

UK Medical Schools 2016 Entry Use of Aptitude Tests, Work Experience Expected and Interview Process

This document contains a summary of the use of aptitude tests, work experience expected and the likely interview process at Medical Schools in the UK. It was researched over the summer of 2015. Medical Schools, unlike Vet Schools do not publish specific work experience requirements; however most mention a range of experiences that they expect potential medical students to have had. Here are some general tips:

- Students should be encouraged to keep a diary of all their work experience, so that they can refer to it when writing their personal statement and preparing for interview.
- Voluntary work with a local charity is a good way of demonstrating commitment as well as finding out more about medicine.
- Undertaking work experience that involves the unglamorous side of patient care such as helping elderly confused patients provides more learning opportunities than working in a lab.
- Rather than just list all the work experience that has been undertaken, it is more revealing if you can write about what you have now learned about a medical career and its implications.

For useful advice regarding work experience, read the Selecting for Excellence guidelines for medicine applicants produced by the Medical Schools Council. <http://www.medschools.ac.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Work-experience-guidelines-for-applicants-to-medicine.pdf>

For some useful advice on writing a personal statement, look at this link to the Aberdeen University website: <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/smd/medicine/non-academic-requirements.php>

Most universities ask applicants to sit either the UKCAT or BMAT test as part of the application process. For some the scores is a significant factor in their consideration of an application and for others it may be a less significant factor or only used in marginal situations. It is not possible to predict what the thresholds for interview will be in any individual year, or to use data from previous years to predict subsequent years' thresholds, since it is essentially competitive and depends on who applies. Students will have their UKCAT test result before the UCAS deadline so should use it to help inform their UCAS choices, otherwise they might be wasting an application. All universities provide information on their websites regarding how they use the scores in admissions. Universities are using the results from the Situational judgement test (SJT); in different ways.

There are practice tests to download on both the UKCAT: <http://www.ukcat.ac.uk/preparation/preparing-for-the-test/> and the BMAT websites: <http://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/>

- The Trotman book, "Getting into Medical School 2016 entry" contains an enormous amount of detailed advice on the entire application process ISBN-13: 978-1909319660 and the British Medical Association website has a lot of information on becoming a doctor, <http://bma.org.uk/developing-your-career/medical-student/entry-to-medical-school>

University	Aptitude Test	Work experience	Interview advice
<p>Aberdeen</p> <p>Medical Admissions: Tel: +44 (0)1224 437923 Email: medadm@abdn.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.abdn.ac.uk/smd/medicine/entrance-requirements.php</p> <p>Admissions data: http://www.abdn.ac.uk/smd/medicine/admissions-data.php</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>A minimum UKCAT cut-off score is NOT used. A score is allocated based on the applicant's overall performance in UKCAT compared with all other applicants to Aberdeen. Applicants to Aberdeen offer a broad range of UKCAT scores. For 2015 entry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants: the lowest total score for an applicant was 1750 and the highest 3470. 	<p>Undertake as much work experience/shadowing as possible</p> <p>See examples: http://www.abdn.ac.uk/smd/medicine/on-academic-requirements.php</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Interviews are conducted between November and the end of February using the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format.</p> <p>Follow this link for detailed information: http://www.abdn.ac.uk/smd/medicine/interview.php for detailed information on MMIs.</p>
<p>Barts and The London, Queen Mary</p> <p>Admissions: Tel: +44 (0)20 7882 8478 smdadmissions@qmul.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.smd.qmul.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/medicine/index.html</p> <p>Admissions data: http://www.smd.qmul.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/A100/index.html</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>You will not be offered an interview if you obtained a total UKCAT score below the third percentile. Please note there is no guarantee that you will be offered an interview if you score above the third percentile.</p> <p>We are not able to give you advice on the minimum score we require, since it varies from year to year.</p>	<p>We would expect that applicants will have undertaken some voluntary work experience in a caring/health environment and/or observation in a medical clinical setting. It is important for applicants to have a realistic appreciation of what a career as a health professional involves.</p>	<p>INTERVIEW PANEL</p> <p>If selected, you will be required to attend a short interview at the Whitechapel campus in January or February.</p> <p>Normally interview panels consist of two members of senior academic or clinical staff a medical student and sometimes a lay selector. See: http://www.smd.qmul.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/medicine/A100/index.html</p>
<p>Birmingham University</p>	<p>UKCAT NEW requirement for 2016</p>		<p>MMI</p>

