

Admission – MD Program

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Registration Deadline: To apply to the MD Program at Schulich, all applicants must register for an account with OMSAS by the second week of September. Online applications are obtained from the OMSAS website, and must be submitted by the stated deadlines. Please refer to the OMSAS website

	for more information, i	ncluding
"Important Dates".		

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Please note that the admission policy is reviewed annually and the admission requirements from previous years may not apply. The University reserves the right to review and change the admission requirements at any time, without notice.

The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry provides an outstanding education within a research-intensive environment, where tomorrow's physicians, dentists and

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Oxford, Middlesex, Lambton, Chatham-Kent, Elgin, and Essex, Counties) and/or from the Indigenous communities.

Schulich Medicine & Dentistry's Distributed Education program is a partnership of over 50 communities throughout Southwestern Ontario which provides rural/regional medical education and training experience to undergraduate and postgraduate trainees from the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry.

The clinical clerkship or third year of the medical program is constituted so that all clerks will be expected to spend time outside of London or Windsor in the Distributed Education teaching sites. For those students with a particular interest in community medicine a rural/regional clerkship stream is available. Each year a section of students will complete the majority of the clerkship year in some of Schulich Medicine & Dentistry's Distributed Education communities. It is important that applicants to the Schulich Medicine MD undergraduate program understand that all students will be mandated to spend at least part of third year away from London or Windsor. There are no exceptions to this policy. By accepting an offer of admission to this program, students are consenting to participate fully in this approach to learning.

The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry is committed to increasing the number of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit physicians. It has established the Indigenous Admissions Committee to increase the enrollment of Indigenous students in Medicine and to provide Indigenous applicants and students with support and counseling to facilitate their success in medical school. Schulich Medicine has designated seats in each entering class for First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students. Applicants self-identified as Indigenous and one of Canada's First Peoples who wish

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are current active members of the Canadian Armed Forces for a minimum of 12 months prior to the application deadline.

Those who apply through the MMTP pathway may be considered for MCAT flexibility using the same criteria as set for our Southwestern Ontario stream. The MCAT criteria are re-set annually based on the competitiveness of the applicant pool.

To be eligible for the MMTP pathway, you must:

- Be an active member of the Canadian Armed Forces for a minimum of 12 months prior to the application deadline
- Consent to have verification of your application with the Canadian Armed Forces
- Be eligible and approved to receive funding of your medical school tuition by the Canadian Armed Forces (If you are(M)7 ()10 (mC /P <</M)]TJ 0 7 (I)red iBAmD (on)70 Canadian Armed Forces, you will be considered with (r)7 athe (m)-3 eneral stream application process and must meet all (m)-3 eneral stream admissions requirements).

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 Have completed your undergraduate degree within an accredited North American University, where your transcript will clearly outline course load and course levelling.

It is your responsibility to ensure that all relevant documentation is provided.

We reserve the right to verify elements of your application. Falsification or

Applicants are expected to show English language proficiency through preexisting post-secondary degree studies or successful completion of one of the following assessments:

• The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): minimum overall score and by categories:

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TOEFL Internet-based Test (TOEFL iBT): 100
    f Speaking: 26
    f Writing: 24
    f Reading: 24
    f Listening: 22
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• The Duolingo English Test: Must score a minimum of 120

Applicants must have completed the final four full years of study in the equivalent of a four-year undergraduate or two or more years in a graduate degree at a university that educates and assesses only in English and is located geographically in a country whose primary language of communication and commerce is English.

There are no prerequisite courses required for this Pathway.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure all relevant documentation is provided to OMSAS for Medicine Admissions.

Schulich Medicine reserves the right to verify all elements of your application. Falsification or misrepresentation of information will result in removal of the application from consideration and will preclude the applicant from being considered in any future applications to the MD Program at Western University.

Applicants through the Schulich Medicine International Applicant Pathway must meet all established admission requirements of the Medicine Admissions general stream applicants.

Applying through this Pathway will require applicants to: (1) undergo the standard

Combined Programs

1. MD/PhD Program

A maximum of three (3) seats will be set aside each year for applicants to the MD/PhD program. For further information, please visit the MD/PhD Program website at:

http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/medicine/undergraduate/research/mdphd_program.html

2. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery/MD/MSc Program

A maximum of one seat will be set aside each year for applicants to the OMFS/MD/MSc program. For details about this program, please visit: http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/dentistry/future_students/oral_maxillofacial_surgery.html

Additional Information for Applicants

1. Co-op Programs and Clinical Placements

All undergraduate degree programs that have a co-op or clinical placement component are dealt with on an individual basis. Questions about how this is considered, should be emailed to admissions.medicine@schulich.uwo.ca.

If applicants are enrolled in an Honours-level co-op degree program, their academic course work will be considered as follows:

The two years considered for GPA purposes will be the best two academic years with a full course load (5.0 courses or equivalent). Please note that an "academic year" in this case will consist of the two semesters which combine to complete one of the mandatory "years" of the program (e.g., a student's third year may consist of courses taken between September-December and May-September, while the student is registered by their university as being a third-year student. Two semesters belonging to different academic years of

Applicants who are enrolled in a course-based master's at the time of application must have completed all requirements by August 15th. A letter of good standing indicating there are no concerns with meeting all requirements of the course-based master's degree must be received at OMSAS no later than June 30th.

Western does not take graduate courses into consideration for the GPA; only undergraduate years are used. Applicants who currently are enrolled in a master's program are encouraged to make inquiries about the MD/PhD program: http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/medicine/undergraduate/research/mdphd_program.html

3. Repeat Courses

Schulich Medicine does not accept repeat courses. If a course is repeated, the course is not counted in the course load for that year, nor is it factored into the GPA calculation for that year. Therefore, if 5.0 courses or equivalent are taken, but one of them is a repeat course, that year will be considered to have less than a full course load and not suitable for GPA calculations.

4. Summer Courses

Summer courses will not be counted in the overall GPA for interview and admission consideration. Summer courses will not be counted as part of the September to April course load.

5. Disability and Admission to Medicine

The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, in accord with the Ontario Human Rights Code and University Policy, is committed to provision of equal access opportunities to all qualified applicants. To fulfill the requirements of the MD degree and to avoid