MONASH
BACHELOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE AND DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (MD)

Admissions information for international applicants 2024 entry
WHY STUDY IN MELBOURNE?

Melbourne is a multicultural melting pot of friendly, cosmopolitan people, with high education, health care, public transport and safety standards, along with excellent employment rates. Visitors and locals alike enjoy it for the coffee culture and unique laneway cafés.

Melbourne hosts a number of international cultural events and festivals each year and is home to major sporting events, including the Australian Open, the Spring Racing Carnival and the Australian F1 Grand Prix. There’s something for everyone with amusement parks, galleries, zoos, parks and gardens to a vibrant night life of theatres, bars, nightclubs, restaurants and concerts.

Get the full Melbourne experience by living on-campus at our Clayton campus. Learn more at monash.edu/accommodation

During your studies, you will be taught by outstanding academics and clinicians, and benefit from a variety of rotations in the three clinical years.

MONASH MEDICAL SCHOOL FOUNDED

Over the years the faculty has grown and we are now at the forefront of research and education in the medical field.

RANKED 40
FOR MEDICINE
QS World University Ranking by Subject (2023)
If you aspire to be a doctor, Monash provides you with the opportunities to reach those goals.

* Begin your medical studies from day one of your degree
* Graduate with a Doctor of Medicine

The Monash School of Medicine is internationally recognised for providing world-class education, with a comprehensive and interdisciplinary approach to medical training.

Our medical program has been designed in close consultation with doctors, health care professionals, and leaders in the health and research sectors to give you the scientific background and clinical expertise to ensure you are prepared for your future as a doctor. In a report released based on a survey of interns which was conducted by the Australian Medical Council and Medical Board of Australia, our graduates ranked as a doctor. In a report released based on a survey of interns which was conducted by the Australian Medical Council and Medical Board of Australia, our graduates ranked in an Australian hospital at the completion of their medical degree.

Any offer of a place in a Monash University medical course is made on the understanding that Monash in no way guarantees any period of internship circumstances are considered. It is recommended that applicants check the requirements in their country programs to undertake local internships and fulfil licensure requirements.

Many students return to their home countries at the conclusion of their course. The completion of a compulsory internship in an approved hospital, at the conclusion of a medical degree, is an important part of developing a commitment to be at the forefront of medical care professionals, and leaders in the health and research sectors to give you the opportunity to explore an aspect of research or professional practice using the research skills you develop earlier in the course.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

The program is offered to international applicants on a full-fee paying basis.

Additionally, other expenses students would expect to incur include accommodation, transport and living expenses, plus textbooks and stationery.

**Can I practise in my home country?**

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**Research component**

Basic research skills are introduced in the early years and further developed in Year 3B. In the final year of the course you’ll undertake a scholarly intensive placement under the supervision of a researcher or clinician. You’ll have the opportunity to explore an aspect of research or professional practice using the research skills you develop earlier in the course.

**Integrated case learning and clinical skills practice**

Integrated Case Learning (ICL) sessions are small group tutorials that are structured around a clinical scenario. In the early years, your ICL tutorials in groups of 12–15 students will incorporate curriculum content from biomedical sciences, sociology of science, clinical skills and professional requirements of clinical practice (e.g., ethics and law).

**Professional development**

Professional behaviour, and its importance in health service delivery, is nurtured along with the development of other high-level skills. You’ll be expected to be aware of and demonstrate the professional values and qualities of doctors such as respect for others, confidentiality, trustworthiness and dependability.

**Early clinical – hospital or GP observation**

You’ll have the opportunity to interact with health care professionals through a variety of medical contact visits to hospitals or community clinics. This aspect of the course allows you to experience an introduction to medical interviewing with real patients, taking a family history, as well as exploring the ethical aspects of clinical work.

**Clinical skills**

Clinical skills sessions are active, hands on learning led by clinicians. It’s about developing fundamental skills for taking a patient history, and covers basic examination techniques and simple procedural skills.

In years 3B, 4C and 5D we provide opportunities for you to develop and enhance these skills during clinical placement, by engaging with real patients during bedside tutorials and clinical settings, under the guidance of medical practitioners. Clinical placements may be in metropolitan or rural areas, where travel may be required.

**Simulation – patient safety**

The Patient Safety program is delivered in final year and is designed to equip you with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to be a safe practitioner. Simulations and clinical skills workshops are designed to provide practical hands on simulation experiences of authentic scenarios from clinical practice. This program is invaluable in preparing you for your role as an intern.

**Final year training – clinical**

The final year of the course is based upon a training internship model. Your clinical placements during the year include acute care, medicine, surgery, and chronic care. There is also a placement in a medical specialty of which you can select from an extensive range of options.

