



Macquarie MD

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS GUIDE 2026

APPLICATION DATES

Applications for international students open on **1 March 2025** and close on **1 October 2025**.



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TIMELINE



PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE GUIDE CAREFULLY

The following information is provided as general guidance to international applicants to the Macquarie MD (Doctor of Medicine) at Macquarie University. All applicants should routinely check the [Macquarie MD website](#) for up-to-date admission information.

HOW MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY WILL CONTACT YOU

Email will be the primary means of contact between Macquarie University and applicants.

It is essential that you provide a current email address which will be valid from March 2025 to February 2026 and that you regularly check your emails.

You are advised to provide an email address other than your current university address unless it will be available until February 2026.

Some email messages may be blocked or flagged as spam by some email providers. To help prevent this add medicine@mq.edu.au to your 'safe senders' list and contacts file and regularly check your junk mail folder, especially if you use a web-based email client such as Gmail or Hotmail.

Macquarie University will not be held responsible for undeliverable or unread email communication.

Email medicine@mq.edu.au to advise any change to your email or postal address.

FURTHER INFORMATION

You should first visit [Macquarie MD website](#) and carefully read the detailed information on the Macquarie MD.

Email medicine@mq.edu.au for more information about the general application process.

ADMISSION POLICIES

Offers

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept an offer of a place. Offers not accepted by that date will lapse.

If an applicant declines an offer of a place, or allows the offer to lapse, they will not be considered for another place or receive another offer in the 2026 intake.

Deferral

Deferral of a place is not granted, and applicants must reapply if they wish to be considered for the following year.

Exclusion

An applicant who has been excluded from any university must indicate this when they apply. Applicants whom this applies to may be contacted for further details.

Admission and application irregularities

Applicants should be aware that the presentation of forged documents is a criminal offence in Australia and that universities may take appropriate action in such cases. All tertiary study must be declared in the application. 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, withdrawal of an offer of admission, or cancellation of an enrolment. Applicants who submit fraudulent documents or otherwise seek to gain an advantage by fraudulent means may be banned from future applications to Macquarie University.

Only your first submitted application will be processed.

Macquarie University policies

Details on admission policies for the Macquarie MD are provided in the entry requirements section of this guide and on the [Macquarie MD website](#).

If you have been offered a place in another program and you intend to accept that place, please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your Macquarie application as soon as possible.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Macquarie University makes every effort to ensure the accuracy of information provided in this admission guide at the time of publication. Applicants are responsible for determining their eligibility to apply and should consult the [Macquarie MD website](#) for more detailed information and updates.

Please submit your application directly to [International Admissions at Macquarie University](#) or via an [authorised representative](#) in your home country. Ensure you complete and upload the compulsory Supplementary Form as part of your online application.

Applicants/authorised representatives can submit applications from 1 March 2025 until 1 October 2025.

There are three key components of the application process, as outlined below.

<p>1. Inherent requirements and compliance</p>	<p>Applicants need to ensure they are able to meet the Macquarie MD's Inherent Requirements and relevant Macquarie University and NSW Health compliance requirements including immunisation, police checks, and Working with Children checks. Inherent Requirements and all relevant policy and compliance information can be found on the Macquarie MD website.</p>
<p>2. Certified tertiary academic transcripts</p>	<p>International applicants are required to submit (via online upload as part of the application) certified copies of all tertiary academic transcripts.</p> <p>Academic transcripts from tertiary study are used to calculate each applicant's grade point average (GPA). Refer to the entry requirements section of this guide for details on how the GPA will be calculated.</p>
<p>3. MCAT/GAMSAT</p>	<p>International applicants residing outside of Australia at the time of application can choose to submit Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) scores or Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) scores.</p> <p>MCAT scores will be used and weighted for selection for interview and offer in the same way that GAMSAT scores are used (see Interviews and Offers sections below).</p> <p>MCAT</p> <p>MCAT scores submitted must satisfy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a minimum total score of 500 • completion within three years of intended enrolment. <p>GAMSAT</p> <p>International applicants residing in Australia at the time of application can submit GAMSAT scores.</p> <p>GAMSAT scores submitted must satisfy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a minimum overall score of 50 • a minimum of 50 in each of the three sections • completion within four years of intended enrolment.

