



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Doctor of Medicine Admission Pathway (Graduate)

MD Admission Pathway (Graduate) Application Form

Background Information

This pathway is for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants who have completed (or are in their final year) a minimum 3-year bachelor's degree (known as a key degree), seeking admission to the Doctor of Medicine at The University of Queensland. It is an alternate entry pathway to the Graduate Entry Medical School Admission System ([GEMSAS](#)). Individuals applying through this pathway are assessed holistically regarding their suitability for admission to the Doctor of Medicine, using a range of factors including academic, personal, and professional experience.

Entry Pathway Locations

Students entering the MD program via the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway will be based in Greater Brisbane. However, during the application process applicants may choose to preference the Central Queensland - Wide Bay Regional Medical Pathway (CQ-WB RMP) based in either Rockhampton or Bundaberg, or the Darling Downs - Southwest (DD-SW MP) Medical Pathway based in Toowoomba. Applicants wishing to join CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP regions will need to provide documentation of their **Tier eligibility**.

Regional Medical Pathway (RMP) Tier 1: Applicants from Central Queensland - Wide Bay Region

Applicants who have resided in Central Queensland and Wide Bay region for 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively. Refer to the Location Eligibility information [here](#).

Medical Pathway Tier 1: Applicants from Darling Downs - Southwest Region

Applicants who have resided in Darling Downs and Southwest region for 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively. Refer to the Location Eligibility information [here](#).

Tier2

Applicants who have resided in a **rural location** in Australia for 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively.

Tier3

Any applicant who is interested in the CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP.

Eligibility Requirements

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Doctor of Medicine Admission Pathway (Graduate) is available to people who meet the following requirements:

- Confirmation of Aboriginality (CoA) and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of a community organisation may be provided. Where exceptional circumstances apply, a statutory declaration accompanied by supporting materials may be considered. **Original or certified copies of CoAs and/or supporting documentation must be provided.**
- Have successfully completed a key degree (E.g. Undergraduate degree) from an accredited institution within the last 10 years or be currently completing the final year of their key degree. For more information on key degrees, please refer to [PPL 3.40.06d4](#).
- Have successfully completed the two prerequisite courses: Integrative Cell and Tissue Biology (BIOM2011) and Systems Physiology (BIOM2012). For more information on these prerequisites including a current list of alternative courses and programs that can meet this requirement, please visit UQ's [Doctor of Medicine prerequisites and recommended programs for entry](#) website.
- Attend a semi-structured interview with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.
- Participate in a multiple mini-interview (MMI).

It is not mandatory to sit the Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) as part of the entry process. However, applicants may choose to sit the GAMSAT to strengthen their application, particularly if applicants do not have prior undergraduate level studies in biological sciences or related fields.



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Application Process

Applicants are encouraged to contact the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (ATSIS) Unit at atsisaltentry@uq.edu.au to express their interest in applying via the Admission Pathway. To be considered for the admissions pathway applicants must:

- Complete all sections of the application form, **SIGN** and **DATE** the declaration and submit all required documentation as per the checklist by the closing date (see below).
- Provide evidence of their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status. Documentation for Confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status must be under the common seal of a community organisation. Where exceptional circumstances apply, statutory declarations and other forms of supporting documentation may be considered. Original or certified copies of supporting documentation must be provided.
- Provide all required documents listed in Section D of this application form.
- Applicants will be provisionally shortlisted based on supporting documentation and will be invited to attend an interview to discuss their application. Applicants will be contacted to confirm an interview time in August.
- After attending the shortlisting interview, eligible applicants will be required to participate in the MMI in the year of application. Interviews are conducted by the UQ Faculty of Medicine and are mandatory. All potential MD students **MUST** pass the MMI to be offered a place in UQ MD Program. Please see [Multiple mini-interviews for the Doctor of Medicine](#).

Applicants who are successful in the MMI interview and meet all other eligibility requirements, will be offered a place in the UQ MD Program. Offers will be made via UQ Admissions.

Application Outcome

Applicants will be advised in writing of the outcome of their application, once the MMI has been conducted and finalised. If accepted to the Doctor of Medicine program, applicants will commence studies in January of the following year.

Applicants who are yet to complete their key degree or are completing courses to meet the prerequisite requirements by the end of the year of application, will only be eligible for a conditional offer. Conditional offers require applicants to provide evidence of successfully meeting their outstanding requirements by 31 December of the year of application before having their place in UQ's Doctor of Medicine program confirmed.

Deferment

Options to defer the commencement in the MD program are restricted. For information about deferring the MD program refer to [PPL 3.40.06d4](#) or the [Can I defer my commencement of the Doctor of Medicine \(MD\) program?](#) webpage. Any changes to an application, should be communicated to the Faculty of Medicine and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.