**Variety of learning styles**

Our innovative teaching sessions provide you with a range of learning modes. Lectures, seminars, workshops, tutorials and simulation sessions are designed to suit the content being covered. These sessions are delivered by content experts within the university as well as clinicians and researchers.

**PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION**

Upon completion of your degree you will receive provisional registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and the Medical Board of Australia. After the completion of a compulsory internship in an approved hospital, graduates become eligible for full registration.
Why Monash?

You’ll undertake clinical experience in some of the country’s most highly regarded centres of medical care and expertise.

In the M.D you’ll be learning from staff across Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences who are leaders in their field. You’ll also benefit from our links with the largest health care provider network in Australia, which includes the Monash Medical Centre and The Alfred Hospital (Melbourne’s major casualty hospital), Eastern Health, and health services in rural and regional Victoria and outer metropolitan Melbourne. Our course has a very strong focus on patient safety, evidence-based practice, clinical role modeling, and professionalism.

Monash Clinical Partners

**Alfred Health** offers a range of specialist medical and surgical services across three sites in Victoria. The Alfred Hospital is Victoria’s top trauma centre and largest intensive care unit.

**Monash Health** is Victoria’s largest public health service, providing healthcare to one-quarter of Melbourne’s population. Hospitals include Monash Medical Centre Clayton, Dandenong Hospital, Casey Hospital and the new Monash Children’s Hospital, one of only two paediatric hospitals in Victoria.

**Bendigo Health** services the Loddon Mallee region, an area nearly the quarter of the size of Victoria. The new Bendigo Hospital opened in late 2017, incorporating the latest design and technology solutions, in a tranquil and caring environment.

**Peninsula Health** is a major health care provider serving the metropolitan and regional areas on Victoria’s Mornington Peninsula. Frankston and Rosebud Hospitals are teaching hospitals with over 1000 beds, providing a wide range of services from obstetrics to aged care, rehabilitation, emergency and intensive care, oncology, psychiatric services and Hospital in the Home (HITH). Frankston Hospital will soon house a new $15 million teaching and research hub, with state-of-the-art facilities to train the next generation of doctors.

Why Monash?

Watch a Day in My Life: Medicine in Mildura with Isabel

What is it like to study medicine at Monash University and complete a rural placement in Mildura? Follow third-year student Isabel on a day of placement at Mildura Base Public Hospital. Experience life as a rural medical student undertaking learning activities in the Monash Rural Health Simulation Centre.

[youtube video](https://youtu.be/XEsTkgIg7YA)
ONE PROGRAM – TWO ENTRY POINTS

We offer 80 places in our direct entry program for international students and a further 30 places in our graduate entry program, giving international students more opportunities to study at one of Australia’s most respected and prestigious medical schools.

DIRECT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS (5 YEARS)

Year 12 or equivalent 33.3%

The direct entry program is only available to current Grade 12 (or equivalent) or applicants who have completed Grade 12 no more than two years prior and have not commenced any form of other tertiary studies during that time.

Overseas-based applicants

All overseas-based applicants must submit certified copies of their final results to your agent, or, for direct applicants, directly to Monash. These will be required by early December 2023. Offers will not be made on interim or predicted results.

Australian-based applicants

International students studying the Year 12 in Australia must apply through VTAC, visit: vtac.edu.au

International applicants completing an Australian Year 12 program who wish to be considered for Medicine at Monash must have completed or be in the final year of completing a bachelor’s degree from an internationally recognised university. The degree must consist of significant and broad biomedical science content (for example Pharmacology, Physiology, Immunology, Biochemistry, Microbiology or Genetics) to be eligible for consideration.

GRADUATE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS (4 YEARS)

International students interested in Graduate Entry Medicine at Monash must have completed or be in the final year of completing a bachelor’s degree from an internationally recognised university. The degree must consist of significant and broad biomedical science content with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 6.0 out of 7.0.

Interview 60%

Applicants will be invited to attend an interview (MMI format) based on their academic results.

ISAT 33.3%

The Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences will determine those applicants who are to be offered an interview. Selection for interview will be based on overall performance in the ISAT but applicants must achieve an overall total score of 170 or above, with a minimum of 165 in both sections – Critical Reasoning and Quantitative Reasoning.

Students must nominate Monash University as a preference when they register for the ISAT. It is also essential that the email address that you register for the ISAT matches the email address that you supply on application to Monash.

For further information visit: isat.acre.edu.au

IMPORTANT NOTE

Applicants who have commenced tertiary study (Certificate IV and above) are ineligible for the direct entry program.

