Forest Stewardship Council (FSC®) is a globally recognised certification overseeing all fibre sourcing standards. This provides guarantees for the consumer that products are made of woodchips from well-managed forests, other controlled sources and reclaimed material with strict environmental, economical and social standards.
1. **Innovative curriculum**
We strongly emphasise the basic sciences and anatomy. Throughout the course, we focus on small group learning and integrating theory with practice.

2. **Early patient care**
You will gain hands-on experience in a structured, supervised program throughout years 1 and 2, and will be well prepared when you transfer to your clinical schools in stage 3 (years 3 and 4).

3. **Teaching hospitals**
Sydney Medical School provides clinical training through its clinical schools in an extensive network of top-tier hospitals across New South Wales. These hospitals offer the most advanced healthcare in the country. They include:
- Royal Prince Alfred Hospital
- Royal North Shore Hospital
- Westmead Hospital
- The Children's Hospital at Westmead
- Concord Hospital
- Nepean Hospital
- Sydney Adventist Hospital
- Dubbo Base Hospital
- Orange Base Hospital
- Lismore Base Hospital
- Broken Hill Base Hospital.

4. **Research excellence**
You will have access to world-leading researchers, and research institutes and networks. Our research is organised around the key themes of cancer; healthy ageing; infection and immunological conditions; reproductive, maternal and child health; neurosciences and mental health; and obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

5. **Research training**
We offer formal training in research methods in the first year of the program, encompassing the basic principles of health and medical research, research governance and ethics, and the basics of research methods in biomedical, clinical and public health.

You will undertake a substantial research project as part of the course, providing experience in project organisation and management, literature searching and reference management, data analysis, oral presentation skills and scientific writing.

6. **Rural experience**
With campuses in Dubbo and Orange, as well as departments in Broken Hill and Lismore, our School of Rural Health provides clinical placements throughout central, northern and western NSW. We also work in partnership with the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia.

7. **Overseas opportunities**
We encourage you to participate in an international elective. Sydney Medical School has extensive international connections, both in countries in our region and in major research centres in North America and Europe.

You can take undertake a four to eight week clinical or research placement during your elective term.

Many of our students also undertake optional placements overseas during the year-end break. Our students have recently travelled to Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Sweden and Vietnam, to name just a few.

8. **International students**
If you are an international student, Sydney Medical School recognises that you may benefit from gaining experience in your home country.

There are opportunities for you to undertake elective rotations in your home country with the aim of allowing you to more easily return home after your studies in Sydney.

Learn more:
- sydney.edu.au/medicine/md
Did you know?

We are ranked:
- 17th in the medicine category of the 2015 QS World University Rankings
- 33rd in the clinical, pre-clinical and health category of the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2015-16.

Inside view

Samantha Jaensch
Graduated in 2015

“My time at the University of Sydney Medical School has given me the skills to direct my own learning, exposed me to a broad range of specialties, and introduced me to people I will be working alongside throughout my career. Being surrounded by people with different backgrounds, skills and life experiences is just one aspect of the Sydney medical program for which I am most thankful.”
Doctor of Medicine

Our Doctor of Medicine (MD) program is an excellent training platform on which to build a career in medicine. Our graduates provide professional, diligent and ethical care to the community.

You will receive extensive clinical training with clinical experience from the second week of your studies. This takes place in our teaching hospitals throughout Sydney and NSW.

In years 1 and 2, the program is largely based on campus. In years 3 and 4, you will be immersed in clinical settings.

The Doctor of Medicine offers you:
- skills and knowledge so that you are well prepared for future medical practice
- opportunities to experience health in an international setting
- research training that will inspire you to create new knowledge
- opportunities to experience rural health.

Who are our students?

Here is a breakdown of the fields in which our students typically study before joining the Doctor of Medicine program.
Accreditation
The Doctor of Medicine has been accredited by the Australian Medical Council (AMC).

Inside view
Tyler Groves
Graduated in 2015

“Clinical placements are a great opportunity to refine your practical skills and apply the academic knowledge you have gained. From the very first week, I was placed at a hospital, observing patients and learning from physicians. I quickly realised that performing procedures and interacting with patients is easier said than done, and the only way to get comfortable in overwhelming clinical settings is to get as much experience as you can.”
The MD program comprises four broad themes that run throughout the four-year curriculum. Each are supported by online learning materials. The themes are:

- Basic and Clinical Sciences
- Patient and Doctor
- Population Medicine
- Personal and Professional Development

**Basic and Clinical Sciences**

provide the scientific foundation for your medical studies. You will cover the medical sciences of physiology, anatomy and histology, pharmacology and pathology, both in lectures and in practical laboratory sessions.

**Patient and Doctor**

sessions cover clinical knowledge and skills, clinical reasoning and clinical communication.

**Population Medicine**

provides a population-wide context of health and medicine, including epidemiology of disease and the delivery of healthcare.

**Personal and Professional Development**

sessions include aspects of personal development and professionalism, the law relevant to medical practice, ethics, patient safety and medical humanities.

