

Doctor of Medicine (International students)

Program code

5099

Available at

Gold Coast Campus, Z~Sunshine Coast Health Institute - Domestic students only

Duration

4 years full-time

Credit points

320

Indicative fee

\$77,500.00* per year (more)

* 2024 indicative annual fee

Admission requirements

Any Bachelor degree or other key degree (5.0 GPA) and GAMSAT (minimum score of 50 in each section) or MCAT (123 in each section)

(more)

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Commencing in

Trimester 1
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About this program

This degree will help you take your first step on the road to becoming a doctor. Through a combination of Team-based learning, small group practical and clinical skills sessions, plus extensive clinical placements and considerable online resources, you will develop the skills, knowledge and attributes necessary to succeed as an intern. As a graduate, you will be caring and competent and have a fundamental understanding of the science of medicine.

You will develop communication skills and learn about the art and science of medicine in its wider social and ethical context. You will take part in extensive clinical placements in healthcare facilities ranging from rural settings through to the Gold Coast University Hospital. You will also develop an understanding of the importance of lifelong learning and learn how to be resourceful in seeking information and adapting to new technologies.

The Doctor of Medicine is an AQF Level 9 Masters Extended degree.

MD/PhD pathway

This pathway will allow a small number of MD students (5 to 10 students) to complete the first two years of the program before commencing two years of full time PhD work in clinical research related to a range of fields such as neuropsychiatry, pathology, neurology, primary health care, health economics, cardiology, indigenous health, medical education and medical ethics. The program will incorporate clinical/bedside teaching plus reintegration to the MD component while they are doing the PhD research project. Candidates would then recommence the normal MD program to complete Medicine 3 and Medicine 4 of the MD whilst completing the PhD part-time. Students will be eligible for PhD scholarships.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Doctor of Medicine (MD) program is offered full-time, on-campus at the Gold Coast campus during Phase 1, and in community and clinical placements in a variety of locations during Phases 2 and 3.

As a full-time student, you will need to be available to attend between 0700 and 1800 on Monday to Friday (Years 1 and 2) and during the clinical years (Years 3 and 4). Your attendance may be required after hours and on weekends and including public holidays.

In this program, you must maintain a full-time study load. You will be required to comply with the Doctor of Medicine Attendance policy (contact the School of Medicine and Dentistry for details).

This program starts in January and ends in December (requiring attendance between 40-43 weeks in the year).

The School of Medicine and Dentistry delivers electronic assessment via ExamSoft's Examplify application. Students enrolled in this program are required to have access to a portable computer device (laptop or tablet) that can be taken on campus to

complete examination and assessment activities. This device must meet the minimum system requirements for Examplify.

The School has a small number of loan devices that may be available to students who do not have access to a personal device. Students must apply for access to loan devices in the lead up to an examination or assessment. Please note the School cannot guarantee a loan device will be available for every applicant.

MD/PhD pathway

The MD is offered full time, on-campus at Gold Coast campus and the PhD component is offered full-time for the first two years of study and part-time during the completion of years 3 and 4 of the MD.

Students complete the first two years of the MD program then take Leave of Absence from the MD program for two years and enrol as a full time PhD student in a field of clinical research for the next two years (Years 3 and 4 of the concurrent offering). Students then complete the final two years of the MD during Years 5 and 6, while also enrolling part time in the PhD.

Readmission: A student who has discontinued enrolment in the MD program and who is not on an approved leave of absence is required to seek approval for readmission to the program from the Dean of Medicine or nominee.

If you are an International student on a student visa, you must ensure that you enrol in a way that will allow you to complete your enrolment within the expected program duration as stated on your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

Managing Study Interruptions

Leave of Absence

Taking a leave of absence from this program is permitted, subject to conditions outlined in the Enrolment Procedure and receiving approval from the Program Director or their nominee.

Work-integrated learning

Work-integrated learning activities (professional placements) integrate theoretical learning with its application in the workplace. The inclusion of work-integrated learning activities in the degree program demonstrates Griffith's commitment to preparing its graduates for success in their working life.

In this program you will spend time in the work/professional environment undertaking unpaid placements at various locations. This will increase from an average of one to 20 hours per week, over a maximum of 42 weeks in Years 1 and 2; to an average of 30 hours per week over a maximum of 43 weeks per year, in Years 3 and 4 (2844 hours). Placements may be at a community organisation, general practice or hospital each week of your degree and may be outside of the Brisbane metropolitan/Gold Coast area including northern New South Wales and (by negotiation) interstate or overseas.

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Additional work-integrated learning opportunities are available through the clinical research facilities for students undertaking the PhD component.

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You will be prepared for multiple careers, including in specialist clinical practice, primary care medicine, rural medical practice, medical administration, medical research and medical education.

Graduates of this program will normally be eligible for limited registration and will receive full registration by Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA) upon successful completion of a subsequent one-year internship in the Australian hospital system.

Note: Any offer of a place in the medical program is made on the understanding that Griffith University in no way guarantees any period of internship in an Australian hospital. As a result, our International students may have to complete their internships in their home country. Internship places are not allocated by the University.

Program accreditation

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The graduate entry medical program at Griffith University is accredited by the Australian Medical Council.

Professional recognition

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The Medical Board of Australia will recognise graduates of this award from the end of 2014.

Placement requirements

Professional Practice requirements

There are placements associated with this program and before undertaking professional experience placements, all students in this program are required to have completed the following by the end of their first trimester of study:

- Vaccinations and Health Tests
- Licenses and Certificates
- Online Training
- Health Placement Requirements

Students should refer to the **checklist of professional practice requirements for their Health discipline** on the **Health Placement Support Hub** for full details of the requirements regarding professional placement to ensure that they meet eligibility for placement.

What are the fees?

International students

An International student is one who is not:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- a Pacific Engagement visa holder or
- a person who has Australian permanent resident status.

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points (two full-time trimesters).

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- An International student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Doctor of Medicine (5099)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Changing programs

If an International student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Permanent resident status

If an **undergraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will be provided with a domestic fee-paying place.

The student may then apply for a Commonwealth supported place at the next admission period provided that the student satisfies the conditions for transfer from a domestic fee-paying place to a Commonwealth supported place as set out in the Undergraduate Programs Admission Policy.

If a **postgraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth supported place (subject to availability) or a domestic feepaying place as applicable for the program.

If a **research student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Fee Offset or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

Further information

- Fees and Charges Procedure

 - 3.6 Fees for International Students
 3.9 Administrative and Miscellaneous Charges
 - Fees and Charges Schedules
- Cost of studying in Australia