



School of Medicine

Admissions Policy for Undergraduate Programmes in Medicine

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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”**.

Our student selection process is objective, transparent, open, fair and free from discrimination of any kind and underpinned by Cardiff 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 everyone whose application is 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 us do this. Applicants from Wales are encouraged to apply 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/>). We expect all applicants to demonstrate these attributes at all stages of the application process and throughout the course should they be selected.

The admission process is overseen by the Director of Admissions and an Admissions Group, which consists of Medical School academic staff under governance of the University. This Group advises on policy and individual cases. The Admissions Administrative Team which works alongside the Admissions Group can be contacted at medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk and are the first point of contact for all queries relating to applications.

The courses

A100 5-year course

This is for applicants with three A-levels or equivalent qualifications including both Chemistry and Biology. The typical offer is AAA. Graduates can also apply for the A100 course.

Students undertaking the 5-year course may wish to consider taking an *additional year* to complete an intercalated degree (this decision does not need to be made at this stage).

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 degree programmes:

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 Bangor University (B100)

Selected students, on completion of these degrees, who fulfil the minimum requirements for the A100 and are successful at interview, may enter the second year of this course in Cardiff as an A101 candidate or Bangor as an A102 candidate. Please note that these feeder stream routes are currently under review, and may change, so potential applicants must check current details in the Undergraduate Prospectus <http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/for/prospective/ug/prospectus>

Entry requirements

For all applicants (including all graduates)

GCSEs – minimum 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 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.

Additional notes:

- For A100, applicants must offer three A-levels (or equivalent) including Biology and Chemistry and a third subject (see Appendix).
- Applicants who have already achieved all three relevant A-levels at AAA receive additional credit for these. (Minimum GCSE requirements are also required).
- Applicants who are in the final year of their degree may also receive additional credit (subject to minimum A level and GCSE (or equivalent) requirements - please see appendix for details)..
- Additional consideration is given to Welsh-domiciled and contextualised (see Cardiff University website for contextualisation information) applicants because they are under-represented in applications to UK medical schools.
- **Unsuccessful applicants** are encouraged to reapply, providing they meet the minimum entry criteria for the year they wish to apply.

UCAT:

All applicants (including graduates) 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.

UCAS applications

For all applicants (including all graduates)

All applicants must complete all sections of the UCAS application.

In addition, a **Personal Statement** which includes information supporting suitability for a medical course and an **Academic Reference** are essential.

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 the start of the course.

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

For all applicants (including all graduates) – prior to submitting a UCAS application

Should you think that something has significantly impacted upon your academic performance, you may submit a statement of extenuating circumstances. This must be provided prior to application by the applicant and not by a third party.

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 15th September 2022. This form can be requested via email to medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk.

The School of Medicine will not consider extenuating circumstances presented on a UCAS form without prior information having been provided.

Poor 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.

We only consider A-level resits for those holding offers to study medicine at Cardiff University in exceptional circumstances. Full extenuating circumstances forms must be completed, via contacting medical admissions (see above) and the case will be discussed by the Admissions Group. The decision of the Admissions Group is final. We do not consider applicants who failed to meet the tariff of another medical school unless they have achieved at least AAA on first sitting.

Regardless of extenuating circumstances, we can only consider the 3 required A levels achieving our minimum entry requirements, when they have been achieved.

If the A-levels you completed originally are not compatible with being able to apply for a medical degree, and you wish to take the A-levels that are required, for example should you wish to study either Biology and/or Chemistry after your initial A-levels, please email medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk before applying for advice. You will need a prior agreement in place for us to consider your application.

International applicants

We welcome 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 in order to obtain advice before making an application.

Applicants offering non-standard qualifications must clearly state the subjects and grades on their UCAS application as they are written on their certificates/transcripts. Do not attempt to convert these to GCSE grades.

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

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

If this qualification is pending, successful completion at the minimum required level will form part of an offer. Re-sits for English language qualification are accepted but must be achieved prior to confirmation of an offer.

All offers on the courses are conditional on success at interview. This policy includes international applicants who may be required to attend an 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 application process to confirm funding arrangements. If an individual receives the survey, completion is required.

Cardiff University is partnered with *Study Group* to provide an International Foundation Year in Health, Medical and Life Sciences academic pathway. This is taught at the International Study Centre in the centre of our campus, 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 applicants

Graduate applicants should refer to all areas of the policy prior to making an application. Graduate applicants may apply for admission to the five-year (A100) according to their previous academic experience in the sciences.

Academic qualifications obtained before an applicant's initial degree will be reviewed and minimum entry requirements (listed in the Appendix) must be met. In addition, applicants must be in their final year or have completed their initial degree, and the offer for the medical degree is subject to achievement of a BSc Honours degree 2:1 or above.

Applications from students who have started a degree and are not in the final year of this will not be considered unless there are considerable and/or unforeseen extenuating circumstances which prevented completion of the initial degree programme and evidence is provided and an agreement with the Admissions Group is in place. Potential applicants in such circumstances should complete an extenuating circumstances form and these will be considered by the Admissions Group on an individual basis.

