



School of Medicine

Admissions Policy for Undergraduate Programmes in Medicine

Entry 2021

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Aims and governance

The School of Medicine aims to admit students with the qualities, abilities and attributes that can benefit from our medical programme and **“to attract, train and retain the best students and staff, producing graduates who understand the needs of individuals and the community in which they live”**.

This requires that the process of student selection is objective, transparent, open, fair and free from discrimination of any kind. The selection process is bound by the University’s policy on Equality and Diversity: <https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/public-information/equality-and-diversity>

We aim to ensure equality of opportunity for all individuals whose applications are considered in accordance with the Medical Schools Council *Statement on the core values and attributes needed to study medicine* <https://www.medschools.ac.uk/media/2542/statement-on-core-values-to-study-medicine.pdf>

We actively encourage applications from people of diverse backgrounds and use contextual data to help to do this. Applicants from Wales are encouraged as they are under-represented in applications for medicine in the UK.

In addition, applicants with a disability are welcome and should consult the General Medical Council’s *Gateways to the Professions* <https://www.gmc-uk.org/>.

Selection for a medical school implies selection for the medical profession and applicants should be aware of the duties of a medical student as outlined by the GMC in the guidance documents *Medical Students: Professional Behaviour and Fitness to Practise* and *Good Medical Practice* (<https://www.gmc-uk.org/>).

The Admissions process is overseen by the Director of Admissions and an Admissions Group, which consists of Medical School academic staff under the governance of the University. This Group advises on policy and individual cases. An Admissions Administrative Team who work alongside the Admissions Group can be contacted at medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

The courses

A100 5-year course

This is for applicants with three A-levels or equivalent qualifications including Chemistry and Biology. Students undertaking the 5-year course may wish to consider taking an *additional year* to complete an intercalated degree.

A104 6-year Preliminary course

This is designed for applicants who have demonstrated a high academic potential, but do not have the depth of subject/science specialism required for entry into the A100 Programme. This could be a route into Medicine for applicants without sciences at A-level or who are offering only one of Biology and Chemistry with at least two other subjects.

A104 is not intended for applicants who have taken sciences at GCE A-Level, but who failed to achieve the grades required for entry into the A100 course.

The A104 programme has a modular structure in which students study modules over one preliminary year, and, subject to satisfactory assessment, directly enter the A100 course the following year. Students undertaking the 6-year course may also wish to consider taking an *additional year* to complete an intercalated degree.

A101/A102 Graduate Entry to Medicine (GEM) 4-year course

This is **only** available to applicants enrolled on one of the following four Feeder Stream programmes: (other graduates can apply for either the 5-year A100 or A104 6-year Preliminary course)

- BSc (Hons) Medical Pharmacology degree, School of Medicine, Cardiff University (B210)
- BSc (Hons) Biomedical Sciences degree, School of Biosciences, Cardiff University (BC97)
- BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences degree, from the University of South Wales (B901)
- BMedSci (Hons) Medical Sciences degree from the University of Bangor (B100)

There is provision for students from each feeder stream (see above) to enter the second year of the five-year A100 Medical programme in Cardiff (A101). In addition, students from the feeder streams can apply to study their medical degree in North Wales (A102). Students on both courses will graduate with a Cardiff University degree.

Details of all the programmes are found in the Undergraduate Prospectus

<http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/for/prospective/ug/prospectus>

Entry requirements

All applicants must have grade 6/B GCSE (or equivalent qualification) in Mathematics, English Language, and Double Award Science (6,6 or B/B) or Chemistry and Biology. Applicants (unless they have a degree) receive a score based on the four subjects above and the five best other GCSE (or equivalent level) results. No results below 6/B are scored.

Applicants who have already achieved their A-levels receive additional credit for these.

Welsh-domiciled applicants are under-represented in applications to UK medical schools; additional consideration will be given to their applications.

Unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to reapply, providing they meet the minimum entry criteria for the year they wish to apply.

For A100 applicants must offer three A-levels (or equivalent) including Biology, Chemistry and a third subject (see Appendix). For A104 applicants may offer three A-level subjects, one of which may be Biology or Chemistry but not both (see Appendix).

