2.4(2)(c).



3. A student who has been approved to retain their place under 2.4(2) will forfeit their place in the MD program if they fail to fulfil the relevant requirements in 2.4(2).

3. Graduate Entry

3.1. Admission requirements

3.1.1 *Domestic, UQ-Ochsner and UQ-Onshore international applicants*

To be considered for an offer of a place, domestic and international applicants must—

1. Hold or, at the time of application, be completing a key degree.
2. Have attained a GPA of ≥ 5.00 (on a scale of 0–7.00) in the key degree.
3. Have completed an admissions test:
 - a. Domestic applicants must have attained the minimum GAMSAT score in each section, as determined by the Executive Dean, gained in the approved testing window preceding the year of commencement
 - b. UQ-Onshore international applicants must have—
 - (i) attained the minimum MCAT score, as determined by the Executive Dean, in the four years preceding the year of commencement; or
 - (ii) attained the minimum GAMSAT score in each section, as determined by the Executive Dean, gained in the approved testing window preceding the year of commencement
 - c. UQ-Ochsner applicants must have attained the minimum MCAT score, as determined by the Executive Dean, gained in the four years preceding the year of commencement.
4. Have completed an MMI in the year of application.

3.1.2 *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admissions pathway applicants*

To be considered for an offer of a place, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission pathway applicants must have—

1. Completed a key degree.
2. Confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of a community organisation.
3. Participated in the MMI in the year of application.
4. Attended a semi-structured interview with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.

3.1.3 *Rural background sub-quota applicants*

1. To be considered for an offer of a place, rural background sub-quota applicants must submit an application with supporting documentation to demonstrate residence in rural Australia of at least 10 years cumulatively or any 5 years consecutively.

3.1.4 *Rural background sub-quota (CQ-WB RMP and DD-SW MP) applicants*

1. To be considered for an offer of a place, CQ-WB Regional Medical Pathway and DD-SW Medical Pathway applicants must select the pathway (CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP), nominate the tier applicable to them and preference their location for study.

3.1.5 *Grade Point Average (GPA)*

1. The key degree GPA will be calculated as follows:
 - a. all courses studied by the applicant while enrolled in the key degree will be included in the calculation, whether or not the courses counted towards the award of the key degree; and
 - b. where the key degree was completed as part of a dual program, all courses studied towards both degrees will be included in the calculation; and



- c. a course completed before enrolling in the key degree and credited towards the key degree, will be included in the calculation of the GPA; and
 - d. to satisfy 3.1.5(1)(c), the applicant's grade for the course will be used or, if ungraded, the applicant's GPA for the program in which the applicant was enrolled when undertaking the course, will be used as the grade for the course.
2. If an applicant's key degree is—
 - a. An honours degree awarded with class I, IIA, IIB or III, the applicant will be deemed to have a GPA of 7.00, 6.00, 5.00 and 4.00 respectively.
 - b. An AQF Level 10 research master's or doctoral degree, the applicant will be deemed to have a GPA of 7.00.
 3. If the applicant's GPA for the key degree cannot be calculated, the Executive Dean may determine an equivalent score.
 4. If the key degree is expected to be completed in the year of application, the applicant will be ranked for MMI without the final semester results but will be required to attain a GPA of ≥ 5.00 (on a scale of 0–7.00) upon completion of the key degree.
 5. In exceptional circumstances where a student articulating from a partner pathways institution is marginally below GPA threshold using home institution grading scale, the Academic Registrar may approve recalculation of the GPA using UQ's GPA methodology, subject to:
 - a. documented evidence of extenuating circumstances (e.g. medical or compassionate grounds)
 - b. the applicant meeting the GPA threshold when recalculated using UQ's methodology.

3.2. Alternative entry

1. The Executive Dean may permit direct entry to the program for students who have completed the first two years—
 - a. of a postgraduate medical program elsewhere in Australia and attained a GPA (on a scale of 0–7.00) above the annual threshold set by the Executive Dean. If the GPA cannot be calculated, the Executive Dean may determine an equivalent score.
 - b. of the medical program at this university as a fee-paying domestic student who has become eligible for a Commonwealth Supported Place. Places are limited and will be awarded based on merit.

3.3. Selection

3.3.1 Selection for Multiple Mini Interview

1. Domestic applicants—
 - a. Invitation to MMI will be based on ranking, using a combined score from the unweighted average GAMSAT score (50%) and GPA (50%).
 - b. The GPA from the key degree will be used as a secondary differentiator if applicants have the same combined score.
 - c. For CQ-WB Regional Medical Pathway and the DD-SW Medical Pathway applicants, to the extent possible, an equal number of applicants will be invited to MMI based on Tier order and 3.3.1(1)(a).
2. UQ-Ochsner and UQ-Onshore international applicants—
 - a. Invitation to MMI will be based on ranking, using a combined score from the MCAT or unweighted average GAMSAT score (50%) and GPA (50%).
 - b. The GPA from the key degree will be used as a secondary differentiator if applicants have the same combined score.
3. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants will be invited to MMI based on the recommendation of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.



3.3.2 Selection for offer of a place

1. All applicants will be required to obtain a minimum MMI score as set by the Executive Dean.
2. Domestic, UQ-Ochsner and UQ-Onshore international applicants—
 - a. will be ranked in merit order based on their final score which comprises GPA (25%), unweighted average GAMSAT score or overall MCAT score (25%) and MMI score (50%).
 - b. the MMI score will be used as a secondary differentiator where applicants have the same 'final score'.
 - c. CQ-WB Regional Medical Pathway and DD-SW Medical Pathway place offers are made in merit order, based on 3.3.2(2)(a) and Tier order (1 – 3).
3. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway applicants will be selected based on the recommendation of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.
4. Alternative entry applicants transferring from another university or from a fee-paying place to an unencumbered place at this university, will be selected based on their GPA or academic standing in the MD.
5. The University reserves the right to determine an applicant's suitability for ranking based on relevant information including, but not limited to, GAMSAT, MCAT, GPA and MMI performance.

3.4. Deferment

1. An applicant in the final year of a bachelor's degree may request to defer their commencement in the MD program, for a period of—
 - a. One year to complete a one-year research program at UQ (honours year or research masters) related to the bachelor's degree; or
 - b. One year to complete non-degree requirements to obtain professional registration related to the applicant's current bachelor's degree; or
 - c. Three years to complete a PhD at UQ. If a period less than three years is requested, the student must demonstrate that they will have reached the Thesis Review Milestone prior to commencing Year 1 of the MD program; or
 - d. Four years to complete 3.4(1)(a) and 3.4(1)(c).
2. An applicant who has been approved to defer their place under 3.4(1) will forfeit their place in the MD program if they fail to fulfil the relevant requirements in 3.4(1).