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Are you curious about medical research or clinical practice? The Doctor of Medicine of The University of Notre Dame Australia is a four-year postgraduate degree accredited by the Medical Board of Australia on the recommendation of the Australian Medical Council. You will undertake clinical placements in the third and fourth year in various settings, including aged care facilities, public and private hospitals, general practice, and community-based services in urban and rural areas across Australia. Extend your medical career today.

Program information for 2025:

Domestic

International

Why study this degree?

As the only medical program offered by a Catholic university in Australia, the Doctor of Medicine aims to develop and train caring and ethical doctors imbued with the values of compassion, respect, and service. All students at Notre Dame undertake a Core Curriculum component of the study that involves an exploration of bioethics in the first year of the program.

The first and second years of your studies provide a solid foundation for your medical degree. You will have the opportunity to undertake problem-based learning tutorials conducted by medically-qualified tutors, clinical and communication skills sessions, workshops, clinical debriefing tutorials and site visits. In the second year, you will begin to work on a research-based or professionally-focused project on one of 10 themes: Clinical Science, Bioethics, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, Rural Medicine or Medical Leadership and Health Policy.

In the third year, you will undertake a series of clinical placements in in hospitals and community settings where you will engage with patients, their families and the healthcare professionals caring for them. This strong focus on experiential learning is further complemented by a series of weekly 'Back-to-Base Days', in which you will return to your principal Clinical School for short case tutorials, grand rounds, journal club sessions and expert guest lectures.

Your fourth and final year will see you complete further clinical placements. You will explore a range of disciplines in a range of health settings and present your project for examination in the Applied Research Project course of study. Following the fourth-year end-of-year examinations,

you will commence a four-week elective learning period where you can extend your medical knowledge in an area of personal interest.

Essential elements of our Medical postgraduate degree include:

- Access to innovative clinical skills training
- Learning from clinical academics who are experts in their fields
- Aboriginal health, rural and remote placements
- A problem-based learning curriculum delivered in small groups in years one and two
- Clinical placements in both the public and private sector hospitals in years three and four
- A liberal arts education in bioethics
- Applied research project in an area of interest to you
 Medicine Information Session (https://vimeo.com/823922448)

Program summary Year One

Foundations of a Medical Vocation

Year Two

• Foundations of Clinical Practice

Year Three

- Clinical Apprenticeships/ Clinical Apprenticeships in a Rural Setting
- Systematic Research Inquiry

Year Four

Preparing for Internship

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the <u>Program Requirements</u> (https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0009/410 of-Medicine-Sydney.pdf).

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More information regarding courses can be found at the course descriptions (https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-medicine/sydney/course-descriptions) page.

Entry requirements

Admission to the Doctor of Medicine (MD) program is currently only available to Australian citizens, Australian permanent humanitarian visa holders, Australian permanent residents and New Zealand citizens.

In 2024, up to 60 full-fee places are available for international students (please see the section below for entry requirements). Domestic applicants will be selected for admission based on the following criteria:

- Bachelor's degree (recognised by the Australian Qualifications Framework or the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Guide) within the last 10 years, or be in the final year of a Bachelor's degree in any discipline.
- Unweighted GAMSAT average score of 52 or greater and a minimum score of 50 in each section
- Overall Grade Point Average of 5.2 or higher
- Casper score from the online Situational Judgement Test (no minimum) (see key dates). For more information on

- Casper and how to register for the tests, refer directly to https://acuityinsights.app/)
- The School of Medicine uses a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format: Since 2020 this has been delivered via a recorded online platform and an online platform delivery is continuing in 2024. There will be at least seven stations with a single interviewer/assessor per station. The interview will be recorded with the use of an online interviewing software tool, Modern Hire.

Applicants must also complete and submit a <u>GEMSAS</u> Online Application (https://gemsas.edu.au/).

As a guide, applicants made offers for the Doctor of Medicine at Notre Dame Fremantle in 2024 intake had an average GPA and GAMSAT as shown in the table below.

Campus	Interv	Interview average		Place offer average	
	GPA	GAMSAT	GPA	GAMSAT	
Fremantle	6.58	64.65	6.58	64.85	

Please note that interview places also take into account other factors, including CASPER and bonus points. Place offers additionally take into account interview scores and are based on Round 1 offers only. Average GPA and GAMSAT scores do not include applicants who were considered on additional criteria including but not limited to, rurality, and facilitated interview pathway eligibility.

Please see the <u>2024 GEMSAS Admissions Guide</u> (https://gemsas.edu.au/) for further details on admission requirements for the Doctor of Medicine.

Kimberley Centre for Remote Medical Training (KCRMT)

The KCRMT will host a new end to end (4 year) medical program for up to 26 students for commencing MD program in 2025. It is designed to increase access to the MD for students from rural communities and build a future medical workforce, particularly for the Broome/Kimberley/Pilbara regions, and provide the students with the opportunity to complete all their medical training in regional WA. Apply for the Kimberley Centre for Remote Medical Training (https://www.notredame.edu.au/forms/admissions/kcrmt-application).

Applicants to the KCRMT Rural Training Scheme will be considered on their First Nations, equity and rural backgrounds and ranked according to a tiered priority system.