All **undergraduate** applicants, (and graduate applicants applying to A104) are required to take the University Clinical Aptitude Test (**UCAT**) **during July to October of the year of application**. Test results obtained in previous years are not accepted. The UCAT score may be used as part of the assessment procedure.

Applicants applying in 2020 may be asked to participate in a trial of a new online situational judgement test (CASPer). Should we pilot it, we may ask applicants to complete the test. There will be no cost to the applicant and the test result will not contribute to the decisions in the application cycle. Further information can be found at: www.takecasper.com

UCAS applications

All applicants must complete all sections of the UCAS form and should include information supporting their suitability for a medical course in their personal statement. The personal statement should include insight into a career in medicine, evidence of experience and reflection in a caring environment, evidence and reflection of personal responsibility, evidence of a balanced approach to life, evidence of self-directed learning.

All applicants must be age 18 or over by 20th September of the year of entry to the course, as students are in a clinical environment from Year 1.

Applicants who wish to be considered for a deferred entry must state this on their UCAS form by indicating the year of admission. Applicants can only defer for 12 months. Applicants who request a deferral after accepting an offer from the School of Medicine will be considered by the Admissions Group on a case-by-case basis.

Extenuating Circumstances

Prior to submitting a UCAS application

Should you think that something has significantly impacted upon your academic performance, you may submit extenuating circumstances which *must be provided before the point of application*. For extenuating circumstances to be considered we must receive a completed 'Extenuating Circumstances form' with supporting evidence (a letter from a medical professional if health related, or a letter from faculty at current school) before the end of September 2020. This form can be found on the website at <http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applying/admissions-criteria/medicine/medicine> or can be requested via email to medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

Performance at A-level or equivalent

Applicants who have failed to achieve AAA (or equivalent qualification) at first attempt will not usually be considered. AS results, where taken as part of a two-year A-level course, are not taken into consideration for selection for interview. We will consider applications where modules have been re-sat in either AS level or A-level, on the understanding that they are completed within the standard two-year A-level period. Re-sits for applicants who have previously applied to medicine at Cardiff, whose A-levels have been completed and the grades awarded will only be considered in exceptional circumstances. Those whose underachievement was due to extenuating circumstances, and have previously applied to study Medicine at Cardiff, should complete an extenuating circumstances form <http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applying/admissions-criteria/medicine/medicine>. This must be submitted before 1st September 2020. Individuals will be informed whether their circumstances will allow consideration, and if subsequently successful at interview, will usually be given a **conditional** offer.

Applications where additional Level 3 Qualifications are undertaken post A-level will not be considered unless there are extenuating circumstances and an agreement is in place with the Admissions Group.

International applicants

The School welcomes UCAS applications from international students. Applicants offering qualifications other than A-level or International Baccalaureate should contact the Admissions team medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk and provide full details of their qualifications to obtain advice before making an application.

All international applicants must have an acceptable **English language** qualification

<http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/international/english-language-requirements/undergraduate>

If the qualification is pending, it will form part of an offer. Re-sits for English language qualification may be accepted but must be achieved prior to confirmation of an offer.

All places on courses A100, A101, A102, A104 are conditional on success at interview. This policy includes international applicants who should be prepared to attend for interview at Cardiff University. Cardiff University does not reimburse travel expenses for any applicant. All applicants with a fees status of overseas are sent a survey during the applications process to confirm funding arrangements. If an individual receives the survey, completion is required.

Cardiff University has recently partnered with *Study Group* to provide an International Foundation Year in Health, Medical and Life Sciences academic pathway. Taught at the International Study Centre in the

centre of our campus, the first intake for this programme will be from September 2020 with a pathway programme that includes medicine.

To find out more about the programmes available and for information about how to apply, please complete an enquiry form at: <https://isc.cardiff.ac.uk/university-referrals/>. Once registered, colleagues at the Study Centre will provide more information.

