

Good to know that you are interested in pursuing medicine in Australia. MBBS is one course which requires you to be patient with time. The intent is not to scare you from taking this course but to inform you about the challenges associated with choosing this line of study. By the time you complete your MBBS, it is possible that your non MBBS friends might already be working in various multinational firms. If this thought doesn't deter you, then you are meant to be in this profession.

The Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, referred to as MBBS in India and several other countries across the world, is an integrated four and a half years study programme followed by one year of compulsory rotating residential internship that students have to undergo to become a doctor.

In response to your query, Australia has the third highest international student enrollment after US and UK. It is a vibrant, dynamic and friendly country with a modern, democratic and technologically advanced society. It exposes international students to multi-cultural environment, offers low cost of living, great weather, part-time work options and promising future prospects. Australian universities like the Flinders University-Adelaide, the University of Notre Dame, the University of Sydney, the University of Queensland and the Monash University offer shorter hospital hours, more group work and interactive learning sessions during their study.

Admission Criteria in Australian Universities for MBBS :

Most undergraduate medical courses in Australia require applicants to take an aptitude test, either the UMAT or ISAT (or PQA as in the case of the University of Adelaide). These do not test a candidate's knowledge of science, but rather his or her logical reasoning ability.

Australian medical schools usually have a single intake of students in February/March. Application for the following year's intake opens quite early in the year. It is a crucial part of the application process to be aware of the application closing dates for the various universities in order not to miss out. While the application window is open for months, it is advisable to apply as early as possible. Most Australian medical schools require applicants to take one of the following aptitude tests.

UMAT (for undergraduate entry):

This is a 2 hour and 45 minute multiple-choice test which takes place once a year, usually around July, with results being released in September. It has three sections, namely Logical Reasoning and Problem Solving, Understanding People, and Non-verbal Reasoning. There are numerous preparation courses out there that purport to help a candidate increase his or her scores. Some candidates have found them useful. For more information, visit: <http://umat.acer.edu.au/about-umat/>.

ISAT (for undergraduate entry):

This is a 3 hour computer-based multiple choice test with 2 parts and 100 questions in total. Each question has 4-5 options from which the candidate is asked to choose the most suitable response. Rather than test a candidate's subject specific knowledge, it aims to test one's critical and quantitative reasoning skills. For more information, visit: <http://isat.acer.edu.au/>.

You would need to score above 39 in your IB if you are planning for Medical program in Monash University, University of New South Wales and Melbourne.

Note: Medicine is going to be an expensive degree, so if you are really with the funds you can look at Australia as your destination. Alternatively, we would recommend that you study in India and then think about your PG abroad

Further you can look in to the following link for the list of Universities in Australia:

<https://www.univariety.com/app/search?q=Top%20Medical%20colleges%20in%20Australia&c=TOP%20KEYWORDS>