Documents to upload as part of your application

Applicants need to upload supporting documentation as part of the online application. Documents required are:

- certified tertiary academic transcripts
- MCAT/GAMSAT scores
- Proof of English language proficiency (IELTS, or equivalent) [English Language Requirements](#)
- supplementary form

Failure to include all requested documents may disadvantage you. Please send only those documents specifically requested.



BACHELOR DEGREE

All applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, a bachelor or honours degree. Undergraduate Australian degrees must be from a [Commonwealth-accredited institution](#). Overseas degrees must be recognised by the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit (previously AEI-NOOSR) as equivalent to an Australian bachelor degree. Your qualification(s) will be assessed for equivalency as part of the application process.

For those in the final year of study, satisfactory completion of the course in 2025 is a condition of entry. If you cannot complete your course and provide evidence of completion in the 2025 calendar year, any offer you have received that is conditional upon completion of your current course may be withdrawn.

Do not contact the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit for assessment of your degree.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Macquarie University will calculate a grade point average (GPA) from certified academic transcripts uploaded as part of your application. Certified transcripts must be submitted as part of your online application. Refer to the entry requirements section of this guide for a detailed description of how your GPA will be calculated.

Macquarie University encourages individuals from diverse educational backgrounds who will bring to the profession a variety of talents and interests. No preference is given to graduates with particular bachelor degrees. The GPA indicates the level of performance in the qualifying degree. There is no differentiation of GPA between institutions or programs.



MD Welcome Event



ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants can meet the English requirements for the Macquarie MD in two ways as outlined below.

Tertiary qualifications

Applicants will meet English language requirements if their secondary and tertiary qualification(s) have been taught and assessed in English in a country where English is the native or first language.

Applicants need to ensure they can meet

[AHPRA requirements for medical practitioners](#).

IELTS, or equivalent

Applicants who do not meet the above English language requirements must provide evidence of meeting either the following International English Language Testing System (IELTS) scores or an equivalent:

- a minimum overall score of 7.0
- a minimum score of 7.0 in each band.

Minimum IELTS scores must be achieved in one sitting of the test less than two years from intended enrolment.

For full details on accepted English Language tests, please refer to the [Macquarie English Language requirements](#).



INTERVIEWS

The interview is designed to assess qualities considered by Macquarie University to be associated with success in both the study of medicine and later practice and is conducted by trained interviewers. Academic performance is not discussed at the interview.

Applicants who are successful in receiving an interview place will be invited to participate in a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI). Interviews will be conducted via Zoom.

Applicants are selected for interview based on the following criteria:

- GPA score
- MCAT/GAMSAT score
- Supplementary form
- Meeting English language requirements.

Macquarie University ranks applicants based on a selection rank derived from a 50/50 combination of weighted GPA and overall MCAT/GAMSAT score.

Selected applicants receive an invitation to interview via email. For interview selection, photographic identity, such as a valid passport, will be required for identification purposes.

Applicants must meet all expenses associated with attending the interview.

Applicants unsuccessful in receiving an interview will be notified via email by Macquarie University. Applicants who were not interviewed will not participate in further processing.

OFFERS

Applicants will be ranked and selected for offer based on the following:

- 50% GPA
- 50% MMI score

Applicants offered a place in the program will be notified via email.

Applicants unsuccessful in receiving a place in the program will be notified via email.

If you have been offered a place in another program and you intend to accept that place, then please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your application as soon as possible.

QUOTAS

All Doctor of Medicine places at Macquarie University are either domestic full-fee paying or international and will be allocated based on the ranking of the applicant.

2025 Macquarie MD quota

International places	Domestic places
20	60

This quota is indicative only and therefore subject to change.

CHANGE OF STATUS

Students whose residency status changes from international to domestic at any point during the admissions process, and prior to course commencement, will need to notify the University immediately and will be expected to participate in the domestic admissions process including Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs) if selected. Students changing status following receipt or acceptance of an offer from the University, will be considered for a domestic offer taking into account domestic offers and the domestic quota and availability of places. Students who have accepted an international place and are not made an offer for a domestic place, will be entitled to a full refund of their commencement fee.

Applicants should contact medicine@mq.edu.au if they have any questions about this process.

FAQS ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Will the GAMSAT UK or Ireland scores or the March or September GAMSAT scores be acceptable for entry to GAMSAT Consortium medical schools?