<p>Admissions Tutor: Dr Austen Spruce Tel: +44 (0)121 414 6888</p> <p>http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/med/medicine.aspx</p> <p>Email: medicineadmissions@contacts.bham.ac.uk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no minimum cut-off score • We are using UKCAT for the first time for applications received in 2015. We expect that each section will be weighted equally, but until we receive applicants' scores we cannot define the weighting of the contribution of each section of UKCAT to the total score. • Applicants with higher scores will be at an advantage. • The band score for the Situational Judgement Test (SJT) component of UKCAT will be used at the interview stage (see: Outcome of Interview) See: website for more details. 	<p>It is important for you to demonstrate your motivation towards a career in medicine and are able to show evidence that you will be able to acquire the values of the NHS (including: working together for patients; respect and dignity; compassion; commitment to quality of care; resilience), through people-focused work experience or volunteering.</p>	<p>Multiple mini-interviews take place between November and March. You will participate in six separate, short interviews, lasting 6 mins each. This will allow you to start afresh at each mini-interview. A range of your personal attributes relevant to studying medicine will be assessed by means of different tasks. Interview stations are designed to assess aspects such as: motivation for medicine; communication; self-insight; ethical reasoning; data interpretation; ability to evaluate information and identify relevant aspects.</p> <p>To find out more about each stage of the interview process, download our MBChB interview information document.</p>
<p>Brighton and Sussex</p> <p>T: +44 (0)1273 643528 / 643529 / 641966 Email: medadmissions@bsms.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.bsms.ac.uk/undergraduate/</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>Qualifying applications are ranked according to their BMAT results. The admissions board will then invite candidates with a high ranking to interview. BMAT may also be used as a final discriminator if needed after interview.</p>	<p>Please note that BSMS may verify references and records of work experience and you will be asked, if called for interview, to bring with you your completed work experience form which is sent to you when you are invited for interview.</p>	<p>A FORMAL 20 MINUTE SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW</p> <p>Interviews are held during BSMS admissions days on Wednesdays and Saturdays, during January, February, and March each year.</p>
<p>Bristol University</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)117 928 7679</p>	<p>DO NOT REQUIRE UKCAT or BMAT</p> <p>Any change in this policy will only apply to applications for future years</p>	<p>You need to show that you have an idea of what is involved in the career, and be motivated to the demands of the career and long periods of study.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Medical Interviews: http://www.bristol.ac.uk/applicants/interviews/medicine/</p>

<p>Email: med-admissions@bristol.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.bristol.ac.uk/medical-school/prospective/</p> <p>232 places 2016/17 3389 applications 2014/15</p>	<p>of entry and will be well publicised in advance.</p> <p>Applicants are required to complete a form prior to attending the interview which documents the type and duration of their work experience.</p>	<p>You should try to gain as wide voluntary experience as possible in a caring or health environment. This does not have to be in a hospital (which can be difficult to obtain) but a nursing home, local hospice, shelter for the homeless, working with people with disabilities or special needs, or working with a youth group, would all be useful experience.</p>	<p>At the interview, applicants will move around a series of ten MMI stations, each taking five minutes, and will be assessed on a particular criterion at each. Each station will be directed by one or two interviewers as appropriate.</p> <p>Interviews will take place between December and April.</p>
<p>Buckingham University</p> <p>Email: medicine-admissions@buckingham.ac.uk</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)1280 828 275</p>	<p>DO NOT REQUIRE UKCAT or BMAT</p>	<p>No formal work experience is specified.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Selection will be made on the outcome of an Objective Structured Selection Examination (OSSE) conducted in English. Every applicant will undertake a series of tasks each intended to judge aspects of suitability for a career in medicine as described in the GMC document 'Good Medical Practice'. There will be between ten and twelve stations, each lasting seven minutes.</p>
<p>Cambridge University</p> <p>Admissions: admissions:admin.cam.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/medicine/</p> <p>6 applications per place in</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>The BMAT test will be taken on 4 November 2015. http://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/applying/admissions-tests/bmat</p> <p>Admissions statistics by college for medicine http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergrad</p>	<p>To develop understanding of what a career in Medicine involves and your suitability for your intended profession, you're strongly advised (though not required) to undertake some relevant work experience (either paid or voluntary) in a health or related area. We aren't prescriptive about how this is obtained, recognising the widely</p>	<p>ACADEMIC INTERVIEW</p> <p>Interviews are discussion-based and predominantly academic and subject-related, so you'll be asked questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • relevant to the course you've applied for • about the information you provided in your written

2014	uate/apply/statistics/	differing opportunities available.	application See: http://www.study.cam.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/interviews/involve.html
Cardiff University Tel: +44 (0)29 20 68 8101 Email: medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk http://coursefinder.cardiff.ac.uk/undergraduate/course/detail/877.html	UKCAT There is no minimum threshold/score cut off for the UKCAT. We only use the results of an applicant's UKCAT test if we are at the end of the process with two applicants in a "tiebreak" situation, at which point we may refer to the test results to make a decision.	The University recognises that opportunities for certain types of work experience and participation in some non-academic activities will vary according to individual circumstances, including an applicant's cultural or socio-economic background, or the activities available in their local area. Selectors are, therefore, not prescriptive about the ways in which the non-academic selection criteria may be demonstrated.	INTERVIEW PANEL You will be interviewed by a panel of 2 or 3 people, at least one of whom is medically qualified. We aim to have a current Year 4 medical student on each panel. Interviews generally last 20 minutes. They provide a chance for us to explore your personal statement in greater detail and give you the chance to expand further on your experiences.
University of Dundee Telephone: +44(0)1382384697 Email: asrs-medicine@dundee.ac.uk http://www.dundee.ac.uk/medschool/undergraduate/admissions/ FAQs: http://www.dundee.ac.uk/undergraduate/enquiry/medicine/	UKCAT Applications are ranked on academic achievement and UKCAT score. The top 550 will be invited to select an interview time to suit them via our online booking tool. Your UKCAT score will be factored into the pre-interview rank. There is no specific cut off applied but obviously a high score is advantageous. Our analysis of the 2013 applicants revealed the average calculated from applications received was 2520 and	We encourage up to two weeks relevant work experience (or equivalent) as it is helpful for providing awareness of and insight into career choice. This will be discussed at interview but is not scored. Please note we intend to ask applicants to inform us where their experience has been acquired and verify a selection.	MMI The Medical school interview process is a series of 10 seven minute 'mini interviews'. The usual topics are covered but within bite-size sections rather than a single discussion which offers you a number of separate opportunities to sell yourself. You can expect to be asked about your understanding of: a medical career, the curriculum here in Dundee, aspect of your UCAS statement as well as current medical issues in the press, including ethical topics.