Tier 1: Applicants must be residents of the Broome, Kimberley, Pilbara regions for at least 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively.

Tier 2: Applicants must meet one of the following two criteria:

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant from across Australia, or
- Must have resided for 5 years consecutively or 10 years cumulatively, or more, in rural or regional area and have resided for at least 10 years cumulatively in Western Australia.

Tier 3: Non-rural and / or non-Western Australian residents.

Applicants who meet the Tier 1 eligibility criteria will have the following admission requirements waived:

- A valid GAMSAT, and
- An undergraduate degree that must have been completed within the last 10 years.

All applications for Tier 1 MUST be submitted direct to The University of Notre Dame Australia.

Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria for Tier 1 who have a valid GAMSAT and meet the 10-year rule requirements can still apply via GEMSAS by indicating their interest in the Scheme in the application form.

Applicants for Tier 2 and Tier 3 must apply via GEMSAS and a valid GAMSAT, CASPER and meeting the 10-year rule is a requirement for these Tiers.

Please be aware the preference place for The University of Notre Dame Australia, Fremantle Campus may be taken into account when ranking applicants for interview and/or place offers for the Rural Training Scheme.

For further information on the KCRMT tiers and entry requirements, including application for Tier 1, please visit the Pathways to Medicine page.

Learning outcomes

Clinical Practice: the medical graduate as practitioner

Professionalism and Leadership: the medical graduate as a professional and a leader

Science and Scholarship: the medical graduate as scientist and scholar

Health and Society: the medical graduate as a

health advocate

Entry pathways

General Pathway entry

Assured Pathway entry

Priority Pathway entry

Kimberley Centre for Remote Medical Training (KCRMT)

Pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

The Standard Entry Pathway

The Aboriginal Entry Pathway

Facilitated pathways to interview UNDA graduates

Graduate Diploma of Health and Medical Sciences graduates

UTS Bachelor of Advanced Science in Pre-Medicine graduates

ACU Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences Facilitated Interview Pathway

Key dates for Doctor of Medicine 2025 entry

Entry Events
GEMSAS
Applications open

5pm AEST/3pm AWST 31 May 2024	GEMSAS Applications close
Early September	Offers of interviews made
Late September to early October	Interviews
Early November	Offers of places made
20 January 2025 (TBC)	Classes commence

Casper Testing Dates

UNDA MD domestic applicants for the 2023-2024 admissions cycle:

- Tuesday 16 April 2024 9am AEST
- Wednesday 1 May 2024 7pm AEST
- Sunday 26 May 2024 10am AEST
- Thursday 6 June 2024 7pm AEST

Please see the 2024 <u>GEMSAS Admissions Guide</u> (http://www.gemsas.edu.au) for further details on admission requirements for the Doctor of Medicine.

Practical component

Clinical Placements and rural work experiences are included in this program. Students are to complete all clinical placements including after-hours work and attend all rural experiences.

Career opportunities

A Doctor of Medicine degree can lead to many career opportunities depending on your area of specialisation or interest. Careers include Medical practitioners, cardiologists, physiologists, obstetricians, gastroenterologists, neurologists, and oncologists.

Real-world experience

As with all our degrees, the Doctor of Medicine places a strong emphasis on practical training and experiential learning. Throughout the four years of your study you will undertake clinical placements in a variety of settings including aged care facilities, public and private hospitals and general practice.

Professional accreditation

The Doctor of Medicine (MD) is accredited by the Australian Medical Council as meeting national standards of medical education, permitting graduates to receive provisional registration and become a junior doctor (also known as a doctor-in-training) and enter the medical workforce.

Fees and costs

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

Domestic Fee-Paying

A domestic fee-paying place is a place at university where the student is responsible for the full cost the program.

Eligible domestic fee-paying students may apply for the <u>FEE-HELP loan scheme</u>

(https://www.studyassist.gov.au/previewlink/node/108/a39069a0-c0d9-4ed5-ad8e-1df4d43a987a) which assists eligible fee-paying students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your FEE-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

International Full-Fee Paying

Tuition costs depend on an international student's study load and discipline. Fees are payable each semester at least four weeks prior to the commencement of your program.

For indicative fees and information on how to pay, including Government loan schemes and our online calculator, visit our <u>Fees</u>, costs and scholarships page (https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships).

More information

Considering your uni options?

Talk to one of our career advisors for a <u>personalised</u> advice session (https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h). Our advisors provide support while choosing a program of study and completing our application process. <u>Book my session</u>. (https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h)

For more information, please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 8 9433 0533 for the Fremantle campus, +61 2 8204 4404 for the Sydney campus, or email medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au (mailto:medicine.admissions@nd.edu.au).

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Need help? Ask Notre Dame

(02) 8204 4400 - NSW

(08) 9433 0873 - International

Duration: 4 years of full-time study

Duration type: Full time

Campus: Sydney

Study mode: On campus

Commencement: Semester 1

Program code: 5142

CRICOS code: 095688K

Fee: Domestic Full Fees; International Full Fees

Practical Component: Third and fourth year clinical

acement

Cost: See Fees and costs

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