GAMSAT Ireland and UK are treated the same as GAMSAT Australia. The GAMSAT is now held in March and September and the differentiation between Australia, the UK and Ireland has been removed. Visit the [GAMSAT website](#) for a table that shows the validity of all the GAMSAT tests.

What is the definition of an honours year, in terms of GPA calculations?

There are two types of honours year programs: standalone and embedded. If you could have completed the bachelor degree and done your honours year at another university, it is standalone. If not, it is embedded. Standalone honours are used as the final GPA year along with the last two years of the preceding bachelor degree. With embedded honours, the most recent three years of the program are used.

I have done (or I am completing) an honours year. Will this be used for selection?

We include honours results in GPA calculations; however, this can become problematic where the honours year isn't complete. Typically, honours results are only available at the end of the honours year and we do a GPA calculation for allocating applicants to interviews in the middle of the year. You would probably have a GPA calculated on your bachelor degree used for getting an interview and then when the honours results are available, they would be used to confirm any conditional or provisional offer you may have been made. However, if you do have results for honours from Semester/Session 1, these may be used in your GPA calculation together with results from the last two years of your bachelor degree.

What is the minimum full-time equivalent (FTE) study load in Semester/Session 1 of current year study to be included in GPA calculations?

There is no minimum FTE study load for Semester/Session 1 of the current year of study for inclusion in the GPA calculations.

Will my honours subject results or the overall honours grade be used in my GPA calculation?

Where an honours year is eligible to be included; if your honours year consists of subjects which have results then these will be used to calculate your GPA. If there are no subject results, and only an overall honours grade, that will be used. If both subject results and an overall honours grade are available, the higher GPA will be used.

How do I allocate subjects to years to calculate my GPA?

Calculating your GPA: take the total credit points and divide by the years normally taken to do the course. This will give you the number of credit points to allocate to each GPA year.

Example: Assume that all the units you did were of equal credit point value. If you did 24 units in a three-year degree you would allocate 8 units a year. Working backwards chronologically, take the most recently completed 8 units and allocate them to the Final GPA year. Then take the next 8 units and allocate them to the Final- minus-1 GPA year, and the remaining 8 units will be the Final-minus-2 GPA year.

How are subjects allocated to the three GPA years?

We allocate by the year in which subjects were taken and not the level of the subjects. We use full-time equivalent (FTE) study loads to allocate subjects to GPA years so we can take part-time, overloading and subjects of differing credit point values into consideration.

Does Macquarie University use postgraduate study?

Macquarie University will calculate a GPA including graduate diploma and coursework masters, if this degree will be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Completed Higher Degree Research Masters and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees will be used in GPA calculations. Only one postgraduate qualification will be used in calculation, this will be the highest or most recent qualification.

I've done a postgraduate degree. Do I calculate my GPA on that or on my undergraduate degree?

Macquarie University will calculate a GPA including graduate diploma and coursework masters, if this degree will be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Completed Higher Degree Research Masters and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees will be used in GPA calculations. See the entry requirements section of this guide for further information.

Can I get my interview score or ranking data?

Macquarie University is not able to provide any ranking data or interview scores. Many factors impact on who gets an offer, as outlined in this Guide.

How are offers released?