	<p>the average for those gaining offers was 2720.</p> <p>Following interview, provided the process has run smoothly, candidates are ranked on the interviews score alone, i.e. there is a 'clean slate' with no carryover of the pre-interview rank</p>		<p>In addition we will be looking to assess your communication skills and approach towards teamwork through a series of interactive stations where you have a task to complete or actor to talk to.</p>
<p>The University of Edinburgh</p> <p>From 2016 entry onwards, the MBChB at Edinburgh Medical School will become a six year programme.</p> <p>Phone: + 44 (0)131 242 6407</p> <p>Email: medug@ed.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/medicine-vet-medicine/undergraduate/medicine/mbchb</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>We will consider all scores and no applicant will be excluded from selection based on the score achieved in their UKCAT test (although applicants will be excluded if they have failed to take the test and not gained an exemption).</p> <p>Due to the introduction of the Situational Judgement section of the test, we will be assessing this as part of our non-academic requirements and not alongside your overall UKCAT score.</p> <p>The score an applicant achieved may be looked at again when final decisions are being made and there is a number of applicants with the same ranked score and limited places left to offer.</p>	<p>Demonstration of a clear understanding of the nature of a career in medicine will be expected. This can be achieved by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate work experience or work shadowing, as evidence of an informed decision to apply for a medical programme. • Talking with medical doctors and medical students. • Attending a University Open Day and medical conferences/lectures. • Reading medical literature. <p>If it is not possible to get any work experience in a hospital then other alternatives include working in a nursing home, riding for the disabled, or volunteer work.</p>	<p>DO NOT NORMALLY INTERVIEW SCHOOL LEAVERS</p> <p>Because we do not interview school leavers, your references are very important.</p> <p>We have put some guidelines together to help your referees write the best reference possible.</p> <p>Download guidelines for referees (PDF)</p>
<p>University of Exeter</p> <p>Undergraduate admissions: ug-ad@exeter.ac.uk Tel: + 44</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>Applicants achieving less than 2500 overall are unlikely to be invited to</p>	<p>Work experience is not part of our standard entry requirements and therefore whether you have work</p>	<p>PANEL OF INTERVIEWERS</p> <p>Our interviews are designed to determine whether applicants</p>

<p>(0) 1392 725500.</p> <p>http://www.exeter.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees/medicine/medicine/entry/</p> <p>frequently asked questions</p>	<p>attend an interview. Subtest scores will not be taken in to consideration.</p> <p>Applications will be sorted according to academic profile and overall UKCAT score in order to determine which applicants will receive an offer of an interview.</p>	<p>experience or not, you are very welcome to apply to our programme.</p> <p>Exeter recognise difficulty in obtaining medical work experience so any part-time job where students can work in teams and improve their communication skills is valuable.</p>	<p>possess the non-academic qualities such as the communication skills, reflectiveness and empathy required to become successful doctor. Interviews will be conducted by a panel of interviewers, including at least one medical clinician. Whether or not an offer is made will depend on your performance at the interview.</p>
<p>University of Glasgow</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)141 330 6216</p> <p>email: med-sch-admissions@glasgow.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/admissions/</p> <p>FAQs: http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/medicineadmissions/faqs/</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>We consider UKCAT with all other aspects of the application. All aspects are considered in equal measure. The range of scores we consider changes each year as the performance of each admissions cohort varies.</p> <p>http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/admissions/ukclinicalaptitudetestukcat/</p>	<p>Although specific work experience in a hospital or general practice is not essential, it is important for all applicants to find out about the realities of a career in medicine.</p> <p>A commitment to caring for others is also expected, which can be demonstrated through voluntary or paid work in a community setting. Any commitment to work experience or similar is expected to last beyond the offer-making stage of the admissions process.</p>	<p>SELECTION PANEL INTERVIEW</p> <p>The interview is structured and involves a selection panel (including School of Medicine staff, consultants and honorary members of the University) who complete a scoring sheet during the process.</p> <p>Interviews normally take place in December with offers normally being made by late March each year.</p> <p>http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/admissions/mbchbinterviews/</p>
<p>Hull York Medical School</p> <p>admissions@hyms.ac.uk.</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0) 1904 321782</p> <p>http://www.hyms.ac.uk/undergraduate/before-you-apply/entry-requirements</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>Applicants with a UKCAT Situational Judgement Test band of 4 (i.e. the lowest band) will not be considered.</p> <p>Your total UKCAT score will be assigned points as part of Our Selection Procedure, however these</p>	<p>There is no prescribed pre-application experience for applicants to HYMS, but you should try to obtain a realistic understanding of the demands of medical training and practice. You will find it useful to get some experience in a range of caring situations, observing</p>	<p>GROUP AND PERSONAL INTERVIEWS</p> <p>The interview process has three components, which can happen in any order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A group interview lasting 20 minutes. • A first structured personal

