We’re taking on the health challenges of tomorrow – want to join us?

The Deakin University School of Medicine is Victoria’s first rural and regional medical school and one of Australia’s most innovative. At Deakin, we have created a world-class health precinct and this includes the new Deakin medical and research facility on campus; REACH (Deakin Regional Community Health Hub), a $47 million research facility; Metabolic research unit; research links with CSIRO and University hospital; a new Epworth hospital on campus with advanced Emergency and ICU facilities; and all our strategic research centres.

As well as teaching, the School is engaged in high-level research which is centred around four main pillars: infection, immunity and cancer; metabolic and musculoskeletal medicine; neuroscience; and rural and regional health.

Your medical training at Deakin will prepare you to serve people in your own country, in rural communities or developing countries. Your personal international study experience will give you a global perspective that allows you to adapt easily to a local context. Deakin University Medical School invites you to become part of an extraordinary fellowship of healthcare professionals and researchers.

Professor Jon Watson, Head of School
Deakin University’s School of Medicine trains work-ready graduates who are skilled and motivated to improve the health and well-being of the communities they serve. The curriculum is designed around problem and team-based learning, and delivering excellence across clinical, commercial and professional domains in patient-centred care.

**Deakin University, Australia**

Deakin is known for being accessible, student-centred, progressive, collegial and friendly. Deakin is in the top 3% of the world’s universities in each of the three major international rankings – Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU), Times Higher Education and QS World University Rankings. It also has a long-standing record for its use of cutting-edge information technology while providing highly personalised experiences on a lively campus in a beautiful natural setting.

**Innovative curriculum**

As a student in Deakin’s Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery program, you will attend lectures, learn in small-group settings as well as get hands-on learning with clinical placements in the first months of your degree. With a small cohort of only 140 students each year, you will get to develop close relationships with faculty members, physicians, tutors and your fellow students. In addition, you will enjoy state-of-the-art facilities and an extensive IT infrastructure in a supportive and friendly community.

The medical curriculum revolves around four themes that are integrated across the four years of your degree:

- Knowledge of health and illness - the biological and behavioural sciences underpinning the practice of medicine;
- Doctor and patient - the clinical skills required to practice medicine;
- Public health medicine - a broad theme which includes biostatistics and epidemiology, population and public health, health systems and the effect of culture on health, particularly Indigenous health;
- Ethics, law and professional development - the ethical, professional and legal basis of medical practice.

**High quality clinical practice**

Students will experience a wide range of clinical placements in their first two years of their degree. Years 3 and 4 are entirely taught at our off-campus clinical teaching sites.

In Medicine, students are introduced to rural and regional medical practice which includes an inter-professional learning placement at a rural location. Approximately one third of students will be placed in a Deakin Rural Clinical School in Years 3 and 4 of their degree; over half will be placed in large urban hospitals in Geelong and Melbourne; and a select group of students will undertake Year 3 embedded in regional communities supported by our Rural Community Clinical School (RCCS) and local hospitals.

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**I chose Deakin because of the structure of the program, with an emphasis in problem-based learning in pre clinical years, and a rural focus that was close to my heart. The program was all that I had hoped for in a medical education, and so much more.**

**LAURA RHODE**

DEAKIN MEDICAL STUDENT FROM CANADA
Victoria, Australia
Located on the southernmost tip of mainland Australia is the State of Victoria. In its large cities and country towns, Victoria embraces Australian traditions, and also welcomes the world, with people from over 200 countries calling the State home. Cafe-filled laneways, world-class sports and surf beaches, expansive countryside, and native forests make Victoria a vibrant place to live and study.

Where will I study?
The Deakin Medical School is located in Geelong, which is where students will spend the first two years of study. Attached to Deakin Medical School are four clinical schools which are located in Geelong, Warrnambool, Ballarat and Melbourne. These clinical schools are where students will spend their clinical study years.

Geelong
Just an hour from Melbourne, Geelong is a vibrant city that offers the perfect lifestyle balance between the city and the coast. Geelong has the shopping, dining and nightlife one expects of a dynamic city, and it is the gateway to some of the world’s best surf beaches, lakes and national parks. You might become a fan of Australian rules football by attending the games of the Geelong Cats professional football club.

Melbourne
Melbourne is the multicultural heart of Australia – an international city that is home to people from all around the world. It is a city built for exploring: Coffee shops and galleries, music and amazing food can be found down every lane and alley in the city centre. Melbourne is a safe, smart and sociable city – a place that continues to earn its title as the most liveable city in the world (Economist Intelligence Unit, 2011–2014).

Ballarat
Known for its goldfields and rich heritage, Ballarat is a large rural town located just over an hour’s drive from Melbourne. Grand buildings, fountains and tourist attractions celebrate the city’s history but also the growing population and cultural scene make it an ideal place for students. While Deakin does not have a campus in Ballarat, medical students may spend their clinical study years here.