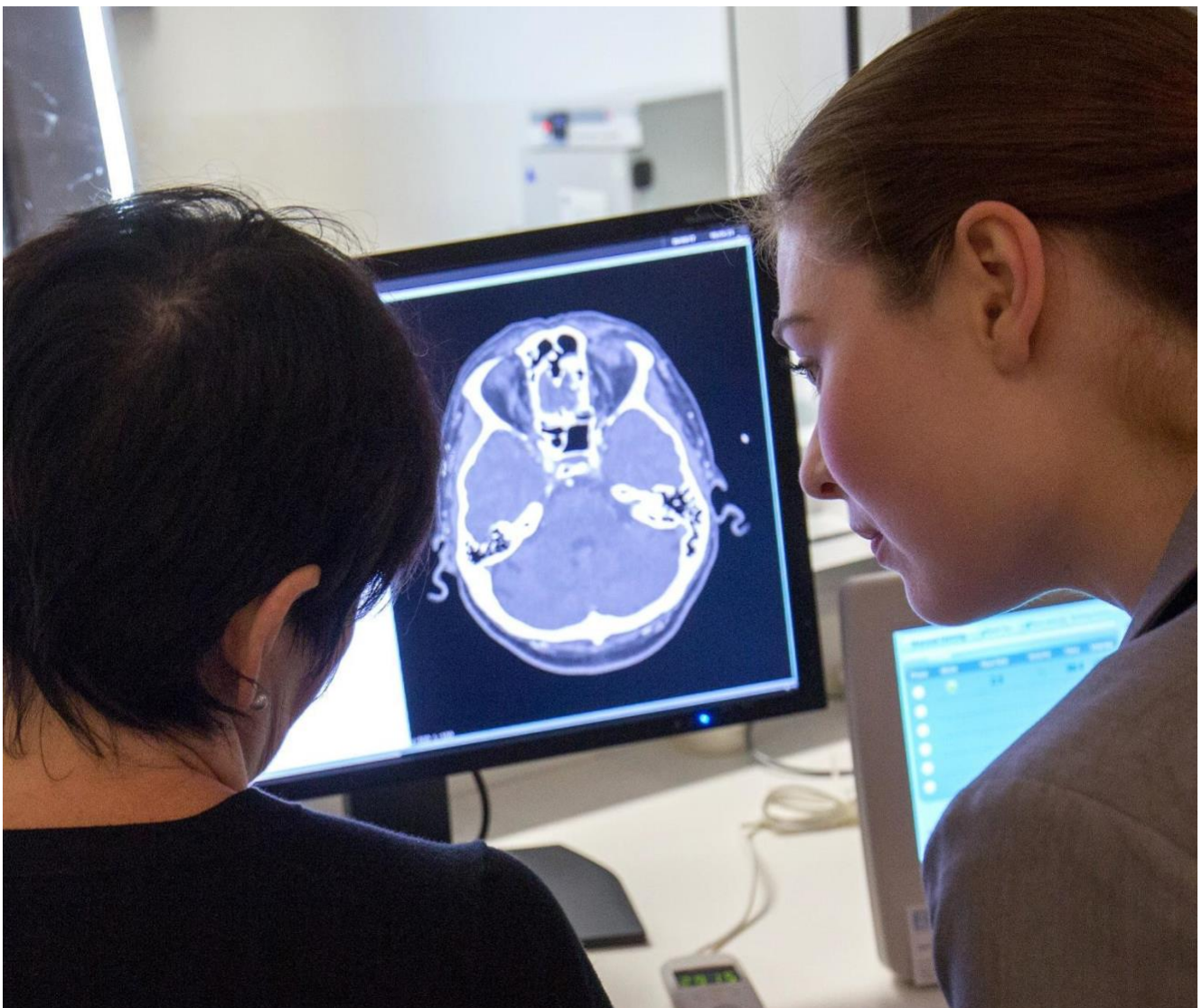
All offers are decided following interview and unsuccessful applicants are notified by email within 2 weeks of interview. Please make sure you have listed medicine@mq.edu.au as a 'trusted sender' in your email system.

What is a conditional offer?

If you are made an offer of a place, and you have not completed your degree for Macquarie University, then the offer will be conditional. When we get your final results, we will calculate your final GPA and check that it meets any conditions put on your offer (e.g. maintaining a stated GPA). If it does, your offer will be confirmed, and if it doesn't meet the conditions, the offer will be withdrawn. Applicants enrolled in a combined course and who receive a conditional offer for a place at Macquarie University must complete both awards to have their offer confirmed.

I have not received an offer in the current round – what happens now?

If you do not receive an offer of a place in a current round (provided it is not the October round) of offers after interview, your application will remain in the system for further consideration in the next offer round.





HOW TO APPLY

1. Complete the online application form

To apply for admission to a program commencing in 2026, you must complete and submit the online application form by no later than **1 October 2025**. Visit the [Macquarie MD website](#) from 1 March 2025 to commence your application. Please do not leave submission until the last minute as system overloading can impact your ability to meet the deadline.

Late applications will **NOT** be accepted.

Remember to include medicine@mq.edu.au as a trusted email address, to ensure messages from Macquarie are not treated as spam and sent to your junk folder. We cannot be held responsible for any email not reaching/being read by you.

2. Ensure all relevant documents are uploaded

Documents required are:

- certified tertiary academic transcripts
- MCAT/GAMSAT
- IELTS or equivalent (if required)
- supplementary form

Failure to include all requested documents may disadvantage you. Please send **only** those documents specifically requested.