	<p>points will not be determined until after the UCAS deadline (as UKCAT results are not published until November).</p> <p>Following interview, we make offers based primarily on interview performance, and we use the UKCAT Situational Judgement Test as an extra interview 'station'. See our Selection Procedure for details.</p>	<p>or working alongside healthcare staff, in either a voluntary or paid capacity.</p> <p>We also advise that you explore both the positive and negative aspects of a medical career through talking to doctors and other healthcare professionals. We will expect you to demonstrate that you understand, and are committed to, teamwork and the social context of healthcare.</p> <p>http://www.hyms.ac.uk/undergraduate/before-you-apply/pre-application-experience</p>	<p>interview lasting 10 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A second structured personal interview, also lasting 10 minutes. <p>There will be two interviewers at each interview.</p> <p>In total, you will be assessed by six different people during the interview process.</p> <p>http://www.hyms.ac.uk/undergraduate/our-applications-process/our-selection-procedure</p>
<p>Imperial</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)20 7594 8056</p> <p>medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>BMAT cut-off scores are calculated each year, as a result of ranked candidate BMAT scores versus number of expected interview sessions. As a result, the absolute BMAT cut-off changes each year. However, the BMAT cut-off scores from previous admissions cycles may be used as a guide.</p> <p>For 2015 entry, the minimum scores required were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a score of 4.3 in section 1 • a score of 4.4 in section 2 • a score of 2.3 and grade B in section 3 	<p>Work experience should give a realistic understanding of what is involved in a career in medicine and thus be a sound basis upon which to decide whether such a career would suit them. Imperial is unlikely to offer places to candidates who have not gained such an understanding.</p> <p>However, we appreciate that it can be difficult to obtain work experience in hospitals and GP surgeries, particularly without the help of your school or a medically qualified friend or relative. If this is your situation, we recommend you look for experience as a care assistant or volunteer in a nursing or residential home, or as a volunteer in a hospital or other community establishment.</p>	<p>SELECTION PANEL</p> <p>If selected, you will be required to attend a 15-minute interview</p> <p>Normally interview panels consist of a chairperson, two other members of the selection panel, a senior medical student and frequently a lay observer.</p> <p>See website for typical questions.</p>
Keele University	UKCAT		MMI

<p>Tel: +44 (0)1782 733937</p> <p>Admissions medicine@keele.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.keele.ac.uk/health/schoolofmedicine/undergraduate/medicalcourse/entryrouteshowtoapply/</p>	<p>Applicants with total UKCAT scores in the lowest decile (i.e. in the bottom 10% of scores nationally) will not be considered.</p> <p>All applicants will be required to submit a Roles & Responsibilities form during the last two weeks of October</p> <p>¹Scoring sheet: http://www.keele.ac.uk/media/keeleuniversity/fachealth/fachealthmed/pdfs/Admissions%20Academic%20Scoring%20Sheet%202015.pdf</p>	<p>It is beneficial to undertake long-term, hands-on work experience in a caring role, so that you are aware of what a career in caring for people may involve. Work experience and/or volunteering can take many forms, from helping elderly members of the community with shopping, through to helping in a hospice, or working with disadvantaged children. Applicants who find it necessary to undertake paid employment may use examples from their interactions with people at work. We are not looking for medically related work experience.</p>	<p>Interviews take the form of multiple mini interviews (MMIs). The stations will examine a range of skills and aptitudes. The format of stations may vary from a 1:1 traditional interview through to a role-play. The MMI assesses a range of attributes of applicants, including motivation, empathy, insight, professionalism, responsibility, ethical awareness, resilience and effective communication. One station will assess the ability of applicants to perform clinically relevant calculations.</p> <p>Interviews are scheduled to take place in late December, January, February and March.</p>
<p>Kings College London (Guys, Kings and St Thomas)</p> <p>http://www.kcl.ac.uk/prospectus/undergraduate/index/name/medicine/alpha/M/header_search/</p> <p>Undergraduate Admissions (including MBBS GPEP) Health Schools Admissions Centre T: +44 (0) 20 7848 6501 / 6502 E: ug-healthadmissions@kcl.ac.uk</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>The university does not have a threshold UKCAT score in any particular year, but in order to provide candidates with a method of assessing their likely competitiveness we provide some guideline scores which are indicative of the competitive score required in the past years. Please note that some students with scores above this may not have been interviewed and indeed some with scores below this may have been interviewed, as this is a guideline.</p> <p>The guideline scores for 2015 was</p>	<p>We would normally expect that applicants will have undertaken some voluntary work experience in a caring/health environment and/or observation in a medical clinical setting. It is important for applicants to have a realistic appreciation of what a career as a health professional involves.</p> <p>Any voluntary contribution to your community is taken into account, eg volunteer in a care home. We look for evidence that you have worked in a setting where you can interact with the general public eg in a pharmacy,</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Interviewees circulate from one timed station to another and meet several interviewers who will ask structured questions and mark these independently. More information will be sent to applicants who are invited to interview.</p> <p><i>What is considered at interview?</i> Communication and interpersonal skills, work experience, exploring general social and ethical issues - normally health related, the interviewee's general suitability for the programme and as a health professional, how the interviewee</p>

