2020 Admissions Guide for International Applicants
Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences

Doctor of Medicine
Doctor of Dental Surgery
Doctor of Physiotherapy

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## Timeline for Doctor of Medicine (MD) – 2019 dates for 2020 Intake

Note: All dates are Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)

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<td>1 March</td>
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<td>GAMSAT held.</td>
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<td>Late May</td>
<td>GAMSAT results released.</td>
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<td>1 June</td>
<td>Last test date for MCAT (international offshore only) to be eligible for 2020 consideration.</td>
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<td>21 June</td>
<td>MD deadline for submitting request for prerequisite assessment (submit directly to the University of Melbourne).</td>
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<td>28 June</td>
<td>MD international applications close. Application fee due date (AEST 11.59pm).</td>
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<td>14 July</td>
<td>MD final date for MCAT scores / GAMSAT results to be submitted.</td>
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<td>25 August</td>
<td>Last date for MD International applicants to accept interview offers.</td>
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<td>Mid-August</td>
<td>MD international interview offers released.</td>
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<td>MD onshore international interview date and time released.</td>
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<td>Early September</td>
<td>MD offshore international interview date and time released.</td>
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<td>Week of 9 September</td>
<td>MD offshore international MMI’s via Skype.</td>
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<td>MD onshore international interview date and time released.</td>
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<td>30 September – 4 October</td>
<td>MD onshore international interviews.</td>
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<td>Mid-October</td>
<td>MD offshore international offers released.</td>
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<td>6 December</td>
<td>Enrolment deadline for unconditional offer applicants.</td>
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<td>6 January</td>
<td>MD deadline for onshore international applicants with conditional offers to submit final results and to meet any other offer conditions. This includes degree conferral and any single subject enrolments to meet prerequisite requirements.</td>
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<tr>
<td>12 January</td>
<td>MD enrolment deadline for all conditional offer international applicants.</td>
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<td>28 January</td>
<td>MD classes commence (indicative only and subject to change).</td>
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### FEBRUARY 2020

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Updated on 4 April 2019
### Timeline for Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) – 2019 dates for 2020 Intake

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<td>31 July (AEST 11.59pm)</td>
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<td>Early September DDS international offers dispatched.</td>
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<td>DDS international applications close.</td>
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<td>Application fee due date (AEST 11:59pm).</td>
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<td>DDS final date for aptitude tests to be submitted.</td>
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<td>International applicants to submit final year Semester 1, 2019 results.</td>
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<td>DDS deadline for international applicants with unconditional offers to accept offers and pay deposit.</td>
<td>Enrolment deadline for unconditional offer applicants.</td>
<td>DDS enrolment deadline for all conditional offer international applicants.</td>
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<td>11 November</td>
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<td>23-24 January</td>
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<td>DDS offshore international applicant deadline to meet any conditions of offers.</td>
<td>Additional offers made to fill vacancies.</td>
<td>DDS compulsory orientation (indicative only and subject to change).</td>
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<td>20 December</td>
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<td>DDS deadline for onshore international applicants with <strong>conditional offers</strong> to submit final results and to meet any other offer conditions. This includes degree conferral and any single subject enrolments to meet prerequisite requirements.</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 July (AEST 11:59pm) DPT offshore and onshore international applications close.</td>
<td>Main round of MMI dates to be confirmed. Please continue to check Application page for confirmed MMI period.</td>
<td>6 September DPT offshore and offshore international applicants not shortlisted for interview notified. Mid to late September DPT offshore International offers dispatched.</td>
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<td>Application fee due date (AEST 11:59pm). DPT interview offers release date to be confirmed. Application page will be updated with MMI offer release dates.</td>
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<td>6 December Enrolment deadline for unconditional offer applicants. Ongoing Additional offers made to fill vacancies. 13 December DPT deadline for onshore international applicants with conditional offers to submit final results and to meet any other offer conditions. This includes degree conferral and any single subject enrolments to meet prerequisite requirements.</td>
<td>6 January DPT enrolment deadline for all conditional offer international applicants. Last January Unsuccessful applicants advised of outcome. 31 January DPT orientation.</td>
<td>3 February DPT classes commence (indicative only and subject to change).</td>
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Admission Policies

Offers

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept an offer of a place. Offers not accepted by the due date will lapse, in accordance with the instructions given in the offer letter.

