

YOUR PATHWAY TO A CAREER IN MEDICINE



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BACHELOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE (PATHWAY TO MEDICINE)

CQUniversity Australia's Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) is more than study and placement opportunities. Enrolling in this course means joining the Regional Medical Pathway and being part of the next generation of doctors positively impacting the health of regional and rural communities.

CQU's Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) is an innovative course that immerses you in a unique, supportive student community with highly-invested and passionate mentors and teachers.

You'll begin your studies with CQU's Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) at either the Rockhampton or Bundaberg campuses. Upon successful completion*, you'll progress into UQ's Doctor of Medicine program at their Rural Clinical School sites in Rockhampton, Bundaberg or Hervey Bay.

REAL-WORLD OPPORTUNITIES

As a Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) student studying in regional Queensland, you'll benefit from exposure to a wide variety of clinical settings and hands-on experiences. This will help build your confidence and equip you with the skills needed to make a real difference in patients' lives throughout your career.

LOCAL CONNECTIONS

The course's small cohort size will help you create meaningful connections with teaching staff and fellow students, that will stay with you as you progress into UQ's Doctor of Medicine and following this, your medical career.

Whether you're in the classroom or on placement, you'll begin to build a professional network with a community of passionate medical practitioners who are invested in your learning journey and want to see you succeed.



You'll benefit from the diverse and unique experiences, perspectives, learnings and insights from the lecturers and other health practitioners you'll meet in this course, who have worked across Australia and abroad.

WHY CHOOSE CQU

- » **Unique study experience**
Study with the support of a team of professionals dedicated to making this pathway unlike any other medical program.
- » **Impact the health of regional communities**
Be empowered to deliver positive and ongoing improvement to the health of regional and rural communities.
- » **Australian-first university and hospital partnership**
Benefit from studying and working in clinical settings designed to promote broad learning experiences.
- » **Career focused**
Gain a well-rounded understanding of biomedical science and health, providing skills and knowledge needed to progress with UQ's Doctor of Medicine.
- » **Entry into UQ's Doctor of Medicine**
Successful completion gives you the opportunity of direct entry into UQ's Doctor of Medicine program.*

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for entry, you must complete your high school studies in the year prior to starting CQU's Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine). You must complete English (Units 3 and 4, C); Mathematical Methods (Units 3 and 4, C) or equivalent; one of physics, chemistry, or biology (Units 3 and 4, C) or equivalent.

Entry is competitive with a limited number of places (20 places in Bundaberg and 20 places in Rockhampton). The minimum entry score required is ATAR 95.0 (Adjusted). Entry will also require a competitive University Clinical Aptitude Test for Australia and New Zealand (UCAT ANZ) aggregate score. Eligible applicants will be invited to attend a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) as part of the selection process. We encourage all interested applicants to apply regardless of their UCAT score.

BONDED VS NON-BONDED PLACE

You can apply for both (or either) a Non-Bonded and a Bonded Medical Place. The Bonded Medical Program is a government initiative to provide more Australian-trained doctors in areas of workforce shortage, particularly in regional, rural and remote Australia. More information about the Bonded Medical Program is available from the Department of Health website: www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/bonded-medical-program.

ASSISTANCE SCHEMES

SUBJECT INCENTIVE SCHEME

If you are applying for the Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) you may be eligible to receive ATAR/rank adjustments for successfully completing specific Year 12 subjects or university-level study while at school.

RURAL ACCESS SCHEME

The Rural Access Scheme may allow you to apply for 2 ATAR/rank adjustments if you have lived in rural Australia, or 3 ATAR/rank adjustments if you have lived in both rural Australia and Central Queensland or Wide Bay.

START UNI NOW (SUN) APPROVED UNITS

SUN is a CQUniversity initiative that offers high school students the opportunity to complete university units while still in high school. Completing an approved SUN unit/s from the Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) will provide you with a maximum of 1 ATAR/rank adjustment when applying for the Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine).

If you're successful in gaining admission into the Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine), you may be eligible for credit transfer for successful completion of specified SUN units.

Find out more about assistance schemes.



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REGIONAL
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The Regional Medical Pathway (RMP) is an Australian-first university and hospital partnership between CQUniversity, The University of Queensland, and the Central Queensland and Wide Bay Hospital and Health Services.

It's a community of educators, mentors, clinicians and advocates committed to improving regional, rural and remote health outcomes by nurturing and inspiring the next generation of medical doctors.

PATHWAY VALUES

By enrolling in the Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) you join a community that shares a commitment to:

- » Excellence
- » Connectedness
- » Inclusivity
- » Mentoring
- » Friendship
- » Social Accountability.

*A GPA of 5.0 is required for direct entry to UQ's Doctor of Medicine.

HOW TO APPLY

An alternative admission pathway is available for students who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Talk to us to find out more.

STEP 1: COMPLETE YOUR UCAT ANZ

The University Clinical Aptitude Test Australia New Zealand (UCAT ANZ) is a test used by universities to help select the most appropriate applicants for clinical careers. The UCAT ANZ is a computer-based test delivered in Pearson VUE test centres.

Find out more about how to prepare, register and sit the UCAT ANZ at ucat.edu.au.

STEP 2: APPLY THROUGH QTAC

For CQUniversity's Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine), QTAC applications open in early August and will close in late September.

STEP 3: ATTEND MULTI MINI INTERVIEWS (MMIS)

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to participate in the MMI. MMIs are designed to assess your non-academic qualities and provide you with opportunities to demonstrate skills and qualities such as verbal communication, adaptability, and empathy.

The MMIs involve a circuit of interview stations. At each station, you will respond to a scenario with a number of questions.

You will move from one station to the next, with short breaks between each station. While there will be multiple applicants attending the MMIs, you are interviewed individually at each station.

More details on MMIs including where and when they will be held will be announced mid-year. Sign up to our newsletter to keep up-to-date on the latest information.



NEXT STEPS

YOUR YEAR 12 TIMELINE

March – Register for your UCAT ANZ

July to August – Sit your UCAT ANZ

Early September – UCAT ANZ results are provided to universities

Late September – QTAC applications close

Late October – Invitations for MMIs are released

November – MMIs are conducted

January (following year) - Letters of offers sent

KEEP IN TOUCH

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