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<p>University of Lancaster</p> <p>Tel +44 (0) 1524 5 94547</p> <p>medicine@lancaster.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.lancaster.ac.uk/shm/divisions/med/</p> <p>Will consider applications from applicants who have taken longer than 2 years to achieve the required grades at A-level.</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>From 2016 entry onwards, all applicants will be expected to take the Biomedical Admissions Test (BMAT)</p> <p>For 2016 entry, personal statements will no longer be scored and used to determine who is invited to interview. Instead, all applicants will be ranked according to their BMAT score and the personal statements of the top-scoring applicants will be checked to ensure that they have had some relevant work experience and can demonstrate a caring commitment to society.</p>	<p>Relevant work experience in a healthcare setting and Insight into a medical career and their own suitability, drawn from their work (and voluntary) experience and A commitment to society; working for the benefit of others, including voluntary work or significant caring roles</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>The MMI consists of 12-14 different 'stations', most of which will be 5 minutes long. An additional 20 minute station will involve group work and will assess your suitability for our problem-based learning curriculum. Applicants who are selected for interview will be sent detailed information prior to their interview. The applicant's performance at each station is assessed by trained interviewers, against clearly defined criteria. Interviewers include members of University staff, NHS clinicians, local GPs, patients and public representatives, and medical students.</p>
<p>University of Leeds</p> <p>Telephone: +44 (0) 113 343 4362</p> <p>Email: gmadmissions@leeds.ac.uk</p> <p>http://medhealth.leeds.ac.uk/medicine/admissions</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>The forms are initially assessed for academic criteria by our admissions team. This process looks at your past and predicted grades along with your BMAT score. We have no "cut off" for the BMAT</p>	<p>The School recognises that personal experience in a health and social care setting can make individuals more confident about choosing a career in medicine. Consequently, the School would like to know of any such experiences, what you learned and why it has helped make you more confident about your decision to study medicine. Normally you should be able to report some direct experience of either hospital or community medical</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>A questionnaire will also be sent with interview invitations asking for further details on work and voluntary placements including contact details.</p> <p>The decision whether to make an offer on not after interview depended entirely on the candidates performance on the day; the previous scores (predicted/achieved academic performance etc.) are not</p>

		practice. You should explain your work experience in your personal statement, and at your interview you'll have an opportunity to talk about your experience, your emotional response to it, what it has taught you and what you have gained from it.	taken into account. View an example MMI interview .
University of Leicester http://www2.le.ac.uk/departments/msce/undergraduate/medicine Admissions Tutor: Dr Kevin West +44 (0) 116 252 2969/2985/2966 med-admis@le.ac.uk	UKCAT How A100 applications are scored: http://www2.le.ac.uk/departments/msce/undergraduate/medicine/documents/2015%20A100%20Scoring Initial assessment of UCAS forms will be based on academic ability and UKCAT score. Academic ability and UKCAT will each be scored out of 34, giving a total score out of 68. The Situational Judgement test may be used as a virtual multiple mini-interview station for 2016/17 applications.	Medical work experience is not essential but you should be able to demonstrate that you have undertaken some kind of work where you are able to communicate with the public.	MMI Our interviews use the Multiple Mini-Interview (MMI) style, and consist of eight individual mini-interviews or 'stations' which will assess your: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal communication • Written communication • Listening • Compassion, respect and dignity • Emotional intelligence • Problem solving • Motivation • Ethical Judgement We will use the UKCAT SJT score as a virtual interview station.
University of Liverpool http://www.liv.ac.uk/medicine/ http://www.liv.ac.uk/medicine/undergraduate/admissions/ Enquiries Service +44 (0)151 795 4370 mbchb@liv.ac.uk	UKCAT All non-graduate applicants applying to the A100 programme will be required to sit UKCAT. A100 Scoring of Applications document for 2016	No formal work experience is specified but applicants will need to address our non-academic criteria and include the demonstration of healthcare career awareness/insight, a caring contribution to the local community and a critical, coherent and informative approach to communication.	SEMI STRUCTURED INTERVIEW All Applicants are invited to an approximately 15 minute, semi-structured interview with two people drawn from a panel of trained interviewers, including academic members of the University staff, NHS clinicians, local GPs and members of Local NHS trusts. The criteria used to assess the interview