Applicants accepting an international fee offer for the Doctor of Medicine course at the University of Melbourne will be required to submit a Student Financial Plan prior to commencement of the course.

Deferral

Deferral of a place is unlikely and will only be granted in exceptional and unforeseen circumstances.

The Doctor of Medicine guidelines for deferral can be found at this link:
http://medicine.unimelb.edu.au/study/current‐student‐resources/mms‐students‐resources/policies,‐procedures‐and‐forms

More information can be found at the websites of the respective Schools and in the University of Melbourne handbook entries:

MD  https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor‐of‐medicine/entry‐requirements/#entry‐requirements
     https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/courses/mc‐dmed/entry‐participation‐requirements

DDS  https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor‐of‐dental‐surgery/entry‐requirements/
     https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/courses/mc‐ddensur/entry‐participation‐requirements

DPT  https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor‐of‐physiotherapy/entry‐requirements/
     https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/courses/mc‐dphysio/entry‐participation‐requirements

Admission Irregularities

Applicants should be aware that the presentation of forged documents is a criminal offence in Australia and that the University may take appropriate action against such cases. For the purpose of University admission, the withholding of information and the submission of incorrect or misleading information are deemed fraudulent. Action taken in such cases may include cancellation of an application for admission, of an offer of admission, or of an enrolment.

If you have been offered a place in another course and you intend to accept that place, then please withdraw your other applications for postgraduate coursework programs, to allow other applicants to be considered.

Application Process

Applications submitted after the closing date will not be assessed or considered for selection.

International applicants can apply directly online to the University of Melbourne:
https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how‐to‐apply/graduate‐coursework‐study/international‐applications

Applicants may also wish to apply via an overseas representative of the University. For a list of overseas representatives, please refer to the following link:
https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how‐to‐apply/find‐an‐overseas‐representative

There is a $A100 non‐refundable assessment fee for applications.
Guaranteed entry for school-leavers to graduate professional entry programs

International applicants eligible to apply as part of the University of Melbourne guaranteed entry for school-leavers to graduate professional entry programs must apply via the following website: https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/graduate-coursework-study/international-applications

Further information about the guaranteed entry programs can be found: https://students.unimelb.edu.au/future/graduate-study-for-current-students/guaranteed-entry
Selection Criteria – Doctor of Medicine

**Doctor of Medicine [400 credit points]**

1. To be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:

- Either
  - an undergraduate degree in any discipline, with studies to have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Medicine; **OR**
  - for applicants whose most recently completed undergraduate degree was completed 10 or more years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Medicine, a Graduate Diploma, Masters or PhD degree (or equivalent) completed within 10 years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Medicine; **AND**

- prerequisite studies in anatomy, physiology and biochemistry consisting of at least one subject at second-year level of each, with prerequisite subjects to have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Medicine; **AND**

- the Graduate Australian Medical Schools Admission Test (GAMSAT) or for international students who are located overseas only, either the GAMSAT or the North American Medical Colleges Admission Test (MCAT); **AND**

- a Multi-Mini Interview.

Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.

2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:

- prior academic performance; and
- the GAMSAT or MCAT score; and
- the Multi Mini Interview score.

3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board’s rules on the use of selection instruments.

[https://about.unimelb.edu.au/strategy/governance/peak-bodies-structures/academic-board#resolutions](https://about.unimelb.edu.au/strategy/governance/peak-bodies-structures/academic-board#resolutions)

4. Applicants are required to satisfy the University’s English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 is required.

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**Notes**

1. The Selection Committee will shortlist applicants for Multi Mini Interview on the basis of their performance in previous studies, using a Grade Point Average (GPA) calculated in a manner approved by the Academic Board for the Doctor of Medicine (see note 2 below), and their results in the GAMSAT or MCAT. All sections in the GAMSAT will be weighted equally to determine the GAMSAT score. Course offers will be made on the basis of a combined ranked list where the Multi Mini Interview will contribute 50%, GPA will contribute 25% and GAMSAT (or MCAT) will contribute 25% to the final ranking after interview.