GEMSAS

If you wish to be considered for a place in medicine at a range of institutions, you are free to apply separately through GEMSAS before the closing date in addition to applying directly to UQ. If you choose to submit a GEMSAS application, it is important that you include UQ as a preference.

Submission Requirements

Email the signed application with **ALL** requested documentary evidence to:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit
The University of Queensland
ST LUCIA QLD 4072
atsisaltentry@uq.edu.au

APPLICATION CLOSE: 5PM, 1 August 2024



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SECTION A - Personal Details					
Do you identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person? <i>If 'Yes', you are required to provide documentary evidence of your Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status. If 'No', please do not proceed any further. You are ineligible for this Admission Pathway. Please contact UQ Admissions through admissions@uq.edu.au for information regarding your application options.</i>				YES	NO
Family Name:					
Given Name(s):					
Date of Birth:					
Home Address:					
Suburb:		State:	Postcode:		
Mailing Address:					
Suburb:		State:	Postcode:		
Home Phone:		Mobile Number:			
Email Address:					
Tier 1: Do you wish to be considered for the Central Queensland - Wide Bay Region Medical Pathway? <i>If 'Yes', check the box for the location you would prefer. Please note, this is not a guarantee of being placed at your preferred location. If no, proceed to the next question.</i>				Rockhampton	Bundaberg
Tier 1: Do you wish to be considered for the Darling Downs - Southwest Medical Pathway? <i>Upon interview inform the panel of your preference for location.</i>				YES	NO
Tier 2: Have you ever lived in a rural locality for 5 or more continuous years (or 10 years cumulatively)? <i>If 'Yes', please provide details of the rural address that you lived for 5 or more continuous years (or 10 years cumulatively).</i>				YES	NO
Rural Address:					
Suburb:		State:	Postcode:		
SECTION B – Education					
Have you completed the GAMSAT in the last 4 years? <i>If 'Yes', please attach GAMSAT results. NB: It is not mandatory to sit the GAMSAT if applying via the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Pathway.</i>				YES	NO
Have you applied through GEMSAS?		YES	NO	GEMSAS Application No.	
Have you completed or are you about to complete a key degree (E.g., Bachelor of Health Sciences) from an accredited institution?				Yes	No
Name of Key Degree					
Have you ever been a student at The University of Queensland?		YES	NO	UQ Student Number If known.	



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<p>Have you completed the two prerequisites or equivalent? Integrative Cell and Tissue Biology (BIOM2011) and Systems Physiology (BIOM2012) If equivalent completed, list courses/subjects successfully completed that meet these requirements. For information on equivalent pre-requisite courses, click here.</p>		<p>YES</p>	<p>NO</p>
<p>Course/subject code</p>	<p>Course/Subject Title</p>	<p>University</p>	
<p>Please list all prior and current tertiary level studies, completed or otherwise: <i>This includes university level studies, TAFE Courses, apprenticeships, evening courses, bridging courses, professional development, short courses, and community-based courses. If you have more than 6 courses, please attach details</i></p>			
<p>Institution</p>	<p>Course/Program Name</p>	<p>Duration of Enrolment</p>	
<p>Please list any academic, leadership or community service awards or achievements that are relevant to your application and evidence Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community engagement e.g. QATSIF, NAIDOC events, Acknowledgements to Country, etc. <i>You will need to provide copies of certificates or awards if listed here.</i></p>			
<p>Please provide a personal statement outlining why you would like to study medicine at UQ (200 words max.).</p>			



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SECTION C – Declaration

I declare that the information supplied on this form and in the accompanying documents is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that completion of this application does not guarantee an offer of a place at The University of Queensland. I give permission to UQ to obtain information relating to my application from GEMSAS (if applicable). I understand that the University is not responsible for documents submitted with this application and that the documents become the property of the University.

Applicant Signature

Date:

Please note: Incomplete and/or unsigned applications will not be processed.

SECTION D – Document Checklist

Document Checklist (please tick):

Completed and signed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Doctor of Medicine Admission Pathway (Graduate) application form (including a personal statement).

Certified copy of your Confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of an incorporated community organisation or, in exceptional circumstances, a statutory declaration accompanied by supporting documentation.

Academic transcripts and/or certificate of completion from previous enrolments in educational courses or programs.

If applicable, GAMSAT results.

If you have preferred CQ-WB RMP or DD-SW MP regions, please provide evidence of having lived in the region for **5 consecutive years or 10 accumulative years residence**.

HIGHLY DESIRABLE:

Reference letters - evidence of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community engagement.

Support evidence of any academic, leadership or community service awards or achievements relevant to your application.

Evidence of competency in biomedical sciences (anatomy, physiology, other) to a 2nd year Undergraduate level.

Please contact the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit for assistance.

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