			are application of knowledge of the Liverpool medical programme and its curriculum, medical ethics and team work, together with the non-academic criteria.
University of Manchester +44 (0)161 306 0460 medicine.enquiries@manchester.ac.uk http://www.mms.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/	UKCAT Those applications that do not meet the UKCAT threshold chosen will not progress to the next phase of the screening process, and will receive notification that their application has been unsuccessful through UCAS in due course. The threshold varies each year, see website for recent scores: How do we deal with your application?	We require voluntary caring work experience that does not need to be in a clinical setting. Shadowing doctors in a hospital/GP setting is not essential or considered to be a substitute for voluntary caring work experience. For entry in 2016, every applicant must complete a short online information form with respect to non-academic activities. This will request brief details about work experience, hobbies and interests and teamwork. The information required will include a description of the activity, dates and contact details of work experience placements. Access to this form will be provided by email once we have received your UCAS form.	MMI The interview process held in Manchester for 2016/17 may change slightly, but will be on similar lines to that used in 2015/16 cycle. You will be interviewed in a seven station 'multiple mini-interview' format, passing through seven stations each of which has an interviewer. Each station will be six minutes long and there will be a two minute gap between stations See: http://www.mms.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/applicationprocess/
University of Newcastle NE partnership with Durham http://www.ncl.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees/a100/courseoverview/ https://www.dur.ac.uk/school.health/phase1.medicine/	UKCAT The UKCAT threshold may differ in each admissions cycle as it is dependent on the scores achieved by those applicants who apply to our Medical School in the current cycle. Therefore information on what the threshold is not available to prospective applicants. For the A100	At Newcastle our emphasis is on our applicants being able to show a commitment to caring which can be accomplished in a number of ways other than in a hospital or General Practice setting e.g. volunteering in an elderly care home, hospice, nursery or	FORMAL INTERVIEW Newcastle Interview – 2 selectors and 25 mins. Attributes Assessed. Preparation and motivation for medical school, Effective Learning skills, Team working, Personal qualities/ resilience, Interpersonal and communication skills, Empathy, sensitivity and integrity

<p>219 places at Newcastle University and 99 places at Durham University each year.</p> <p>+44 (0) 191 222 7005</p> <p>E-mail: medic.ugadmin@ncl.ac.uk</p>	<p>programme Newcastle and Durham use the same UKCAT thresholds to identify applicants for interview.</p> <p>Here is the MBBS Admissions Policy 2016</p>	<p>helping someone less fortunate.</p> <p>Do not be put off from applying to Newcastle as there are many ways you can demonstrate to us that you are a committed and caring individual.</p>	<p>Durham Interview two selectors and takes 45 minutes.</p> <p>Prior to and during the interview the selectors are not given access to the application information, including the reference and personal statement, as the interview is designed to explore the candidate's personal qualities.</p>
<p>Norwich Medical School, University of East Anglia</p> <p>Admissions contacts:</p> <p>+44 (0) 1603 591515</p> <p>admissions@uea.ac.uk</p> <p>https://www.uea.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/degree/detail/mbbs-medicine#requirements</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>We do not set a minimum cut-off score for the UKCAT, but consider the component scores within the academic screening processes. Whilst a high UKCAT score may be advantageous, a low score in an otherwise strong application, will not automatically disqualify an applicant from consideration. From our experience, it is unusual for an applicant with a UKCAT score of less than 2400 to be invited to interview.</p>	<p>If selected for interview you will be asked to complete a work experience form</p> <p>Please provide details of two experiences that have most informed your decision to study Medicine, (for example, but not limited to; voluntary work, 'shadowing' a health care professional, paid employment, or personal experience caring for others). Please include contact details of someone who can verify your experiences, and bring the completed form to your interview. You should be prepared to discuss your experiences at the interview.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Each interview lasts approximately 50 minutes. During the interview, each applicant rotates through a series of rooms, known as 'stations', They will spend 5 minutes at each of the 7 stations, with a 1 and a half minute changeover/preparation time between each. Please note that we do not disclose interview questions.</p> <p>If you are invited to interview you are required to bring with you this completed Work Experience Form.</p>
<p>University of Nottingham</p> <p>http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/courses/medicine/bmbs-medicine.aspx</p> <p>telephone: +44 (0) 115 823</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>We do not have a cut-off or threshold for the UKCAT results. We will give you a score for each of the five sections of the UKCAT test, this includes scores for the four sections in</p>	<p>We expect you to have undergone some form of medical work or voluntary experience to enable you to understand the profession you are entering.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Each interview lasts approximately 50 minutes. Selected applicants are invited to take part in an OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination) style interview, also</p>

<p>0000</p> <p>email: medschool@nottingham.ac.uk</p>	<p>the cognitive component and a score for the SJT component. The total UKCAT score makes up 71% of the total score at this stage</p> <p>See FAQs for further information.</p>	<p>Keeping a reflective diary will enable you to write down your experiences and what you have learnt from them. Keeping this up-to-date at the end of each work experience session will help you to remember your experiences and will provide you with preparation material for when you write your personal statement and before you attend an interview.</p>	<p>known as a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI). During the interview, each applicant rotates through a series of rooms, known as 'stations', They will spend 5 minutes at each of the 7 stations, with a 1 and a half minute changeover/preparation time between each. Please note that we do not disclose interview questions.</p>
<p>Oxford University</p> <p>http://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/</p> <p>admissions@medschool.ox.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/courses-listing/medicine#</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>We do not ascribe equal weighting to all sections of BMAT. In 2014, weightings were: section 1=40%, section 2=40%, and section 3=20%. In calculating the section 3 score, double weight is ascribed to the 'Quality of content' score and single weight given to the 'Quality of English' score (with A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1, and X=0).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> For those shortlisted the mean adjusted BMAT score was 64%. <input type="checkbox"/> For those with an offer of a place, the mean adjusted BMAT score was 67%.</p> <p>http://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/study/medicine/pre-clinical/statistics/</p>	<p>No Specific Information Given</p> <p>Applicants are free to make reference to skills or experience acquired in any context to illustrate how they might fulfil the selection criteria; sometimes candidates refer to voluntary work and other extra-curricular activities, but many forms of evidence can help demonstrate to tutors that a candidate has made an informed decision regarding their own suitability to study Medicine.</p>	<p>FORMAL INTERVIEW</p> <p>Each applicant was seen at two colleges: the college of preference, or allocation if an open application was made, and one other randomly assigned by computer. For this reason, the number of applicants called for interview is fixed at 425 each year. The percentage called to Oxford is related to the size of the cohort applying for the course, and the number of places available.</p>
<p>Plymouth University Peninsula School of Medicine</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0) 1752437333</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>Scores are reviewed each year</p> <p>2013 score thresholds for 2014 entry</p>	<p>No Specific Information Given.</p>	<p>FORMAL INTERVIEW</p> <p>The interview is structured and formal to ensure that every student is asked the same questions and</p>