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

All graduate applicants are required to take the UCAT. Test results obtained in previous years are not accepted.

Please note that as with all other applicants, the UCAT score may be used as part of the selection procedure.

Minimal entry requirements for applicants with a PhD / or a Master's degree can be found in the Appendix.

Mature applicants

Applications from mature students are welcome. They will need to satisfy our minimum entry requirements and are advised to contact medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk with their full academic qualification history for advice before applying.

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 completing widening participation schemes listed below will be offered an interview provided the minimum entry requirements (see page 4) are met:

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

For more information regarding Contextual admissions please follow this link:

<https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applying/contextual-data>

Selection process

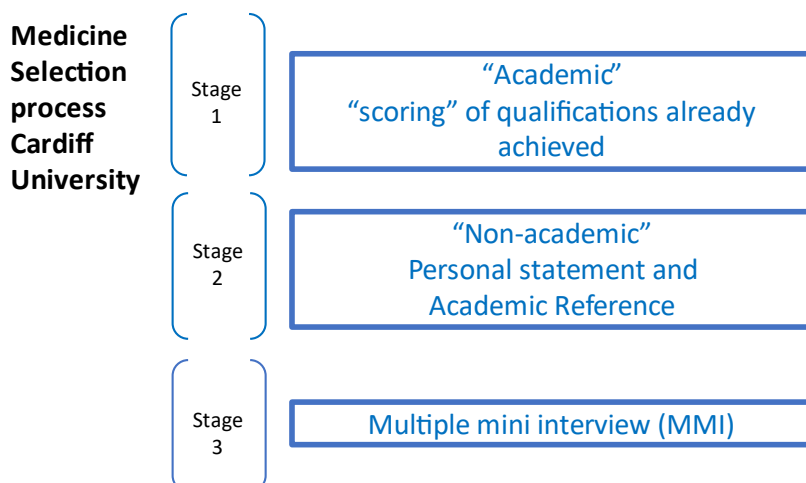
For all applicants (including all graduates)

All applications must be made through UCAS, details of which can be found at <https://www.ucas.com/>. Applications are welcomed in either English or Welsh and correspondence according to preference can be in either language.

The closing date for applications for 2023 entry is the 15th of October 2022. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

Academic and non-academic criteria (Personal Statement and Academic Reference) are reviewed to identify applicants to invite for interview. (see Figure 1: Selection Process)

Figure 1 : Selection Process:



Stage 1 of Selection Process: Academic Qualifications

Applicants should include **ALL** qualifications (including a breakdown of subjects and grades) achieved and pending, from the age of 14+ in the "QUALIFICATIONS COMPLETED OR CERTIFICATED" section of their UCAS application. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure qualification details are clear.

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. For double award science GCSE, you need to write down both grades eg A, A. If this has not been completed, we cannot chase you for this later.

Applicants 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. (See Figure 1: Stage 1 of Selection Process).

Please note: common errors include forgetting to include English Language GCSE which is mandatory (recording score for English Literature GCSE only) and forgetting to include both grades should Double Science GCSE have been completed.

Applicants who fail to do include the minimum requirements 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 (Personal Statement and Academic Reference) review (see Figure 1: Stage 2 of Selection Process).

Those applying with alternative qualifications should write them as they appear on their certificates/transcripts. Applicants should not attempt to convert these to GCSEs/A levels.

UCAT

We do not have a minimum UCAT threshold score, however UCAT may be used as part of our selection process. This score (should it be used) is not pre-determined and will vary year to year depending on the cohort who take it.

We prioritise attained academic qualifications, Level 2, (and Level 3, if offered) but we will use a UCAT tariff if we are oversubscribed with applicants with exceptional academic scores to help select which applicants to interview. Use (or not) of the UCAT can only be determined each year after we have assessed the academic score of all the applicants. We always aim to interview as many well qualified applicants as possible.

Stage 2 of 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. See above for criteria reviewed.

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.

Stage 3 of Selection Process: Interviews

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

Applicants who are unsuccessful at obtaining an interview will be notified as soon as possible after all applications have been reviewed and decisions about interviews have been made. There may be a short delay if we have a very high volume of applications to process.

The interview format is multiple mini interviews (MMIs). The interview will be conducted online via Zoom and will take the form of a written station and verbal MMI stations. Questions will explore personal qualities and attributes deemed important for doctors <https://www.gmc-uk.org/ethical-guidance/ethical-guidance-for-doctors/good-medical-practice>

Applicants must complete a declaration form prior to the MMIs to agree to the standards expected including agreeing to abide by the requirement not to share questions with others and not participating in any unfair practice.

A final score will be determined by combining scores achieved in both the written station and verbal MMI stations.

Any known 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 or other extenuating circumstance on the day of interview which prevents an applicant from participating in the interview, the applicant must contact the Admissions Team (medadmission@cardiff.ac.uk) prior to their interview time to make them aware. An alternative interview date will be arranged, if possible, but this cannot be guaranteed.