Warrnambool
Set along one of Australia’s most scenic coastlines, Warrnambool is the place to be for exploring the country’s famously unique plant and animal habitats and great surf beach along the renowned Great Ocean Road. The town offers a relaxed coastal lifestyle and a thriving cultural scene hosted by a great regional gallery and arts centre.
BACHELOR OF MEDICINE
BACHELOR OF SURGERY

As a Deakin medical student, you will gain a comprehensive understanding of the practice of medicine, with an emphasis on the early development of clinical, communication and procedural skills; diagnosis and management of chronic diseases; professionalism and work-readiness; and multidisciplinary teamwork.

Accreditation
Deakin’s Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery is accredited by the Australian Medical Council. Graduates who satisfactorily complete an accredited intern year following successful completion of this course will qualify as registered medical practitioners in Australia and New Zealand.

What you’ll learn
The first two years of the course work focuses on problem-based learning in small, collaborative groups. There is a strong emphasis on information technology, which has become an essential part of clinical practice, and on early clinical experience, including simulation-based teaching. This experience introduces students to working in multidisciplinary teams and helps develop an understanding of the expertise and role of different health professionals.

Below you can find a breakdown of the subject areas you will study throughout the program as well as more details about each year of study.

Course structure
Years 1 and 2
- Based at Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus
- Integrated systems blocks
- Small group Problem-Based Learning (PBL)
- PBL supplemented by lectures, practical classes and clinical experience in clinical skills laboratories, hospitals and other health services in the Geelong region
- Early communication and clinical skills
- Approx. 20 contact hours per week
- Approx. 20 hours Self-study

Years 3 and 4
- Students distributed among four clinical schools for intensive clinical training
- Placements in hospitals, health services and ambulatory settings and general practices
- First half of Year 4, students move through rotations in Emergency Medicine; Aged Care, Rehabilitation and Palliative Care; General Practice; and Critical Care (Intensive care and Anaesthetics).
- Common medical conditions form the core of the curriculum for each rotation
- Patient-centred authentic learning model
- Inter-school online teaching and learning
Upon completion
To date, all Canadian students have received internships in Australia or Canada. Canadian students either undertake this training as an Australian intern or return to Canada and train in a Canadian Residency program. Information about the program in Canada can be found at: www.carms.ca/en/.

Transfer of my degree to Canada
Before you can be considered for licensure by one of the Canadian regulatory bodies to practice medicine in Canada, your basic medical knowledge will be evaluated as follows:

- You must pass the Medical Council of Canada’s Evaluating Examination (MCCEE):
  - 180 MCQ online exam
  - Content aligns closely with Deakin BMBS learning
  - Exam is held in three centres in Australia
- Exam covers new medical graduates’ basic medical knowledge in child health, maternal health, adult health, mental health and population health and ethics (no Canadian content)
- Assessed as Pass/Fail. A report of quintile rank by discipline provided to CaRMS
APPLICATION PROCESS

Eligibility Requirements

Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery
A completed undergraduate degree from an Australian Higher Education institution or a recognised bachelor degree:

• GPA minimum of 5 out of 7

AND

• MCAT Score of 8/8/8 under the old scoring system or 126 under the new scoring system

• IELTS score of 7.0 or over in writing and 7.0 or over in speaking (Canadian English taught degrees exempt)

• Successful interview

OR

• Graduate Australian Medical Schools Admissions Test (GAMSAT) overall score of 50 (minimum 50 in each of the three sections)

• IELTS score of 7.0 in each section and 7 overall (Canadian English taught degrees exempt)

• Successful interview.

How To Apply

Deakin representative in Canada
Current residents of Canada can apply directly through Deakin University’s representative in Canada.

The representative will accept and process your application and provide advice and logistical support for the interview process, visa assistance and housing and more. This is a free service for Canadian students applying to study at Deakin University.

For more information go to deakin.edu.au/canada.

Direct to Deakin
Alternatively, you are welcome to submit your application direct to Deakin University. Detailed information is available at:

• Deakin School of Medicine: deakin.edu.au/medicine

• International students applications: deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/international-students/apply.

Important Dates: North American Priority Entry (NAPE)

Deakin provides a priority entry opportunity specifically for Canadian students.

Important Dates

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Interviews

Interviews take place in March and October/November. Faculty members from the Deakin School of Medicine hold the interviews in person in Canada. If you are invited for an interview, you will be contacted either by our local representative or by the Deakin Medical School to arrange a time and location.

Accommodation for International Medical Students (AIMS)

For students accepted and enrolled in the Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery degree, Deakin University will provide six months on-campus accommodation free of charge. This initiative is provided to support medical students from Canada in their relocation to Australia.

Second Application Opportunity

If you miss the NAPE application and interview entry, you can apply in the general international student application round. Interviews and offers are conducted in July. If any medical places are still available, interviews and offers may also be conducted in October.
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