Direct Entry MBBS

Monash University is the only Victorian university that offers Year 12 students who aspire to become a doctor the option of applying directly to the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (Honours) (MBBS) program from school.

Our Direct Entry MBBS, offered at the Clayton campus, has 240 places for domestic students and a further 65 places for international students.

This course is only available to current year 12 students or those who have completed year 12 no more than two years prior to applying.

To be eligible, applicants must have completed the prerequisite studies in Chemistry and English. While not a prerequisite requirement, applicants who are offered a place in the course and who have not completed Biology will be required to complete a short, online bridging program before commencing.

Domestic applicants are required to undertake the UMAT while international students undertake the ISAT. If an applicant’s citizenship status is expected to change during the selection process, they should undertake both the UMAT and ISAT.

Interviews for onshore international students will be held on 21 and 24 November 2014.

Interviews for Victorian domestic applicants including IB students and Victorian and interstate Dean’s Rural and Dean’s Indigenous List applicants will be held from 6 to 9 January 2015.

Interviews for interstate and New Zealand applicants will be held on 28 and 29 January 2015.


DEAN’S RURAL LIST

Applicants with a rural background may be able to boost their chances of entry into the MBBS by submitting an application via the Dean’s Rural List scheme. In past, about 60 to 80 applicants were offered an interview with a score slightly lower than the standard faculty-determined MBBS cut-off due to their Dean’s Rural List application.

To be eligible, applicants must have lived in a regional or remote area (RA classification 2-5) for a combined total of at least five years since beginning primary school. For example, applicants who have undertaken most of their schooling in a rural area but have completed the final years of study in a metropolitan area could be eligible to apply.

It is vital that applicants who think they are eligible provide details about themselves when they are contacted by Monash in October 2014. To check eligibility see: [http://doctorconnect.gov.au/internet/otd/Publishing.nsf/content/locator](http://doctorconnect.gov.au/internet/otd/Publishing.nsf/content/locator)

When checking an RA classification, type in the full address to get the most accurate information.

DEAN’S INDIGENOUS LIST
Similarly, applicants who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are encouraged to submit an application via the Dean's Indigenous List. Information will be made available to all timely VTAC applicants setting out eligibility requirements on October 2014. In addition to increasing an applicant’s chance for interview, successful applicants are also eligible to apply for waiving of certain costs associated with their study.

**Graduate Entry MBBS**

Monash University also offers a Graduate Entry MBBS (Honours) program. It provides an ideal pathway for applicants who are not successful in gaining a place in the direct entry program.

Applicants considering this pathway are encouraged to undertake the Bachelor of Biomedical Science at Monash as the best option for gaining admission as from 2017 at least 50 of the 75 Graduate Entry MBBS places available will be reserved for students who have completed this degree.

Biomedical Science students (including those undertaking double degrees) will have the advantage of potentially being offered an interview and a place in the Graduate entry MBBS at the end of their second year (or penultimate year of study for double degree students).

To be eligible for this pathway applicants must maintain a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 70 or above at the end of the second semester of their penultimate year. If offered a place in the Graduate entry degree applicants must still complete their final year maintaining a WAM of 70.

The remaining 25 places in this program will be open to students who have completed the following **Monash University** degrees:

- Bachelor of Biomedical Science (including double degrees)
- Bachelor of Pharmacy
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy
- *Bachelor of Science (Dependent on the completion of designated units)

Applicants apply in the final year of their degree for the remaining 25 places.

GAMSAT will not be required for entry in 2017 and beyond.


**FMNHS Course changes**

**Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours)** – Reminder UMAT and ISAT are NOT required for entry for 2015 and beyond. Interview is still a requirement and will be offered based on applicants’ academic record. Interviews will be conducted in January.

**Bachelor of Radiography and Medical Imaging (Honours)** – An interview has been introduced as an extra requirement for entry into this course. Applicants will be invited to attend an interview in January based on their academic performance.

**Bachelor of Nursing (Community Health)** – The Berwick campus course will no longer have the (Community Health) tag and will become the Bachelor of Nursing from 2015. Applicants should be aware that if looking for the Berwick course when applying through VTAC that it will be listed under Monash University’s Bachelor of Nursing together with the Clayton and Peninsula campus programs.
Discontinued courses
The following courses will not be offered from 2015:

- Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Emergency Health (Peninsula campus)
- Bachelor of Health Science and Bachelor of Business (Caulfield campus)