<p>Email: meddent-admissions@plymouth.ac.uk</p>	<p>Verbal Reasoning : 504 Quantitative Analysis : 612 Abstract Reasoning : 599 Decision Analysis : 713 Overall (with standard deviation applied) : 2671</p>		<p>receives the same prompts. Interviews take approx. 20 minutes, see: http://www5.plymouth.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate/bmbs-bachelor-of-medicine-bachelor-of-surgery/bachelor-of-medicine-bachelor-of-surgery-selection-and-admissions-process</p>
<p>Queens University Belfast</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)28 9097 2675</p> <p>http://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/mdbs/</p> <p>How We Choose Our Students pdf</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>The overall score will attract up to six points, see section 3.3 of 2016 Admissions Policy Statement for Medicine (link below). This score will be added to their knowledge based mark and all applicants ranked.</p> <p>Admission Policy Statement for Medicine (2016 entry)</p>	<p>Your personal statement should indicate explicitly that Medicine is your career choice and there should be evidence of commitment and motivation. This should include evidence of what you have done to find out about Medicine as a career. This can be demonstrated in a number of ways including: opportunities for observational experience in a clinical setting, attending medical careers conferences, or undertaking voluntary work in a care setting. Participation in activities within or outside School demonstrating transferable skills such as leadership, empathy, teamwork and communication skills is also considered.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>The interviews take the form of Multi Mini Interviews which are designed to test key non-cognitive competencies for Medicine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Empathy - Problem-solving - Ethical Reasoning - Communication Skills <p>Information on preparing for MMI and what they are on http://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/mdbs/medicine/Prospectivestudents/MultipleMiniInterviews/AdviceonpreparationforMMIs/</p>
<p>Sheffield University</p> <p>http://www.shef.ac.uk/medicine/</p> <p>Medical School Office Reception Desk for General</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>In addition to the academic requirements, candidates must have achieved a score of 2510 or above to be given consideration. .</p>	<p>There is an excellent overview on work experience on the website http://www.shef.ac.uk/medicine/prospective Ug/applying/workexperience Suggestions include• Paid or voluntary work experience in a residential care home, hospice or similar.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>The Multiple Mini Interviews comprise a series of eight 8-minute stations. Refer to this website for further information: http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/medicine/prospective Ug/applying/whathappe</p>

<p>Enquiries: +44 (0)114 222 5522</p> <p>Email: med-school@sheffield.ac.uk</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working in a youth centre or working with young children. • Participating in community volunteering schemes. • Working with a diverse range of people (whether on a paid or voluntary basis). 	<p>ns</p> <p>Interviewers are drawn from medical educationalists, medically qualified senior members of staff, biomedical scientists, junior hospital doctors, senior nurses, senior medical students and lay people. The interviewers will have a copy of your UCAS application.</p>
<p>University of Southampton</p> <p>http://www.southampton.ac.uk/medicine/undergraduate/index.page?</p> <p>Telephone: +44 (0)23 8059 4408</p> <p>Email: ugapply.fm@southampton.ac.uk</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>All applicants to BM4 and BM5 programmes should normally score 2500 (from the first four subtests) or above in the UKCAT exam in order for their application to be considered further. The Faculty of Medicine will then be ranking applicants by UKCAT score and a certain percentage will be invited to attend a selection day.</p> <p>Note that 2500 is just an indication as UKCAT scores vary from year to year.</p> <p>Situational Judgement Test: Currently The University of Southampton does not use this subtest.</p>	<p>For the BM4 and BM5 programmes you need to show you have learnt from experiences of interacting with people in health or social care settings - this could be helping to look after an ill family member or friend or could be voluntary/paid work or work shadowing. It can be difficult to obtain experience in a hospital setting so you could work/volunteer in a nursing home, homeless shelter, local hospice, work with people with special needs or a youth group.</p> <p>If applying for the BM6 programme you need to have the ability to demonstrate a commitment to becoming a doctor but do not necessarily have to have had work experience in a health care setting.</p>	<p>FORMAL INTERVIEW</p> <p>Students who meet the entry criteria and get the top UKCAT scores will be invited for a selection day (December through to March), which will include a 20 minutes informal panel interview with 2 interviewers interview and a group task lasting approximately 30 minutes.</p> <p>All applicants will be seen face to face – we do not offer Skype interviews.</p>
<p>St Andrews</p> <p>Tel:+44 (0) 1334 463593</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>The UKCAT test can vary each year. We cannot judge what the UKCAT scores for our applicants will be for</p>	<p>We will expect you to have an insight into medicine and healthcare gained from general reading or from attending medical careers conferences, talking to</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs) consisting of a small number of 'mini' interviews, each lasting around</p>