DIRECT AND GRADUATE ENTRY ENROLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Upon enrolment you will be asked to comply with the mandatory immunisation requirements in readiness for clinical or fieldwork placements. You will be required to obtain a Police Check annually and a Working with Children Check. It’s highly recommended that you hold or attain, by the end of first semester of the course, a current registered Level 2 First Aid Certificate. You’ll receive further instructions about the requirements prior to or on course commencement. For further information visit: monash.edu/medicine/study/student-services/mandatory-compliance

WHAT IS A MULTIPLE MINI INTERVIEW (MMI)?

At Monash we use a four station Multiple Mini Interview (MMI). Each circuit comprises a series of scenarios and associated questions focusing on applicants’ personal qualities. Each applicant is given two minutes of reading time followed by eight minutes to answer five questions relevant to the scenario. At the completion of the eight minutes, there is a further two-minute changeover and reading time for the next scenario. The MMI format allows the faculty to determine which applicants possess the personal qualities required to succeed in the MD program, as well as the qualities that we are looking for in health care professionals, including:

1. Collaboration and advocacy
2. Critical thinking
3. Motivation and resilience
4. Empathy and ethical reasoning

IMPORTANT DATES

International applicants completing an Australian Year 12 program who wish to be considered for Medicine at Monash in 2024 MUST apply through VTAC (vtac.edu.au) by the close of early applications on 28 September 2023. If you remove Medicine from your preferences after 28 September 2023, you cannot reinstate it in your preferences and you will no longer be eligible to be considered.

Offers for a place in Medicine will only be made for non-VTAC applicants once they have provided official, certified, final academic transcripts. If you are completing your Year 12 equivalent studies at the end of the year and can only provide final, certified documentation in December or January, you should consider applying for the next intake as places for Medicine at Monash may be filled by the time we can fully assess your application for an offer.

INTERVIEW DATES

It’s vital you are aware of the interview dates and make yourself available during these times. Only those who attend an interview will remain eligible for a place in the MD program. We don’t run interviews outside of the allocated times.

Interview

33.3%

At Monash we use the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI). This allows us to determine which applicants possess the necessary personal qualities required to succeed in the program and that we are looking for in health care professionals. You’ll only be able to undertake the MMI once.

Academic record 40%

Completed or in the final year of completing a degree with a significant and broad component of biomedical science content with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 6.0 out of 7.0.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Applicants who are required to complete National Military Service in their home country are exempt from the two-year rule and can apply during the final year of their service.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICINE

Year 12 or equivalent results required for direct entry
Studies in Chemistry and English are prerequisite requirements for entry.

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ALBERTA
High School Diploma
60% or above in Grade 12 Chemistry
60% or above in English Language Arts 30-1, English Language Arts 30-2 (provincially examined)
90% Average of best five Final Grade 12 results in academic subjects

BRITISH COLUMBIA
Certificate of Graduation
60% or above in Grade 12 English (provincially examined)
90% Average of best four Final Grade 12 results in academic subjects

ONTARIO
Secondary School Diploma
60% or above in Grade 12 English
92.50% Average score of the six best Grade 12 subjects (excluding workplace preparation or open courses)

NOVA SCOTIA
High School Graduation Diploma
70% or above in Grade 12 Chemistry
70% or above in Grade 12 English
90% Average of percentage grades for the best five Grade 12 academic subjects as awarded on the High School Transcript issued by Nova Scotia Department of Education. Evidence of successful completion must be provided.

Entry requirements from other countries
- All India Senior School Certificate
- Indian School Certificate Examination
- Advanced Placement, America
- SAT, America (Total score out of 2400)
- SAT, America (Total score out of 1600)
- High School Diploma, Vietnam
- Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education
- SPM, Malaysia
- SPML, Malaysia
- UEC, Malaysia
- UNSW Foundation Studies
- University of Melbourne, Trinity College Foundation Studies

Subject prerequisites
All applicants must satisfy the following prerequisites or their equivalents.

AUSTRALIAN VCE SUBJECTS

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English language requirements
International applicants can meet English language requirements by passing the required result in one of the following tests:

- **Level C**
  - A minimum overall IELTS score of 7.0 with a minimum band score less than 6.5.
  - A TOEFL minimum test score of 807 with a test of Written English (TWE) score of at least 4.5 in the written TOEFL.
  - An overall score of at least 94 with at least 24 in writing, 19 in reading and no less than 20 in listening and speaking in the Internet based TOEFL.