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**Stages**

The course is delivered in three stages. Stages 1 and 2 cover years 1 and 2 respectively. Stage 3 covers years 3 and 4.

**Stages 1 and 2**

During the first two stages (years 1 and 2), you will work through study blocks that cover all body systems, from both basic science and clinical perspectives, with an emphasis on understanding the scientific foundations of clinical reasoning and clinical practice. The study blocks cover:

- human structure and function
- mechanisms of health and disease in all major body systems
- rationale for prevention, diagnosis and treatment, with particular reference to mechanisms of health and disease
- the population context of health, disease and health-service delivery
- the development of professionalism within a culturally diverse society
- the development of information skills

**Stage 3**

This stage covers all major aspects of clinical medicine. You will be based in clinical schools and also participate in a research project and commence an elective term.

The final rotation of the medical program (in year 4) is a four-week pre-intern term.

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**Research**

In stage 1 you will undertake formal training in research methods. In stages 2 and 3 you will apply this knowledge and undertake a substantial research or capstone project.

- sydney.edu.au/medicine/md

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**Internships**

On satisfactory completion of an internship with an approved hospital, graduates are eligible for registration to practise in Australia and New Zealand.

In Australia, internships are provided by state health departments. For information about internships in NSW, refer to the Health Education and Training Institute (HETI).

- www.heti.nsw.gov.au

Please note: we cannot guarantee internships for international students.

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**Entry pathways**

There are two ways to enter the Doctor of Medicine (MD) program.

**Graduate entry**

is a four-year postgraduate course for applicants with a bachelor’s degree.

**Undergraduate entry**

is a seven-year double degree undergraduate program, combining the MD with a degree in Commerce, Economics, Medical Science, Music or Science (Advanced). It is for high school leavers who have achieved exceptional results.
Program snapshot

Stage 1 (Year 1)

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Introduction to Research Methodology, research project or capstone planning

Stage 2 (Year 2)

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Research project or capstone planning

Stage 3 (Years 3 and 4 have a stream structure made up of eight-week blocks)

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Research project or capstone completion

Please note: the order of blocks of study in the medical program may change slightly from year to year.
Inside view

Lauren Smith
Undertook a paediatrics elective in Cambodia in 2014
Graduated in 2015

“The two months that I spent at the Children’s Surgical Centre in Phnom Penh changed my perspective of medicine and taught me more than I ever thought possible in such a short time. I saw pathology that I would never have had the chance to see at home.”

“I developed skills in effective leadership, working with limited resources, decision-making, and the politics of international aid. I also gained an appreciation for the culture of medicine in Australia. I would highly recommend this placement to anyone interested in surgery and international medical aid.”
Graduate entry

If you already have a bachelor’s degree, you may be able to enter the Doctor of Medicine (MD) as a graduate entry student.

**Doctor of Medicine (MD)**

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**Places**

The intake for the Doctor of Medicine is about 300 students each year.

There are about 228 Commonwealth-supported places, including 65 Bonded Medical Places, which have specific conditions.

- sydney.edu.au/medicine/study/md/fees-places-scholarships.php

For international students, there are about 70 full-fee-paying places available.

**Admission requirements**

Domestic and international applicants need to have a bachelor’s degree with a minimum credit average. Detailed requirements are in the Admissions Guide, which you can download from our website:

- sydney.edu.au/medicine/md

If you are a domestic student, you need to have achieved a competitive performance in the Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) including a minimum of 50 in each section.

If you are an international student, you can submit GAMSAT or Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) results. Please note: there are special requirements for US citizens.

All applicants also need to undertake, and be scored in, an interview. To determine rankings for entry, we combine your interview score with GAMSAT scores (or converted MCAT score).

**How to apply**

**Domestic applicants**

You need to complete three separate components:

1. Submit an online Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS) application to the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC).
2. Submit an online application directly to the University of Sydney.
3. Complete an online confirmation page, unless you have prior notification that your application has been unsuccessful.

**International applicants**

There are two separate components to making an international application:

1. Submit your application for the MD, which you can do either:
   - online, via the University admission page; or
   - through a University representative (agent). Agents need to submit an online MD application via the University admission webpage by the due date.

2. Complete an online confirmation page at the time of making an interview booking, unless you have been notified that your application has been unsuccessful.

**More information**

For further details on domestic and international admissions, please refer to our website:

- sydney.edu.au/medicine/md
Entry from high school

If you are finishing high school this year, and expect to achieve outstanding results, you may be able to take the MD as a double degree pathway.

In this program, you will first study a bachelor’s degree before proceeding into the Doctor of Medicine in your fourth or fifth year of study.

The double degrees we offer are:
- Bachelor of Commerce/MD
- Bachelor of Economics/MD
- Bachelor of Medical Science/MD
- Bachelor of Music Studies/MD
- Bachelor of Science (Advanced)/MD.