2. Except for (i) applicants eligible under the Guaranteed Pathway and (ii) as explicitly provided for under clause 5 below, the Grade Point Average (GPA) used to rank applicants on academic merit based on their previous tertiary studies will be calculated in the following way. The most recent bachelor degree results (including Honours*) will be used for the purposes of calculating the Grade Point Average (GPA) regardless of any subsequent graduate studies completed. The Grade Point
Average (GPA) will be measured by considering the last three years of the applicant’s undergraduate coursework studies (including Honours*). **Weightings will be applied by weighting the first of the final three years by 1, the second year by 2, and the final year by 2.**

3. In considering students under special entry schemes the Selection Committee will consider aspects of disadvantage as set out from time to time in the University of Melbourne Graduate Access policy, evidence of rurality for rural applicants, and confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status for Indigenous applicants.

4. Students applying for the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Physiotherapy or Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Melbourne undergraduate degrees Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Biomedicine, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Environments, Bachelor of Music, or Bachelor of Science who meet entry and course requirements for a guaranteed place are admitted subject only to meeting any minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) as prescribed by the Academic Board; satisfactory performance at an interview to demonstrate adequate communication skills (Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Physiotherapy only); and completion of relevant prerequisite subjects on the first attempt.

5. The Selection Committee may re-rank applicants with a high level of performance in postgraduate studies in a cognate area subject to the following:
   - postgraduate study must have been completed within ten years of commencement of the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Physiotherapy;
   - postgraduate study must be the equivalent of at least a one year full time program;
   - postgraduate study must be in a discipline that builds upon studies completed at the undergraduate level;
   - postgraduate study must be in a health related or biological sciences discipline.

The quotas of places available for selection of applicants re-ranked on the basis of postgraduate study as prescribed above, are set initially as follows:
   (a) Doctor of Medicine — up to 10 places,
   (b) Doctor of Dental Surgery — up to 2 places,
   (c) Doctor of Physiotherapy — up to 3 places.

Re-ranked applicants not selected on this basis, who otherwise satisfy the selection criteria, will be considered on the basis of their undergraduate results. The Selection Committee is not required to fill the quotas and any unused places will be allocated as normal.

**MD selection Guidelines**

Please refer to the MD Selection Guidelines document on the following webpage:
 https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor-of-medicine/entry-requirements/#entry-requirements

**Treatment of Honours in selection for the MD**

The Grade Point Average (GPA) will be measured by considering the last three years of the applicant’s undergraduate coursework studies (only including Honours where the Honours Degree is completed by the end of Semester 1 in the year of application, and the results are available in time for selection).

If an Honours degree is not completed by mid-year in the year of application, then weightings will be applied by weighting the first of the final three pre-honours undergraduate years by 1, the second year by 2, and the final year by 2.

**English Language Requirements**

All applicants must meet the University’s minimum English language requirements. Information about the language requirements for entry can be found on:
 https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/graduate-english-language-requirements

Updated on 4 April 2019
Minimum GPA and GAMSAT Requirements for the MD
A minimum GPA of 5 and a minimum GAMSAT Score of 50 in each of the three sections of the GAMSAT is required. A minimum MCAT score of 492 is required. These are minimum requirements only, and selection into the course is highly competitive.

GAMSAT and MCAT
All international applicants residing in Australia at the time of application must sit the GAMSAT. MCAT scores cannot be used by these applicants. MCAT scores can only be used by MD international applicants who are not residing in Australia at the time of application.

Multi Mini Interviews (MMI) for the MD
As per the published entry requirements for the Doctor of Medicine, shortlisted applicants will be invited to interview for this course. Please refer to the MD course selection guidelines for further information about how the results from the Multi Mini Interviews are applied to MD applications: https://matrix-cms.unimelb.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0026/70298/MMI_Course_Selection_in_MD_v1.0.pdf

Clinical School zones for the MD
The University of Melbourne’s clinical schools are located in affiliated teaching hospitals, where MD students will spend the bulk of the clinical years of the course. These schools are grouped into three Clinical School Zones (the Inner-East zone, North-West zone, and Rural zone).

