How is Contextual Data used in Clinical Admissions?

Medicine

Medicine applications are processed as outlined in our [Departmental Supplement to the Admissions Policy](#).

The process is in four stages, and for non-graduate applicants, offers are made following an assessment of, medicine admission test performance (UCAT), academic potential and interview. Routinely, while all applications are assessed on an individual basis against our published criteria, applicants who meet the criteria for the university's policy on contextual data for fair access, may be given additional consideration in relation to any of the stages of the process. Thus, each application is reviewed to determine if it is appropriate to accept reduced GCSE, UCAT or interview performance. Applicants who meet the criteria for contextual data and fair access would be expected to offer at least 12 points at GCSE (scoring system as outlined in our Departmental Supplement). However, English Language and Maths GCSEs would need to meet minimum requirements of grade 6. Flexibility on UCAT and interview performance are determined annually when the scores are available from all applicants. For entry in 2023, the School of Medicine intends to make up to 50 reduced contextual offers to the most competitive of the applicants who are deemed eligible for a medicine offer, and who also fall within the Polar 4 Quintile 1 category, or are care-experienced. A reduced offer will be up to 2 grades below the standard University of Liverpool offer.

Please Note: The School of Medicine will apply this form of contextual profiling only to Home students and it will not apply to graduates and mature applicants applying to the programme. Special consideration does not guarantee an interview, offer or reduced offer for the medicine programme. The School of Medicine will continue its commitment to making reduced offers to eligible applicants from the Liverpool Scholars and Realising Opportunities Programmes.

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