Graduate and mature applicants

Graduate applicants may apply for admission to either the five-year (A100) or six-year (A104) programmes, according to their previous academic experience in the sciences. Students studying for a degree in other disciplines will be considered for entry into the A104 and may apply in the final year or upon completion of their degree. Students who have already embarked on a degree course and are not in the final year of the course, will not normally be considered unless there are evidenced considerable and/or unforeseen extenuating circumstances which prevented completion of the initial degree programme. Potential applicants in such circumstances should complete an extenuating circumstances form and the form will be considered by the Admissions Group.

Applicants who have failed to complete a course for academic reasons or matters of probity will not be considered.

Academic qualifications obtained before entering university will also be considered and graduate applicants will need to meet the minimum entry requirements in the Appendix and will need to achieve a BSc Honours degree 2:1 or above in their first degree.

Graduate applicants applying to A104 are required to take the UCAT. Test results obtained in previous years are not accepted. The UCAT score may be used as part of the assessment procedure. All other graduate applicants (other than those applying for the A104) are required to take the Graduate Medical School Aptitude Test (**GAMSAT**) by September of the Year of application.

<https://gamsat.acer.org/university-admission/admission-uk>

A GAMSAT result in the previous year prior to application will also be considered.

Applications from mature students are welcome. Those studying an Access to Science Diploma or Access to Medicine Diploma recognised by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education <http://www.accesstohe.ac.uk/Pages/Default.aspx> will be considered on an individual basis for entry to the six year Preliminary Programme (A104). This entry qualification is considered for applicants who were unable to continue their school/college education after the age of 16. Preference is given to applicants who have been out of full-time education for at least **four** years before their Access course. Access Diplomas are **not** accepted for applicants who have previously completed GCSE/A-Levels (or equivalent) and failed to achieve the required grades.

Widening participation

Cardiff University is committed to widening participation. We welcome applications from students of all backgrounds, and we use contextualisation data when considering applications. Applicants who are participating in widening participation initiatives listed below will be offered an interview so long as they meet the minimum entry requirements described on page 4:

Cardiff University Step-Up programme, Sutton Trust attendees to Cardiff University Summer School, Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol (specifically the *Doctoriad Yfory* scheme), Coleg Gwent Certificate.

Selection process

Applications must be made through UCAS, details of which can be found at <https://www.ucas.com/> and can be made in either English or Welsh - applicants can choose which of these languages they wish to

receive correspondence in. **The closing date for applications for 2021 entry is the 15th October 2020. Applications received after this date will not be considered.**

Academic

Applicants should include **ALL** qualifications (including a breakdown of subjects and grades) achieved and pending, from the age of 14+ in the *Education Section* of their UCAS application. Applicants who fail to do this will not be considered. Those who meet or exceed the minimum academic threshold will then be ranked and a cut-off point determined to proceed to consideration of the non-academic criteria.

Applicants are reminded that an **academic** Referee's statement is required.

UCAT/GAMSAT

We do not have a minimum UCAT or GAMSAT threshold score, however they may be used as part of our selection process.

Non-academic requirements

Applicants who have reached or exceeded the academic cut off point for the year are considered on non-academic criteria according to the information in their personal statement and the academic referee's statement. Applications are reviewed by trained selectors. The School of Medicine recognises that opportunities for certain types of work experience and participation in similar activities will vary according to individual applicant's background, including socio-economic, cultural and geographical circumstances. This will be considered when reviewing the personal statement.

Interviews

Applicants who are shortlisted will be invited to interview (normally December/January after the UCAS application deadline in October). Invitations are sent via email with a link to our online booking system in November of the application cycle. Once an applicant has booked an interview, the date/time cannot usually be changed, so please check with your medical school choices to avoid a clash of dates (interview dates are often published in advance).

The interview is in the form of multiple mini interviews (MMIs), exploring personal qualities and attributes important to developing a good doctor <https://www.qmc-uk.org/ethical-guidance/ethical-guidance-for-doctors/good-medical-practice>

Any extenuating circumstance that may affect an applicant's performance at interview must be declared when booking the interview slot to allow for reasonable adjustments. In the event of illness preventing an applicant from attending an interview, the applicant should contact the Admissions Team to try to seek an alternative interview date but this cannot be guaranteed. If the applicant has concerns about an interview, they must bring it to the attention of the Admissions Team on the day of the interview. Retrospective adjustments will not be made.