All successful applicants will be allocated to a particular zone at the time that they receive a course offer. This allocation cannot be changed and appeals will not be considered. Clinical school zone allocation is based on randomised order and applicant preference. Acceptance of a place in the MD indicates acceptance of a place in a particular clinical school zone, and subsequent clinical school placement. Note that successful international MD applicants will only be allocated to the Inner-East and North-West clinical school zones.

Applicants are advised to read through the Clinical School Zone and Clinical School Allocation policy for more information: https://medicine.unimelb.edu.au/study/current-student-resources/mms-students-resources/policies-procedures-and-forms

Further information about the individual clinical schools can be found here: http://medicine.unimelb.edu.au/study/current-student-resources/md-students-resources/clinical-schools/clinical-schools-zones
Selection Criteria – Doctor of Dental Surgery

Doctor of Dental Surgery [400 credit points]

1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:

- either
  - an undergraduate degree in any discipline, with studies to have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Dental Surgery; OR
  - for applicants whose most recently completed undergraduate degree was completed 10 or more years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Dental Surgery, a Graduate Diploma, Master or PhD degree or equivalent completed within 10 years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Dental Surgery; AND
- prerequisite studies in anatomy, physiology and biochemistry at second-year level or equivalent, with prerequisite subjects to have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Dental Surgery; AND
- the Graduate Australian Medical Schools Admission Test (GAMSAT) or, for international students residing overseas, the United States DAT (Dental Admission Test) or the Canadian DAT (Dental Aptitude Test) or the UK GAMSAT (the Graduate Medical School Admissions Test) or the UK BMAT (Biomedical Admissions Test).

Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.

2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:

- prior academic performance; and
- the GAMSAT, US DAT, Canadian DAT, UK GAMSAT or UKBMAT score.

3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board rules on the use of selection instruments.

4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university’s English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 is required.

Notes

1. The Doctor of Dental Surgery has a quota of 98 places available per year.

2. The performance of applicants in their previous studies will be assessed using a Grade Point Average (GPA) computed in a manner approved by the Academic Board for the Doctor of Dental Surgery (see note 3 below). Offers will be made on the basis of a combined ranked list where rank by GPA and rank by GAMSAT, DAT or BMAT score are given equal weighting.

3. Except for (i) applicants eligible under the Guaranteed Pathway and (ii) as explicitly provided for under clause 6 below, the Grade Point Average (GPA) used to rank applicants on academic merit based on their tertiary previous studies will be computed in the following way. The most recent bachelor degree results (including Honours) will be used for the purposes of calculating the Grade Point Average (GPA) regardless of any subsequent graduate studies completed. The Grade Point Average (GPA) will be measured by considering the last three years of the applicant’s undergraduate coursework studies (including Honours).
Weightings will be applied by weighting the first of the final three years by 1, the second year by 2 and the final year by 2.

4. In considering students under special entry schemes the Selection Committee will consider aspects of disadvantage as set out from time to time in the University of Melbourne Graduate Access policy, evidence of rurality for rural applicants, and confirmation of aboriginality for indigenous applicants.

5. Students applying for the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Physiotherapy, or Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Melbourne degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Biomedicine, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Environments, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Design, who meet entry and course requirements for a guaranteed place are admitted subject only to meeting any minimum grade point average as prescribed by the Academic Board; and completion of relevant pre-requisite subjects.

6. The Selection Committee may re-rank applicants with a high level of performance in postgraduate studies in a cognate area subject to the following:
   • postgraduate study must have been completed within ten years of commencement of the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Physiotherapy;
   • postgraduate study must be the equivalent of at least a one-year full time program;
   • postgraduate study must be in a discipline that builds upon studies completed at the undergraduate level;
   • postgraduate study must be in a health related or biological sciences discipline.

The quotas of places available for selection of applicants re-ranked on the basis of postgraduate study as prescribed below are set initially as follows:
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(b) Doctor of Dental Surgery — up to 2 places,
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Re-ranked applicants not selected on this basis, who otherwise satisfy the selection criteria, will be considered on the basis of their undergraduate results. The Selection Committee is not required to fill the quotas and any unused places will be allocated as normal.

