School of Medicine: Admission Requirements for A100: Guidelines for international applicants

Admissions Test: All non-graduate applicants applying to the A100 programme must take UCAT. Details at www.ucat.ac.uk and https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/medicine/study-with-us/undergraduate/admissions-information/

The qualifications below are the minimum required for direct application to A100. If your country is not on the list below please contact mbchb@liverpool.ac.uk for advice. Applicants able to offer GCSEs/Science based A-levels or IB will usually be expected to meet our standard entry criteria for A100 as outlined at https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/medicine/study-with-us/undergraduate/admissions-information/. Applicants from any of the countries listed below will usually be expected to offer qualifications in our core subjects of English Language, Maths and Sciences (to include Biology, Chemistry and Physics). Graduate applicants (i.e. those who already hold a minimum of a good 2:1 honours degree or who are on or about to enter the final year of a degree programme and have a degree award pending) will usually be expected to sit the GAMSAT admissions test. Details at http://gamsat.acer.org Applicants will be required to demonstrate proficiency in English through either IELTS (with a minimum of 7.0 in any component) or TOEFL (IBT only) 100 (with a minimum of 22 in writing, reading and listening and at least 24 in speaking). We do not accept other English Language qualifications. Please note that the guidelines below assume that grades will be achieved at first sitting. Applications for deferred entry for international places will not be considered.

Academic Requirements:

Australia: Usually a minimum ATAR score of 92.00, Queensland an Overall Position (OP) score of at least 5, both to include Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics.

Canada: Usually at least 80% in Grade 12 Secondary School Diploma, achieved over all year 12 subjects taken and with a minimum of 80% in Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Mathematics and English. Applicants offering a degree would usually require a GPA in the region of 3.5.

Hong Kong: HKDSE to include 5, 5 in two elective subjects, to include Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics, plus 4 in each of Core English Language (with no component score less than 4) and Core Maths.

India: Usually successful completion of Standard XII with a minimum overall average of at least 85% from 4 core subjects, to include a minimum of 85% in Chemistry and 85% from one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics, and a minimum of 70% in English.

Iran: Diploma-Meteorasht is considered in lieu of GCSEs on a subject basis. This would need to be supplemented by appropriate GCE A levels to include A grades in Chemistry one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics plus a third academic subject. Students offering a Pre-university certificate may be considered in lieu of A-levels.

Malaysia: SPMs may be considered in lieu of GCSEs on a subject basis (1A, 2A grades required). STPM grade AAA including Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics, plus a third academic subject. UEC grades of AAAA at Senior Sijil Selandia Level (to include Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics excluding Chinese, Bahasa Malay and Book Keeping and Commerce).

New Zealand: NCEA Level 3 with at least 80 credits at Level 3 and excellent achieved in Chemistry and Biology. Subjects studied also to include English, Maths and Physics. Excellent expected in the majority of subject areas.

Norway: Minimum overall GPA of 4.5 in Vitrinem–Vidregaene Opplaring with at least 5.0 in Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics, plus a third academic subject. Vitnemal–grunnskolen considered in lieu of GCSEs.

Singapore: O levels are acceptable in lieu of GCSEs. Singapore Cambridge A levels AAA at H2 level, to include Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics, plus a third academic subject. IB considered (refer to IB guidelines). Applications from students following the Integrated Programme will be considered.

South Africa: National Senior Certificate (with Matriculation Endorsement) or Independent Exam Board considered if offering English Language, Maths, Chemistry, Biology and Physics. 77666 excluding Life Orientation required. 7 required in Chemistry and one of either Biology, Maths or Physics.

Sri Lanka: GCSEs (at a minimum of grade B, to include English Language, Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics and Biology) or equivalent, plus A levels at grades AA, to include Chemistry and one of either Biology, Physics or Mathematics, plus a third academic subject. IB considered (refer to IB guidelines).

USA: Excellence demonstrated in high school transcript, GPA minimum of 3.0 required. PLUS either SAT1 Reasoning Test at 1290+ (minimum Math Section 620+, Evidence-Based Reading and Writing 660+) OR ACT composite score at 27 or above PLUS Chemistry and one of either Biology/Maths/Physics and a third academic subject in either three College Board AP exams at 5, 5, 5, or three SATII Subject Test 2100 (700, 700, 700).

Potential applicants who only hold Senior High School Certificates: Diplomas from the following countries are not eligible for direct entry to year one of Liverpool University’s undergraduate programmes. Students may be considered for entry to Liverpool International College. Please see www.kic.org.uk/liverpool/:

- Bahrain; China; Egypt; Jordan; Kazakhstan; Kenya; Kuwait; Lebanon; Libya; Nepal; Nigeria; Oman; Qatar; Saudi Arabia; Taiwan; Thailand; Thailand; Uganda; United Arab Emirates; Vietnam; Zambia.

Other attributes:

Evidence of appropriate experience, aptitude, and communication:
Candidates must demonstrate suitable evidence of:

- health care career awareness/insight and a caring contribution to the community
- a critical, coherent, and informative approach to verbal and written communication
- the values that embody and underpin good healthcare practice.

Please note:

- Applicants must read our Departmental Supplement to the Admissions Policy. Applications made through UCAS in the normal way. An additional on-line form will be completed by certain groups of applicants, for example, applicants not offering a full range of GCSEs must provide year 10/11 school transcripts in order to support their application. Please refer to: www.liverpool.ac.uk/medicine/study-with-us/undergraduate/admissions-information/

- The indicative criteria are the minimum required. Invitation to interview is highly competitive and dependant on minimum academic achievement and UCAT performance. Non-academic attributes will be assessed at interview and offers made to the most competitive applicants. The Medical School reserves the right to vary offer conditions depending on a candidate’s application. Further details at: www.liverpool.ac.uk/medicine/study-with-us/undergraduate/admissions-information/

- If an applicant fails to achieve a place on the A100 programme they may only make one further consecutive application to the programme.

- Applications may be considered from students entering the final year of study in degree programmes. However, please be advised that we do have specific criteria for A100 graduate applicants who are applying with pending or achieved degrees.

- We do not usually consider transfer into the medicine programmes, but we commit to reviewing all new applications on an individual basis.

- Applicants should make sure that their UCAS form is completed as fully as possible with details given of subjects studied and grades obtained throughout their secondary education. Full details of study/qualities in our core subjects should be given and an academic reference must be supplied. Failure to do so will potentially lead to the rejection of the application based on insufficient information.

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