All offers are made after the interviews. Failure to attend a booked interview without exceptional reasons will result in the application being rejected. Applicants who are not offered interviews will be notified. All interviewees will be provided with feedback after all interviews have been completed.

Successful applicants will be notified via UCAS. To ensure equality of opportunity, no offers will be made until all interviews are completed. The decision to make all offers is made by the Admissions Group. The Admissions Group endeavours to make offers as soon as is practicable after the interview cycle.

Unfair practice

Where false or misleading information has been provided at application stage, the application will not be considered further. UCAS will also be notified. All UCAS personal statements are subjected to a plagiarism detection process. Applications that are suspected to contain false, plagiarised, incorrect, or misleading

information will be investigated in accordance with the University's Admissions Policy. An offer of an interview or subsequent offer of a place will be withdrawn if false or misleading information or evidence of other unfair practice is subsequently discovered. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that we are informed of any relevant changes to their personal circumstances.

Other entry conditions

These include a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check, and completion of a health survey arranged with the University Occupational Health Service.

Confirmation of a place

Applicants who have met the terms of their offer will be notified by UCAS. Those who have not met the terms of their offer are referred to the Admissions Group for review. The applicant will be notified of the decision via UCAS. The Admissions Group decision is final.

Transfers

Cardiff University School of Medicine has an integrated, spiral curriculum and therefore does not normally consider transfer requests from students studying medicine elsewhere.

Communication with the School of Medicine

Communication with the Admissions Team relating to an applicant's personal circumstances, that could have a potential bearing on selection, must be made in writing by letter or email. Due to Data Protection the University can only communicate with the applicant directly in relation to all aspects of their application unless the applicant has authorised a third party to act on their behalf.

Complaints and appeals

We are committed to delivering a high quality, efficient and fair admissions process.

For information about the complaints and Appeals procedures can be found at:

<https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/public-information/students-applicants/admissions-policies/complaints-and-appeals>.

Applicant's conduct

Professional behaviour is an important part of studying medicine and being a doctor. If there is behaviour during the admissions process that may be considered as unprofessional, this will jeopardise the application and may result in a rejection. Any behaviour that contravenes Cardiff University's Equality and Diversity and/or Dignity at Work and Study Policies may result in the withdrawal of an offer/admission. Details of the policy can be found on <https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/public-information/equality-and-diversity>

Further enquiries

For further enquiries regarding admissions to Cardiff University School of Medicine undergraduate medical degree programmes please contact:

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APPENDIX

All applicants must provide evidence of prior academic capability in externally moderated, publicly validated examinations, e.g. GCSE, IGCSE or equivalent qualifications. For applicants with UK qualifications, only those that are defined in the National Database of Accredited Qualifications are acceptable <http://www.accreditedqualifications.org.uk/office-of-qualifications-and-examinations-regulation-ofqual.html>

A100 and A104 programmes: GCSE requirements

| GCSE Subjects | Minimum requirements |
|---|--|
| English Language | 6 or B |
| At least one of Mathematics or Numeracy | 6 or B |
| Science | Either 66 or BB in Science and Additional Science or equivalent. Or 66 or BB in Chemistry and Biology Or 66 or BB in Core Science, and one of Additional Science or Further Additional Science |
| Other subjects | Applicants must offer a total of nine subjects to include the minimum requirements above. Where an applicant cannot take nine GCSEs due to School Policy, applicants are advised to email medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk for advice. GCSE Welsh First Language is accepted and can be offered as one of the nine subjects so long as the English Language minimum has been met. GCSE Human Biology is accepted, but not in conjunction with standard GCSE Biology. A single GCSE short course is not considered alone. If, however, there are two short courses which taken together would give the applicant an advantage then this can count as one whole GCSE. Level 2 certificates such as the Certificate in Digital Applications (CiDA), Applied Business, ICT (examining board) and the Diploma in Digital Applications (DiDA) will be considered as contributing one additional, separate subject in lieu of a GCSE during academic scoring. |
| NOT considered | Level 2 BTECs and NVQs |
| GCSE resit policy | We will only accept GCSE resits within 12 months of the original sitting except English Language which has no time limit for resit. |