MCAT scores are no longer accepted for entry to the Doctor of Dental Surgery program.

English Language Requirements
All applicants must meet the University’s minimum English language requirements. Information about the requirements for entry to the DDS can be found at https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/graduate-english-language-requirements

Minimum GPA and GAMSAT Requirements
A minimum GPA or GAMSAT has not been set for the Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS).

There are no discrete cut-off marks for either GPA or GAMSAT or other tests.
Selection Criteria – Doctor of Physiotherapy

**Doctor of Physiotherapy [300 credit points]**

1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:

- either
  - an undergraduate degree in any discipline, with studies to have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Physiotherapy; **OR**
  - for applicants whose most recently completed undergraduate degree was completed 10 or more years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Physiotherapy, a Graduate Diploma, Master or PhD degree or equivalent completed within 10 years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Physiotherapy; **AND**
- prerequisite University subjects in human anatomy and in human physiology or equivalent (one subject of each), with prerequisite subjects to have been completed within 10 years of commencing the Doctor of Physiotherapy; **AND**
- a Multi-Mini Interview (which may be restricted to shortlisted applicants).

Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.

2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:

- prior academic performance; and
- the interview.

3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board rules on the use of selection instruments.

4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university’s English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 is required.

**Notes**

1. The performance of applicants in their previous studies will be assessed using a Grade Point Average (GPA) computed in a manner approved by the Academic Board for the Doctor of Physiotherapy (see note 2 below). The GPA will be used to determine which applicants are shortlisted for multi-mini interview. Offers will be made on the basis of a combined ranked list where ranks by GPA and interview are given equal weighting.

2. Except for (i) applicants eligible under the Guaranteed Pathway and (ii) as explicitly provided for under clause 5 below, the Grade Point Average (GPA) used to rank applicants on academic merit based on their tertiary previous studies will be computed in the following way. The most recent bachelor degree results (including Honours) will be used for the purposes of calculating the Grade Point Average (GPA) regardless of any subsequent graduate studies completed. The Grade Point Average (GPA) will be measured by considering the last three years of the applicant’s undergraduate coursework studies (including Honours). **Weightings will be applied by weighting the first of the final three years by 1, the second year by 2 and the final year by 2.**

3. In considering students under special entry schemes the Selection Committee will consider aspects of
disadvantage as set out from time to time in the University of Melbourne Graduate Access policy, evidence of rurality for rural applicants, and confirmation of aboriginality for indigenous applicants.

4. Students applying for the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Physiotherapy, or Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Melbourne degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Biomedicine, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Environments, Bachelor of Design, Bachelor of Music, or Bachelor of Science who meet entry and course requirements for a guaranteed place are admitted subject only to meeting any minimum grade point average as prescribed by the Academic Board; satisfactory performance at an interview to demonstrate adequate communication skills (Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Physiotherapy only); and completion of relevant pre-requisite subjects on the first attempt.

5. The Selection Committee may re-rank applicants with a high level of performance in postgraduate studies in a cognate area subject to the following:
   - postgraduate study must have been completed within ten years of commencement of the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Physiotherapy;
   - postgraduate study must be the equivalent of at least a one year full time program;
   - postgraduate study must be in a discipline that builds upon studies completed at the undergraduate level;
   - postgraduate study must be in a health related or biological sciences discipline.

The quotas of places available for selection of applicants re-ranked on the basis of postgraduate study as prescribed below are set initially as follows:
   (a) Doctor of Medicine — up to 10 places,
   (b) Doctor of Dental Surgery — up to 2 places,
   (c) Doctor of Physiotherapy — up to 3 places.

Re-ranked applicants not selected on this basis, who otherwise satisfy the selection criteria, will be considered on the basis of their undergraduate results. The Selection Committee is not required to fill the quotas and any unused places will be allocated as normal.

**English Language Requirements**

All applicants must meet the University’s minimum English language requirements. Information about the requirements for entry to the DPT can be found at [https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/graduate-english-language-requirements](https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/graduate-english-language-requirements)

**Minimum GPA**

A minimum GPA has not been set for the Doctor of Physiotherapy (DPT).

