Admission to candidature

(1) Available places will be offered to qualified applicants based on merit, according to the following admission criteria.

(2) Admission to the Sydney Medical Program requires:

   a) completion of a bachelor degree comprising at least three full-time equivalent years of study-from either:
      a. an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution listed in the Australian Qualifications Framework; or
      b. an overseas university listed in the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Guide; and
   b) a demonstrated sustained academic performance to a standard considered satisfactory by the Dean or Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. In assessing sustained academic performance the Dean or Deputy Dean may, at his or her discretion, consider performance in the Bachelor’s degree(s) and/or performance in any graduate diploma, master or doctoral degree (or equivalent); and
   c) performance in an admissions test approved by the Dean or Deputy Dean to a standard considered satisfactory by the Dean or Deputy Dean; and
   d) performance in an interview to a standard considered satisfactory by the Dean or Deputy Dean.

(3) If the bachelor’s degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which the applicant is seeking enrolment, the applicant must, in addition, have completed within this 10 year period a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma (or equivalent), from either:

   a. an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution listed in the Australian Qualifications Framework; or
   b. an overseas university listed in the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Guide.

(4) An applicant will not be admitted to candidature for the medical program unless he or she has completed a bachelor degree prior to 1 January of the year in which the applicant intends to commence the medical program.

(5) The official results listed on an applicant’s transcript, and his or her admission test results, will be taken as the awarding and testing authorities’ assessment of the academic standards reached by the applicant, taking due account of illness and misadventure according to the authorities’ policies.

(6) A person who has commenced the medical program in a fee-paying or bonded place at the University will not be eligible for admission or transfer to a Commonwealth supported or non-bonded place in the medical program.

(7) Subject to the approval of the Academic Board, the Faculty of Medicine may establish special admission schemes for defined classes of applicant, including:

   a. applicants who are of rural origin;
   b. Indigenous applicants.

(8) The Faculty of Medicine may establish a maximum quota for the number of applicants for admission as candidates for the medical program within a special admission scheme.

(9) The Faculty of Medicine will publish details of any special admission schemes approved by the Academic Board.

(10) A committee consisting of the Dean, Deputy Deans and Head of the Medical Program may confirm or withdraw an offer which has been made to an applicant but which is not in accordance with the admission criteria.