- **Level B**
  - A minimum of 39 in Standard or 4 in Higher Level.
  - At least 5 in one of the following SL subjects: English A: Literature, or English A: Language and Literature, or Literature and Performance, OR
  - At least 4 in one of the following HL subjects: English A: Literature, or English A: Language and Literature, OR
  - At least 6 in one of the following SL subjects: English A1, or English B, OR
  - At least 5 in the following HL subject: English B
  - Minimum score of 90% in five Grade 12 academic subjects as awarded on the High School Transcript issued by Nova Scotia Department of Education. Evidence of successful completion must be provided.

- **Level A**
  - A minimum overall IELTS score of 7.0 with a minimum band score less than 6.5.
  - A TOEFL minimum test score of 807 with a test of Written English (TWE) score of at least 4.5 in the written TOEFL.
  - An overall score of at least 94 with at least 24 in writing, 19 in reading and no less than 20 in listening and speaking in the Internet based TOEFL.

Life at Monash

Why did you choose to study medicine at Monash University?
Initially, the thought of moving overseas to study at Monash was a daunting one. It was difficult to think of living away from the comfort of home in Singapore and entering a new environment is always a challenge. I took a leap of faith and accepted Monash’s offer to study Medicine in Melbourne, and I haven’t looked back since.

Monash University boasts a wide range of support if you choose to study Medicine, whether you aspire to be a doctor treating patients or to expand knowledge as a researcher. The support that the faculty gives to its students, especially those from an international background, is second-to-none. When you combine these benefits with the appeal of a shorter undergraduate course located in one of the most liveable cities in the world, Melbourne, studying at Monash becomes very appealing.

What is the best thing about studying Medicine at Monash?
I have really enjoyed the care and support given by the faculty. They always strive to understand what students are going through, and are extremely conscious of the challenges that we face. The passion with which the faculty teaches is infectious, and I find that my own desire to learn has only increased in these past few years. It seems like every day there is something new to be excited about in Medicine, and being able to unpack new knowledge with the faculty has been a true privilege.

What would be your advice for someone who’s looking to study medicine at Monash?
That it’s worth it. There are moments when I simply sit back in disbelief at the new people and experiences that I’ve encountered here at Monash. It has been a life-changing experience and I’m glad to be at home here at Monash University.

ETHAN CHAN
Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine

ACCOMMODATION

Start with a short stroll to class. Swim a few laps before lunch. Study on the lawns in the afternoon. Gyms, sports fields and pools, grocery stores, banks and even restaurants – they’re all on your doorstep if you live on campus.

On-campus accommodation
On-campus accommodation is supported by live-in staff and student leaders, making campus life a breeze. There’s also 24-hour security and being able to unpack new knowledge with the faculty has been a true privilege.

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LIVING EXPENSES

There are additional living expenses beyond accommodation costs. You’ll need to budget for groceries, utilities, public transport or a car, and there’s also entertainment to consider as well! The website below provides a calculator where you can calculate your estimated costs to give you a sense of what your expenses may be.

1. The fees for living in campus at Monash University vary depending on the type of accommodation. On-campus accommodation costs include gas, water, electricity, Internet, resident parking permit and laundry. Prices for off-campus are different. The costs provided here are for reference only. Please contact the Monash University Accommodation Office for more information.

2. International applicants can meet English language requirements by gaining a minimum overall IELTS score of 7.0 with no individual band score less than 6.5.


4. The prices for on-campus accommodation may vary depending on the accommodation type. Please visit www.monash.edu/accommodation/pricing-and-policy for more information.
HOW DO I APPLY?

DIRECT ENTRY

**COURSE CODE M6011** CRICOS CODE 088889D
Direct Entry Medicine – Clayton Campus

Overseas-based and Foundation year applicants must contact Student Recruitment and Admissions: monash.edu/study/international/apply

International (onshore or offshore) Year 12 applicants who are studying an Australian high school curriculum must apply through vtac.edu.au using VTAC Course Code 2800311233 by 28 September 2023.

FOR AGENTS IN YOUR AREA

monash.edu/study/international/apply/through-an-agent

TO APPLY DIRECTLY

monash.edu/study/how-to-apply/international-student-applications

WHEN TO APPLY

monash.edu/medicine/important-dates

Applicants who expect to obtain permanent residency by the commencement of the course are advised to contact the Faculty Admissions Unit for further information. Entry requirements for local applicants can be found on course finder.

GRADUATE ENTRY

**COURSE CODE M6018** CRICOS CODE 0101541
Graduate Entry Medicine – Churchill Campus

GRADUATE ENTRY APPLICATIONS

Applications will be direct to Monash University.

monash.edu/admissions/apply/online

2024 GRADUATE ENTRY CALENDAR

monash.edu/medicine/grad-entry

MONASH UNIVERSITY recognises that its Australian campuses are located on the unceded lands of the people of the Kulin Nations, and pays its respects to their Elders, past and present.

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