Applicants are ranked for interview based on the weighted GPA.
Prerequisite Requirements

Prerequisite subject assessment

Applicants for the MD, DDS and DPT are required to have completed prerequisite subjects within 10 years of commencing the course.

For example, if applying for the 2020 intake then prerequisite subjects must have been completed from 2010 onwards.

Applicants to the MD and DDS must have completed approved prerequisite second year level (or equivalent) studies in anatomy, physiology and biochemistry. Applicants to the DPT must have completed approved subjects in human anatomy and human physiology. Refer to the selection criteria on pages 9-14 for details.

A list of subjects which have already been assessed (including approved and non-approved subjects) to determine equivalency is available at: http://mdhs-study.unimelb.edu.au/prerequisites

Applicants should check this list to determine whether they are eligible for consideration. If the subjects you have studied are not included on these lists, you must apply for the subjects to be assessed before the relevant application closing date.

Applicants who have not submitted documentation for prerequisite assessment by the course closing date or have not provided evidence of relevant completed prerequisite subjects will be deemed to have failed the prerequisite requirements and will not be eligible for selection into the MD, DDS or DPT.

If you have not completed approved prerequisite subjects at the time that you apply, you may still submit an application. In your application, you must provide evidence of enrolment in approved prerequisite subjects in the second half of the year. Please note that offshore applicants must meet conditions by 11 November 2019 for MD, DDS and DPT.

Details about how to submit your prerequisites subjects for assessment, and other required information can be found on the following website: http://mdhs-study.unimelb.edu.au/prerequisites

For applicants completing undergraduate degrees at the University of Melbourne, the following subjects satisfy the prerequisite requirements:


Graduates of the Bachelor of Biomedicine at the University of Melbourne automatically meet the prerequisite requirements.
**Undergraduate Degrees**

All applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, an undergraduate degree. An undergraduate degree is defined as a degree of at least three years duration when studied full-time, or equivalent, from a recognised university.

In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed either
– an undergraduate degree in any discipline, with studies to have been completed within 10 years of 1 January in the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Physiotherapy; or
– for applicants whose most recently completed undergraduate degree was completed 10 or more years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Medicine, a Graduate Diploma, Master or PhD degree or equivalent completed within 10 years before 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Physiotherapy.

Australian undergraduate degrees must be from a Commonwealth accredited institution (see [http://www.teqsa.gov.au/national-register](http://www.teqsa.gov.au/national-register)) and overseas degrees must be recognised by the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit as equivalent to an Australian bachelor degree.

Accelerated entry and conversion degrees may be accepted, depending on the level and extent of credited study, at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

**Transcript Requirements**

Applicants are required to submit official transcripts (including official aptitude test results) and grading scales by the application deadline.

Official transcripts are required to show degree conferral information if degrees have been completed.

Applicants are required to include official transcripts and grading scales from exchange studies, cross institutional studies, or any other tertiary studies that have been credited towards the key degree (the degree used for GPA calculation).

If applicants are currently enrolled or have completed postgraduate studies (Graduate Diploma, Master or PhD), applicants are required to include official transcripts and grading scales.

If you will be completing an undergraduate degree in 2019, please submit official transcripts and grading scales for all studies, including Semester 1, 2019 results. You must also provide evidence of enrolment for Semester 2, 2019 by the course application deadline.

**Grade Point Average (GPA)**

All applicants will have their GPA calculated in accordance with the guidelines published on the GEMSAS website: [http://www.gemsas.edu.au/](http://www.gemsas.edu.au/)

The GPA indicates the level of performance in the qualifying degree. There is no differentiation of GPA.
between institutions or courses. It should be emphasised that a science major is not a prerequisite, and that academic excellence in other areas, such as the humanities and social sciences, is encouraged and recognised.

Applicants may wish to calculate their GPA using the GPA calculator found on the GEMSAS website: http://www.gemsas.edu.au/gpa-calculations/

Applicants who completed their degrees outside Australia and New Zealand will not be able to calculate a GPA for themselves. Please note that any GPA calculated by an applicant will be an estimated GPA and used only for the information of the applicant.