FAQS ABOUT COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

I'm still studying this year; do I need to submit a 2025 transcript?

Applicants completing their qualifying degree in 2025 will be assessed on the basis of the information available at the time of application. Semester/Session 1 (or Trimester 1), 2025 results will be included in the assessment for interview if they are available at the time of assessment.

Applicants completing their degree in 2025 will only be offered an interview if the GPA at the time of application (with 2025 results to date) meets the required level.

Such applicants should also note that while decisions on interview offers will be made on the basis of results available at the time of application, final 2025 results may be used to determine offer of a place. Refer to the entry requirements section in this guide for more information.

What study should I declare in the application?

ALL tertiary study must be declared (this includes completed and incomplete study), whether relevant or not to your key degree.

How do I submit the supplementary form for Macquarie University?

Supplementary forms are completed and submitted with your application.

HOW CAN YOU ASSIST MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY?

- Ensure your online application is submitted, once it has been completed and reviewed, before the deadline. No late submissions will be accepted.
- Alert Macquarie University as soon as possible if there is a technical (or any other) issue with your online application, so the issue can be resolved before the submission deadline.
- Ensure you declare all your tertiary study in the application (this includes completed and incomplete study).
- Ensure you inform Macquarie University if there is a delay in obtaining a Semester/Session 2 result (e.g. sitting a special or deferred exam).
- Please upload only those documents that have been specifically requested.
- Your contact details need to be operational. Inform Macquarie University if they change.
- Completions (academic transcript showing that you have completed your program) must be sent to Macquarie University as soon as possible (by 31 December 2025) if you have been made a conditional offer of a place.
- If there is a delay in obtaining final results (if you have received a conditional offer of a place), alert Macquarie University as soon as possible (e.g. sitting a special exam). Please ensure you alert Macquarie University well before the 31 December 2025 deadline.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Macquarie University – Doctor of Medicine (Macquarie MD)

Contact details

Email	medicine@mq.edu.au
Telephone	+61 2 9850 4538
Web	Macquarie MD website

The MD Program

Places available in 2025: Quotas are subject to change.

International 20 places

Doctor of Medicine selection policies All applicants should refer to the Macquarie MD website for detailed information on the program including selection and program policies.

Australian and international clinical placements The Macquarie MD requires students to attend clinical placements in Australian and international settings.

Bachelor degree and GPA

Bachelor degree

Applicants must have completed a bachelor degree or be in their final year of a bachelor course (scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application). The bachelor degree must be:

- a level 7 Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualification, or an equivalent overseas degree listed in the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit (previously AEI-NOOSR).
- Conversion degrees are not accepted. Any bachelor degree that has study credited from a qualification below a bachelor degree is considered a conversion degree.

Bachelor degrees must be completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment unless the applicant meets accepted postgraduate study requirements.

Only the following postgraduate study is accepted:

- Graduate Diploma
- Coursework Masters
- Higher Degree Research Masters
- Doctor of Philosophy.

Postgraduate coursework (graduate diploma and coursework masters) must be:

- complete or scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application
- completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment.

Postgraduate research (Higher Degree Research Masters and Doctor of Philosophy) must be:

- complete at the time of application
- completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment.

Grade point average

Applicants are required to have achieved:

- a minimum weighted grade point average (GPA) of 5.0 out of 7.0 to be considered for interview.

Note that entry is competitive, and a GPA required for interview selection is likely to be significantly higher than 5.0 out of 7.0.

GPA is calculated through consideration of relevant tertiary transcripts from completed programs or programs scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application.

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The GPA calculation considers full-time equivalent (FTE) years of study. The weightings used give higher level results greater value.

Applicants with bachelor degree only will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Final year (most recent FTE year of study) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (second most recent FTE year of study) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (third most recent FTE year of study) = x 1.

Applicants with a bachelor degree and standalone honours year will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Final year (honours) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree) = x 1.

Applicants with postgraduate coursework (graduate diploma and masters) will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- postgraduate coursework (considered as whole) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or standalone honours year) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or most recent year of bachelor degree if honours is used) = x 1.

Applicants with **completed** postgraduate research (Higher degree research masters or PhD) will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- postgraduate research (considered as whole, given maximum GPA value of 7.0) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or standalone honours year) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or most recent year of bachelor degree if honours is used) = x 1.

