

Applying for medical school

Get some information, advice and resources to support your medical school application.



Preparing to apply

Your application to medical school will include a number of stages:

- you need to be aware of the different types of medical school courses [1] available
- it's important to be aware of a range of factors when choosing your medical school [2]
- your UCAS application [3] will include writing a strong personal statement
- you need to be prepared for medical school interviews [4]
- medical schools will expect you to have found out about the role of a doctor and what it's like working in healthcare. They'll also want evidence of your skills. Gaining experience for medical school [5] can include shadowing, volunteering, paid work and other opportunities
- most medical schools expect you to sit admissions tests [6]
- you need to be aware of your options if you haven't got into medical school [7]
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Financial support at medical school

- Find out about financial support while studying medicine at university [8]

Resources

Read our section about Choosing your medical school [2].

There are a number of books and other resources that give general advice on applying to medical school. Some also include information on what to expect when you're there. Here is a selection, but make sure that any information you use is still up to date:

- The Studying Healthcare website [9] which is updated by the Medical Schools Council and has detailed information, tips and resources for those applying for medicine.
- entry requirements information from the Medical Schools Council [10]
- how to become a doctor pages [11] of the British Medical Association (BMA) website
- The Medic Mentor website [12] for information about it's various activities for those considering medical school
- The Medic Portal website [13] for information, blogs, hints and tips about getting into a career as a doctor

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Links

- [1] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-medicine/applying-medical-school/medical-school-courses> [2] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-be-doctor/applying-medical-school/choosing-your-medical-school> [3] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-be-doctor/applying-medical-school/your-ucas-application> [4] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-be-doctor/applying-medical-school/interviews-medical-school> [5] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-be-doctor/applying-medical-school/gaining-experience-medical> [6] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-be-doctor/applying-medical-school/admissions-tests-medical> [7] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-be-doctor/applying-medical-school/if-you-don%E2%80%99t-get-medical> [8] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/career-planning/study-and-training/considering-or-university/financial-support-university/funding-through-nhs/financial-support-medical-and-dental-2> [9] <https://studyinghealthcare.ac.uk/> [10] <https://www.medschools.ac.uk/studying-medicine/making-an-application/entry-requirements-for-2024-start> [11] https://www.bma.org.uk/advice-and-support/studying-medicine?_gl=1*14yew6*_up*MQ..*_ga*MTQ2NTc4NDE4NS4xNzEyOTEwNjY3*_ga_F8G3Q36DDR*MTcxM [12] <http://medicmentor.co.uk/> [13] <http://www.themedicportal.com/>