No preference is given to graduates with particular bachelor degrees. The University encourages applications from individuals with diverse educational backgrounds who will bring a variety of talents and interests to the profession.

Doctor of Medicine:
The Grade Point Average (GPA) will be measured by considering the last three years of the applicant’s undergraduate coursework studies. Honours will be included where the Honours Degree is completed by the end of Semester 1 in the year of application, and the final results are available for selection. If an Honours degree is not completed by mid-year in the year of application, then weightings will be applied by weighting the first of the final three pre-honours undergraduate years by 1, the second year by 2, and the final year by 2.

Multi-Mini Interview (MMI) – MD and DPT

The MMI consists of eight separate interview stations. Each station takes five minutes to complete and comprises of several questions on the same topic. The duration of the whole interview process is approximately 50 minutes but applicants are required to be in attendance for a few hours on their allocated MMI day. The MMI is designed to assess non-cognitive qualities including maturity; motivation; communication skills; ability to empathise and provide support; attitude towards collaboration and aptitude for decision making.

Shortlisted offshore MD and DPT international applicants residing outside of Australia will be invited to participate in the MMI using Skype technology.

For the Doctor of Medicine course, Skype interviews will take place during the week commencing of 9 September 2019.

Onshore MD international applicants residing in Australia at the time of application must be available to attend an interview in Melbourne. The interviews are scheduled to take place from Monday 30 September to Friday 4 October 2019.
Aptitude Test – MD and DDS

All international applicants residing in Australia at the time of application must sit the GAMSAT. MCAT, DAT and BMAT scores cannot be used by onshore applicants.

Australian GAMSAT results are valid for two years: i.e. if you sat the test in 2019 you may use the results obtained to apply for a graduate entry course commencing in 2020 and/or 2021. As such, GAMSAT 2018 results are also valid for use in applications to courses commencing in 2020. Your GAMSAT results show a score for each of the three test sections and an Overall Score. Applicants for the MD and DDS are assessed on the basis of an average GAMSAT score, where each of the three sections are weighted equally (ie, not the Overall Score).

The GAMSAT is now held in March and September and the differentiation between Australia, UK and Ireland has been removed. There is a very helpful table on the GAMSAT website that shows the validity of all the GAMSAT tests. [https://gamsat.acer.org/results/currency-of-results](https://gamsat.acer.org/results/currency-of-results)

MCAT scores can only be used by MD international applicants who are not residing in Australia at the time of application. MCAT scores are valid for two years, i.e. for applicants applying for entry in 2020 valid MCAT scores are from January 2017 to 1 June 2019. Please note that the final date to submit MCAT scores to the University of Melbourne will be on 14 July 2019.

Official MCAT score reports must be submitted with both the verification code and AAMC ID number visible. Unofficial reports or screen-shots of MCAT score reports will not be accepted.

MCAT scores are no longer accepted for entry to the Doctor of Dental Surgery program.

DDS International applicants residing outside of Australia may also use scores from the United States DAT (Dental Admission Test) or the Canadian DAT (Dental Aptitude Test) or the UK BMAT (Biomedical Admissions Test). These aptitude tests are valid for two years.

Conditional Offers

If an offer is made where a degree, and/or prerequisite subjects are not yet complete, or applicants have not met English language requirements, the offer will be conditional. When final results are received the final GPA will be calculated. Applicants will be expected to maintain or exceed the GPA used when shortlisted for interview.

Applicants enrolled in a combined degree must complete both awards in order to have their offer confirmed.

Applicants in their final year of study must provide evidence of completion of their degree in accordance with deadlines as specified in the Timeline tables on page 3-5.

Quotas

Student Quotas for 2020 are expected to be

- **MD** – 45 international students; 50 domestic full fee students; 237 Commonwealth Supported Places.
- **DDS** – 98 places in total, including domestic and international students.
- **DPT** – Between 100-120 places in total, including domestic and international students.

These quotas are a guide only and are subject to change.
Fees
Information about fees for international students can be found at
https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/fees

Open Days and Information Sessions
University Open Day: Sunday 18 August 2019
For further updates and details of Course Information Sessions refer to
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