Extra information on Mathematics at GCSE

Applicants taking examinations under an English examination board are required to have Mathematics at a minimum of grade 6. Applicants taking examinations under WJEC are required to have either Mathematics or Numeracy at a minimum of grade B. For all exam boards we will also accept **one** extra Mathematics subject alongside either Mathematics or Numeracy from Additional Mathematics, Further Mathematics or Statistics, if it is to the advantage of the applicant.

GCE A-level requirements (A100)

The offer will be AAA grades at A-level. Students must offer three A-levels, which **should** include Chemistry and Biology. Applicants undertaking science A-levels where a separate practical endorsement is reported will require a pass in this element. Applicants who are offering only **one** of Biology or Chemistry at A2 **and** a second science subject e.g. Physics or Maths, may still be considered for the A100 course, if they achieve an A grade at AS level in the subject (Biology or Chemistry) not offered at A2 level. Such candidates are advised to contact the Admissions Team, to confirm the acceptability of this arrangement prior to applying.

GCE A-level requirements (A104)

Students must offer three A-levels in any subject (except General Studies and Critical Thinking) and the offer will be AAA grades. The A104 course is for students who are not offering Biology and/or Chemistry (or equivalent) at A-level. **It is not intended for applicants who have taken but failed to achieve the necessary grades in subjects required for entry into the A100 Programme.**

Additional information on A-levels

Only one Mathematics subject at A-level (from Maths, Further Maths and Statistics) will be considered. Human biology and biology will not be considered as separate A-levels. General Studies and Critical Thinking are **not** accepted. Applicants offering applied subjects should contact Admissions Team for advice medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk.

Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced Skills Challenge Certificate (WBA)

The WBA with an overall grade A will be considered in lieu of an A-level, for A100 and A104. Applicants for A100 must also satisfy the A-level subject requirements in Biology and Chemistry.

Graduates

All graduate applicants should have achieved a minimum of grade 6/B in GCSE Mathematics, English Language, and Biology and Chemistry (or Core and Additional/Further Additional Science) in addition to BBB or ABC grades at A-level and a BSc Honours degree 2:1 or above. All graduates should have Biology and Chemistry at A-Level. Those who do not hold GCE A-Level qualifications in Biology or Chemistry may be considered for the A100 course. However, they will be required to provide details of specific modules from their degree courses and will then be considered individually by the Admissions Group. Further details can be obtained from the Admissions Team. Applicants who have completed a PhD who wish to apply for Medicine should contact the Admissions Group for advice.

Individual academic performance required to maintain eligibility to apply to the A101/A102 course is set by each Feeder Stream course. It is the responsibility of the University providing the Feeder Streams to check the entry requirements and ensure that applicants who subsequently apply to the A101/A102 are competitive.

All graduate applicants will be required to sit the GAMSAT examination prior to applying. Graduates who do not have the appropriate science background may be considered for the A104 six-year course and will be required to sit the UCAT.

Applicants **must have completed their degree or must be in the final year of their current degree** programme for their application to be considered. Degree results must be awarded and conferred by 31st August of the year of entry to the course.

International Baccalaureate

Applicants applying prior to having achieved the IB qualification **must include details (including a breakdown of subjects and grades) of their achieved Level 2 examinations, GCSE and Middle Years Programme (MYP), in the *Education Section* on their UCAS application to be considered.** Successful candidates require an overall total of 36 points (excluding Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay) for entry. A minimum of 19 points must be achieved in Higher level subjects made up of a score of 7, 6, 6 points to include two science subjects. This must include at least one of Biology and Chemistry at Higher level (if both subjects are not offered then the second subject must be one of Physics, and either Mathematics or Statistics) with the score of 6 points being achieved in either Chemistry or Biology. Chemistry or Biology must be offered at Standard Level with a score of 7 points, if not at Higher level.