### Places
Each year, up to 30 domestic and 10 international places are offered for the double degree medical program.

Up to five additional places in the double Medical Science and Science (Advanced) degree are open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

### Admission requirements
Entry to the double degree requires a very high ATAR. For students commencing in 2017, the ATAR is expected to be 99.95.

International applicants require an ATAR of 99.5 (or the international equivalent) to be considered. The cut-off for 2016 was 99.95.

Potential students also need to perform satisfactorily in an assessment process including a written assessment and an interview. In addition, Music/MD applicants need to pass an audition.

To progress into the MD, you need to complete the initial bachelor’s degree within three years (or four years with honours), excluding any authorised periods of suspension, and maintain a credit average in each of the first three years of the degree.

### How to apply
You will need to apply for the double degree Doctor of Medicine pathway at the first opportunity after graduating from high school, regardless of when your results are available.

Find out more about eligibility and how to apply:
- [sydney.edu.au/medicine/md](sydney.edu.au/medicine/md)
Fees and costs

**Domestic students**

Most domestic students undertaking postgraduate coursework degrees at the University of Sydney study in a fee-paying place. However, domestic postgraduate students in the Doctor of Medicine study in Commonwealth-supported places (CSPs), assessed on a competitive basis for admission.

The student contribution amounts and, where applicable, tuition fees on sydney.edu.au/courses are an estimate only of the fees payable in the advertised calendar year of study. The Doctor of Medicine is only offered as a full-time program. Fees are based on a full-time student enrolment load of 48 credit points per year (1.0 EFTSL). If, under special circumstances, your study load for the year is more or less than 1.0 EFTSL your tuition fee or student contribution amount will differ. Exact student contribution amounts for your course will depend on the specific units of study in which you enrol.

An international student who is granted Australian permanent residency (or New Zealand citizenship) after enrolling in the Doctor of Medicine will be transferred to a domestic full fee paying place. If the student obtains Permanent Residency Status or advises the University after the census date, the student will be classified as an international student for the remainder of that semester. The student will be classified as a permanent resident from the following semester or term.

**International students**

The tuition fees on sydney.edu.au/courses are an estimate only of the fees payable in the advertised calendar year of study. The Doctor of Medicine is only offered as a full-time program. Fees are based on a full-time student enrolment load of 48 credit points per year (1.0 EFTSL). If, under special circumstances, your study load for the year is more or less than 1.0 EFTSL your tuition fee will differ.

**Annual review**

Importantly, for students with Commonwealth-supported places, the student contribution amounts are reviewed annually by the University, and will increase each year of your period of study (subject to a maximum student contribution amount determined by the Australian Government), effective at the start of each calendar year. For more information, visit www.studyassist.gov.au

The University’s tuition fees for domestic and international fee-paying postgraduate students are subject to annual review, and will increase each year of your period of study, effective at the start of each calendar year.

**Other costs**

In addition to fees, you should budget for:

- additional course costs. Some costs are significant for faculty-specific materials and textbooks, tools, protective clothing, and equipment. For more information about additional costs, visit your faculty’s website at sydney.edu.au/faculties
- the Student Services and Amenities (SSA) fee.

The following costs are specific to international students:

- health insurance through the Overseas Student Health Cover scheme. This is an Australian Government requirement for student visa holders: sydney.edu.au/pg-int-health
- education expenses for students’ children: schools.nsw.edu.au/international
- living expenses such as food and rent: sydney.edu.au/study/finances-fees-costs/living-costs.html

**Double degrees – price differentiation**

For students enrolling in a double degree course, eg a Bachelor of Commerce and Doctor of Medicine, please note that tuition fees and student contribution amounts for the postgraduate component of the degree will be higher than the undergraduate component of the degree. When you are calculating the likely total cost of your course please carefully factor in this price differentiation.

**More information**

For more information about course-related and other incidental costs, financial assistance, loans, and the availability of scholarships, please visit sydney.edu.au/study/finances-fees-costs.html

If you have other specific questions about fees or need more information, please get in touch with us: sydney.edu.au/contact-us
Admissions timeline for 2017 entry

Deadlines are published on Sydney Medical School website and are final, late applications cannot be considered. The timeline below is an indicative guide for 2017.

- sydney.edu.au/medicine/md

**Domestic students**
- Late January/Early February
  - GAMSAT registrations close
- Mid March
  - GAMSAT is held
- Mid-May
  - Online applications open
  - GAMSAT results are released
- Early to mid June
  - UAC Qualification Assessment applications close
  - Online applications close
- Late August – early September
  - Interviews take place

**International students**
- Mid-May
  - Online applications open
- Early to mid-June
  - Applications close
- Early August
  - Interviews take place

The admission timeline may be subject to change. Applicants should note that the most up-to-date information on dates is on the website.
- sydney.edu.au/medicine/md
One more thing to consider

Your journey to university is as unique as you are.

At the University of Sydney, you have the opportunity to develop your expertise and help make a positive contribution to the health and wellbeing of individuals and the broader community.

This guide provides the key information you need to apply for our Doctor of Medicine degree, but the next step is up to you.

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