<p>medadmiss@st-andrews.ac.uk</p>	<p>2016 entry. http://medicine.st-andrews.ac.uk/prospectus/#</p>	<p>doctors or medical students. Applicants should have gained work or shadowing experience in a caring or health environment. This does not have to be in a hospital or GP's surgery but could be in a nursing home or local hospice or through working with people who have ill-health or a disability.</p>	<p>seven minutes.</p> <p>At interview you will be expected to demonstrate that you have an understanding of medicine as a career and that you appreciate the realities of working in a caring profession. Your communication and interpersonal skills will be assessed at each station and at least one station will involve role-play and interaction with an actor. You will also be assessed on your ability to discuss ethical issues.</p>
<p>St George's</p> <p>Tel: +44(0)20 8725 2333 study@sgul.ac.uk</p> <p>http://www.sgul.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/undergraduate-courses/medicine-mbbs/entry-criteria</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>Both the section scores and overall cut-off score need to be met; 500 in each section or above. We will receive the UKCAT results for 2016 entry in November 2015 and at that time will confirm the minimum overall score required to be selected for interview. We will not be using the SJT section for 2016 entry.</p>	<p>You will be required to demonstrate insight into Medicine through relevant work/voluntary experience at interview. You must also provide references for each piece of work/relevant experience you intend to present at interview. Undertaking relevant work experience and gaining insight from such activities helps you to decide whether Medicine is the right choice for you. We expect applicants to have a combination of experience in both healthcare and non-healthcare settings. You should be able to demonstrate why these experiences are relevant to an application for Medicine, see website for more.</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>Multi Mini Interview The interview consists of up to eight activities each lasting five minutes (40 minutes in total).</p> <p>Read here for further information : http://www.sgul.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/undergraduate-courses/medicine-mbbs/application</p>
<p>Swansea University</p> <p>GRADUATE ENTRY ONLY</p>	<p>GAMSAT</p> <p>Minimum overall score of 50, together with a minimum of 50 in section 3</p>	<p>Information not supplied.</p>	<p>FORMAL INTERVIEW</p> <p>You will be asked to sit a written assessment of 30 minutes duration.</p>

<p>Must be a home student UK and EU and minimum 2:1 or predicted 2:1</p> <p>Tel +44 (0) 1792 513400</p> <p>medicine@swansea.ac.uk</p>	<p>(reasoning in biological and physical sciences) in this or last year's GAMSAT.</p> <p>For entry in 2015, the overall cut-off score used was 58.</p>		<p>This is designed to identify those applicants whose personal and academic qualities are suitable to a career in medicine.</p> <p>Two separate interviews, each of 20 minutes duration, conducted by a pair of trained interviewers taken from a panel of doctors, academics, students and members of the public (lay) interviewers. Your personal statement will be considered and discussed during your interview.</p>
<p>University College London</p> <p>Tel:+44 (0)20 7679 0841</p> <p>medicaladmissions@ucl.ac.uk</p> <p>FAQs: http://www.ucl.ac.uk/medicalschooll/undergraduate/mbbs-admissions/faqs</p>	<p>BMAT</p> <p>The test scores are used, along with other information in the UCAS application, to help us select candidates for interview.</p> <p>Selection procedure: http://www.ucl.ac.uk/medicalschooll/undergraduate/mbbs-admissions/faqs/select.pdf</p>	<p>Previous experience (both personal and through work experience or volunteering), particularly if it has involved contact with the healthcare profession or laboratory work, or if the candidate has been involved with the sick, disabled, very young or elderly, and importantly, is able to reflect on their experiences.</p>	<p>FORMAL INTERVIEW</p> <p>The interview season begins in December and runs through March.</p> <p>Interviews last approximately 15-20 minutes and are conducted by a panel of 2-3 interviewers, including clinical and basic medical science staff, a senior medical student or 'lay' interviewer (e.g. Head of Sixth Form or GP). Interviewees will be given a copy of their BMAT essay prior to the interview, as discussion of their essay will form part of the assessment at interview.</p>
<p>Warwick University</p> <p>http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/med/study/ugr/</p> <p>GRADUATE ENTRY ONLY</p>	<p>UKCAT</p> <p>We will not be considering the Situational Judgement section of the test for 2016 entry.</p>	<p>It is essential to show evidence that you will be able to acquire the values of the NHS (including working together for patients, respect and dignity, commitment to quality of care), through</p>	<p>MMI</p> <p>At Selection Centre, you will take part in six Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs). See website for detailed information:</p>

<p>2:1 degree (or overseas equivalent) in ANY subject</p> <p>Tel: +44 (0)24 7652 4585</p> <p>wmsinfo@warwick.ac.uk</p>	<p>Please note that the total UKCAT score required to secure a place at our Selection Centre varies year on year and is dependent upon the UKCAT performance of applicants to Warwick Medical School.</p>	<p>people-focused work experience or volunteering.</p> <p>The minimum commitment we would expect to see is the equivalent of 2 weeks full-time (70 hours) across the last two years, completed by the time of your application. See: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/med/study/ugr/applying/entryreqs/</p>	<p>http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/med/study/ugr/applying/selectioncentre/</p>
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