Applicants for the A104 6-year Preliminary course require an overall total of 36 points (excluding Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay) for entry. A minimum of 19 points must be achieved in the Higher Level subjects made up of a score of 7, 6, 6 points. It is not intended for applicants who have taken but failed to achieve the necessary grades in subjects required for entry into the A100 Programme.

If Mathematics and English language are not offered within the diploma they should be offered as GCSE subjects with at least grade 6/B.

European Baccalaureate Diploma

Applicants for the A100 course require a final overall mark of at least 85%. Chemistry and Biology with individual grades of at least 8.5 in year 7 must be included in the Diploma.

Applicants for the A104 6-year Preliminary course require a final overall mark of at least 85%. This course is for those who have not taken both Biology and Chemistry modules and therefore do not have the depth of subject specialism associated with the A100 programme.

If Mathematics and English language are not offered within the diploma they should be offered as GCSE subjects with at least grade 6/B. **All applicants offering the European Baccalaureate must include details (including a breakdown of subjects and grades) of their achieved Level 2 examinations, GCSE or S6, in the *Education Section* on their UCAS application to be considered,** if applying prior to having achieved the final European Baccalaureate qualification.

Cambridge Pre-University Diploma

The full Pre-University Diploma is required with three D3 grades in the Principal Subjects, which must include Chemistry and Biology. Alternatively, applicants can offer a single Principle Subject in addition to AA at A-level. Applicants for A100 must include Chemistry and Biology at Pre-U or A-level.

AQA Baccalaureate

In addition to passing the Baccalaureate, AAA grades in three A-Level subjects are required, which must include Chemistry and Biology.

Access Diploma programmes

Those studying an Access to Science Diploma or Access to Medicine Diploma recognised by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education <http://www.accesstohe.ac.uk/Pages/Default.aspx> will be considered on an individual basis for entry to the six-year A104 Preliminary course. Preference will be given to applicants who have been out of full-time education for at least four years before their Access course. Access Diploma applicants must meet the minimum entry requirements and must achieve Distinction Level in all units of assessment. The Advanced (14-19) Diploma in Society, Health and Development is not accepted. Diplomas are **not** accepted for applicants who have previously completed A-Levels (or equivalent) and failed to achieve the required grades, unless there were exceptional extenuating circumstances. In such cases, prospective applicants would be advised to email medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk.

Irish qualifications

Applicants with Irish qualifications are eligible to apply for the A100 course. If applying prior to obtaining Leaving Certificate qualifications, applicants must include their Junior Certificate qualifications (including a breakdown of subjects and grades) in the *Education Section* on their UCAS application to be considered. For Junior Certificate qualifications, English and Maths are required at Higher level. All subjects offered at Junior Certificate must be at B or Higher Merit and must include Science. For Leaving Certificate qualifications, applicants must offer six subjects at Higher level and obtain six H2 grades, including Chemistry and Biology. Mathematics and English language must be passed to at least O3 Level.

Scottish qualifications

Applicants offering two subjects at Advanced Higher level with AA grades (including Chemistry and Biology) along with five A grades are eligible to apply for the A100 course. Applicants with five A grades in Scottish Highers, including Chemistry and Biology are eligible for the A104 course. Mathematics and English language must be passed to at least Standard Level with grade 2 or grade B.

BTEC qualifications

The BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Applied Science at DDD level is an acceptable qualification for entry to the six-year A104 course. Applicants undertaking the new (2016) curriculum must also achieve Distinctions in all externally assessed units. The Higher National Diploma at Distinction level is required for entry to the five-year A100 course. Applicants must also meet the minimum entry requirements above.

Dental graduates

Dental graduates applying to study medicine will be considered for the A101/A102 4-year course only. Applicants are required to have completed further postgraduate training obtaining appropriate professional qualifications. Applicants should submit a full *curriculum vitae* to the Admissions Team (medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk) at the time of making their UCAS application. Applicants must have a current GAMSAT score and will need to participate in the interview process, in order to be considered. The British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (OMFS) provides information for applicants for training in OMFS <https://www.baoms.org.uk/>.