If an applicant has any 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 and retrospective extenuating circumstances cannot be considered.

Offers are only made after all interviews have been completed.

Failure to attend a booked interview without exceptional reasons will result in the application being rejected and no offer will be made.

The Admissions Group meets with the Head of the School of Medicine and Curriculum Director as soon as possible after all interviews have been conducted to determine the threshold for offers based on interview score.

Successful applicants will be notified via UCAS.

Each applicant who attended an MMI (whether successful in obtaining an offer of a place or not) will receive feedback via email after all decisions have been made. This will be sent via a separate email after all offers have been made.

Unfair practice

We have a zero tolerance approach to fraud (cheating in an interview, plagiarism in personal statements, providing fake documents, etc.) under the applicant behaviours section of the admissions policy <https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/public-information/students-applicants/admissions-policies>.

At application stage where false or misleading information has been provided, the application will not be considered further and an unsuccessful decision will be processed.

Following an offer of a place, an offer may be withdrawn or changed if information comes to the attention of the University which could have influenced the decision or outcome of an application. This includes the submission of false or misleading information in support of an application."

Additional entry conditions

In order to start A100, A101 and A102 each applicant must complete:

- a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check,
- a health survey arranged with the University Occupational Health Service.

In addition please note for A101 and A102:

- The start date of A101 and A102 is in August of the year of entry. This is to complete a “summer school” which provides an essential foundation to your studies. You are expected to attend this in full. Details and dates will be provided after offer decisions are made.

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 will be 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 does not accept transfer requests from students studying medicine at another institution and does not accept transfers from any other degree course. The School of Medicine runs an integrated, spiral curriculum; therefore, in **exceptional circumstances**, in line with Cardiff University Policy we may review a request of Record of Prior Learning. Should you wish to review the Record of Prior Learning School of Medicine Process to see if you may be eligible, please contact the Medical Admissions Team (medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk) for more information and to receive the forms. Should a decision to accept the “transfer” be agreed, the year of entry would be year 1 in most circumstances and is also dependent on whether there is capacity.

Communication with the School of Medicine

All 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 will only communicate with the applicant directly in relation to all aspects of their application unless the applicant has authorised (in writing/by email) a third party to act on their behalf. Please be aware that there may be an additional delay in responding to any correspondence by letter.

Complaints and appeals

We are committed to delivering a high quality, efficient, transparent and fair admissions process. Should you feel this has not been the case, 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 integral aspect of studying medicine and being a doctor. Any behaviour during the admissions or selection process that may be considered as unprofessional 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 at any stage of the process. 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

Academic requirements

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>

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	<p>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, they must offer a minimum of 7 GCSEs and are advised to email medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk for advice.</p> <p>English language or Welsh language at GCSE grade B/6 or an equivalent.</p> <p>GCSE Human Biology is accepted, but not in conjunction with standard GCSE Biology.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
NOT considered	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.

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. BTECs, A Level General Studies and A Level 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. Applicants for A100 must also satisfy the A-level subject requirements in Biology and Chemistry.

Graduates

A100

All graduate applicants should have achieved a minimum of grade 6/B in GCSEs listed in the table above, in addition to BBB or ABC grades at A-level and have achieved a BSc Honours degree 2:1 or above or be close to completion. All graduates should have Biology and Chemistry at GCE A-Level. **Those who do not hold A-Level qualifications in Biology or Chemistry may be considered for the A100 course, however, they are required to provide details of specific modules from their degree courses directly to the School of Medicine at the time of application 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 must meet the minimum GCSE entry requirements specified in this section and should contact the Admissions Group for advice. Graduates will be required to sit the UCAT.

Graduate 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.**

Graduates (For A101 and A102)

Minimum entry requirements as per A100 in terms of GCSE (or equivalents) are required.

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.

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. We accept performance from the MYP in English qualification (either at SL or HL) as indicative of the expectation of IB English: A Language and Literature (first language) or IB English B (second language) being achieved at

SL6 or HL5. 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.

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

Graduate applicants who have achieved the IB qualification must achieve an overall total of 32 points (excluding Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay). A minimum of 17 points must be achieved in Higher level subjects made up of a score of 5, 6, 6 points to include two science subjects. Plus, having achieved a BSc Honours degree 2:1 or above, or be working towards it.

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.

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 Principal Subject in addition to AA at 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.

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 Scottish Higher A grades are eligible to apply for the A100 course. Mathematics and English language must be passed to at least Standard Level with grade 2 or grade B. Mathematics and English language must be passed to at least Standard Level with grade 2 or grade B.

Dental graduates

Dental graduates applying to study medicine will be considered for the A101/A102 4-year course only. Up to two places will be set aside for suitably qualified applicants. 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 UCAT score and will need to participate in the multiple mini-interview process and will also be expected to attend a panel interview (to include local Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons) for the purpose of ensuring that applicants are intending to follow the OMFS training route. The application must include an **academic reference** or a reference from a Maxillofacial Surgeon.

The British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (OMFS) provides information for applicants for training in OMFS <https://www.baoms.org.uk>.