Non-award units will not be used as part of the GPA calculation.

The total GPA calculated for each year will be converted to a 7-point scale and then divided by the number of units taken.

MCAT/GAMSAT

International applicants residing outside of Australia can choose to submit MCAT or GAMSAT scores. International applicants residing in Australia at the time of application can submit GAMSAT scores.

MCAT scores will be used and weighted for selection for interview and offer in the same way that GAMSAT scores are used (see Interviews and Offers sections above).

MCAT

MCAT scores submitted must satisfy:

- a minimum total score of 500
- completion less than three years from intended enrolment.

GAMSAT

International applicants residing in Australia at the time of application can submit GAMSAT scores.

GAMSAT scores submitted must satisfy:

- a minimum overall score of 50
- a minimum of 50 in each of the three sections
- completion within four years of intended enrolment.

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Supplementary Form	<p>All applicants must submit a supplementary form. The supplementary form involves acknowledgement of statements related to international placements and meeting criteria specific to the Doctor of Medicine program.</p> <p>Supplementary forms are not graded but are evaluated as either satisfactory or unsatisfactory.</p>
Currency of qualification	<p>Qualifications considered for admission must have been completed within 10 years of intended enrolment.</p>
English language requirements	<p>Applicants will meet English language requirements if their secondary and tertiary qualification(s) have been taught and assessed in English in a country where English is the native or first language.</p> <p>IELTS</p> <p>Applicants who do not meet the above English language requirements must provide evidence of meeting the following International English Language Testing System (IELTS) scores:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a minimum overall score of 7.0 • a minimum score of 7.0 in each band. <p>Minimum IELTS scores must be achieved in one sitting of the test less than two years from intended enrolment.</p> <p>Applicants need to ensure they can meet AHPRA requirements for medical practitioners.</p>
Campus and place type preference	<p>Wallumattagal Campus, Macquarie University Balaclava Road, North Ryde NSW, 2109, Australia</p> <p>All places in the Macquarie University Doctor of Medicine are full fee paying.</p> <p>The program requires students to attend clinical placements in Australian and international settings.</p>

Macquarie University – Doctor of Medicine (Macquarie MD)**Interview****Interview selection**

Applicants will be ranked and selected for interview based on the following criteria:

- meeting minimum eligibility requirements outlined above
- 50% weighted GPA
- 50% MCAT/GAMSAT
- Supplementary form.

Interview format

Interviews will be conducted in the multiple mini interview (MMI) format, which will see applicants rotate through a series of four short interview stations.

International applicants will be offered a MMI conducted via videoconference.

Interview timing

Offers to attend an MMI will be made by Macquarie University for one of three interview rounds in June, August or October 2025 depending on when your application is processed.

Offer**Offer selection**

Applicants will be ranked and selected for offer based on the following:

- 50% weighted GPA
- 50% MMI score

Offer timing

Successful applicants will be notified by Macquarie University approximately 2 weeks after interview. Applicants will normally have 4 weeks to accept an offer.

Conditional offers

If an offer is made where a degree is not yet complete, the offer will be conditional. To be made a full offer, study must be complete by 31 December in the year of application.

If conditions are not met by the specified date in the offer letter, the offer will be withdrawn. Applicants applying based on a combined degree must complete both awards to have their offer confirmed.

Open Day

Open Day: Saturday 16 August 2025, 10am to 4pm



Macquarie University is a vibrant hub of intellectual thinkers, all working towards a brighter future for our communities and our planet.

A PLACE OF INSPIRATION

Macquarie is uniquely located in the heart of Australia's largest high-tech precinct, a thriving locale which is predicted to double in size in the next 20 years to become the fourth largest CBD in Australia.

Our campus spans 126 hectares, with open green space that gives our community the freedom to think and grow. We are home to fantastic facilities with excellent transport links to the city and suburbs, supported by an on-campus metro station.

RENOWNED FOR EXCELLENCE

We are ranked among the top two per cent of universities in the world, and with a 5-star QS rating, we are renowned for producing graduates that are among the most sought-after professionals in the world.

A PROUD TRADITION OF DISCOVERY

Our enviable research efforts are brought to life by renowned researchers whose audacious solutions to issues of global significance are benefiting the world we live in.

BUILDING SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES

Our pioneering approach to teaching and learning is built around a connected learning community: our students are considered partners and co-creators in their learning experience.

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