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Qualifications

- Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) = postgraduate qualification
- Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM) = postgraduate qualification

Requirement

- Need to complete bachelor degree first
Length of Study – Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD)

- Doctor of Dental Medicine = 4 years
- 3 year bachelor degree + 4 year postgraduate degree = 7 years
- Can practice on graduation as a dentist

Length of Study – Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM)

- Doctor of Podiatric Medicine = 3 years
- 3 year bachelor degree + 3 year postgraduate degree = 6 years
- Can practice on graduation as a podiatrist

Benefits of Graduate Entry

- Opportunity to pursue other interests during undergraduate degree e.g. music, languages, management, psychology,
- Exchange to one of our partner universities, e.g. Europe, North America or other parts of Asia
- Can experience university life
- Made mature, independent decision
- Develop communication skills, breadth and depth of knowledge
- Have competitive edge in the workforce (two degrees)
- Research component built into these degrees; keep up ongoing knowledge for new drugs, treatments, help progress career
Entry Levels

- School Leaver entry (DMD only)
- Graduate entry (DMD and DPM)

DMD School Leaver Pathways - Domestic

- Assured Pathway (High Academic Achievement)
- choose dentistry Broadway Pathway
- choose dentistry Rural Pathway
- Indigenous Pathway
DMD Graduate Pathways – Domestic

- choose dentistry Broadway Pathway
- choose dentistry Rural Pathway
- Indigenous Pathway
- Standard Pathway (not Indigenous, Broadway or Rural)

DPM Graduate Pathways – Domestic

- Indigenous Pathway
- Standard Pathway
Indigenous Pathways

- Apply through one of School Leaver Pathways (DMD only)
- Apply through one of Graduate Pathways
- Apply through CAMDH (Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health)

choose dentistry Broadway Pathway Eligibility

- Completed Year 12 at one of the schools involved in the UWA Broadway scheme
- See our website for list of schools (also handout from this evening)
choose dentistry Rural Pathway Eligibility

- An applicant is eligible for consideration as a rural applicant
- principal home address has been in an Australian Standard Geographical Classification - Remoteness Area (ASGC-RA 2-5)
- for a minimum period of five years (consecutive or cumulative) from commencement of primary school.

International Applicants

- Assured Pathway (International School Leavers) – DMD only
- International Graduate Pathway
DMD School Leaver Pathways

- Apply in Year 12
- Cannot apply if commenced any tertiary studies (including TAFE)
- Can apply for medicine and dentistry school leaver pathways on TISC
- If offered school leaver place in MD cannot transfer into DMD and vice versa – complete UG and then apply as graduate

Qualify for more than one pathway?

Domestic applicants who qualify for more than one pathway can choose to apply for any or all they are eligible to apply for.
Assured Place

Apply in Year 12 for:

- A guaranteed place in the DMD on completion of one of UWA bachelor degrees with a minimum GPA of 5.5 (approx. 65%)
- With this guaranteed place you have to complete your bachelor degree at UWA
- Not tied to this place if decide don’t want to proceed to DMD
- If you are on one of the pathways you do not need to sit GAMSAT or attend another interview
- If you don’t achieve the minimum 5.5 GPA you will lose pathway place

Admission Requirements
Pre-requisites?

- UWA English language proficiency requirement
- Check what pre-requisites are for undergraduate degree wish to do

Recommended Subjects

- Year 12 physics
- Year 1 biology/human biology
- Year 1 chemistry (and year 12 chemistry)
- Can take these as units in BSc or as broadening units in other degrees

Assured Pathway (High Academic Achievement)

- Minimum ATAR of 99
- Suitable UMAT
- Structured Interview
- Manual Dexterity & Spatial Awareness Admissions Tests
- Number of places – approximately 10
Choose Dentistry Broadway Pathway

- Broadway eligibility
- Minimum ATAR of 96
- Suitable UMAT
- Structured Interview
- Manual Dexterity & Spatial Awareness Admissions Tests
- Number of places = approximately 3

Choose Dentistry Rural Pathway

- Rural eligibility
- Minimum ATAR of 96
- Suitable UMAT
- Structured Interview
- Manual Dexterity & Spatial Awareness Admissions Tests
- Number of places – approximately 3
Assured Pathway (International School Leavers)

- Minimum ATAR of 96 or equivalent
- Suitable ISAT score
- Structured Interview
- Manual Dexterity & Spatial Awareness Admissions Tests
- Number of places – approximately 3

School Leaver Pathways Admission Tests
UMAT – Domestic School Leavers Only

- UMAT used to determine interview short list (with predicted academic requirement)
- Cut off score is not released (changes on yearly basis)

UMAT (Domestic School Leavers)

- UWA does not consider percentiles
- Sum of the three section scores is used
- All three sections of the test are weighted equally
- Section one percentile score of at least 20
UMAT Preparation

- UWA is a member of the UMAT consortium
- The UMAT Consortium does **NOT** endorse any UMAT preparation course
- If held on UWA campus still **NOT** endorsed (such as Medentry)
- Up to individual want to pay and attend
- Best practice is practice questions provided on UMAT website and UMAT practice books

The Test – Identification on the Day

Only the documents listed below are acceptable:

- Current passport
- Current driver’s licence or learner’s permit (photo-bearing)
- Current (photo-bearing) Keypass, Proof of Age Card or 18+ Card

**NOTE:** Certified letters of identification issued by school, employer or other educational institution are no longer accepted. If you do not possess a current passport, driver’s licence or learner’s permit it is strongly recommended you apply for a Keypass or Proof of Age Card as soon as possible after you complete your registration.
ISAT (International School Leavers)

- ISAT used to determine interview short list (with predicted academic requirement)
- Overall ISAT score used
- Must achieve 25th percentile in each section
- ISAT cut off score is not released (changes on yearly basis)

ISAT Preparation

- Read widely and think critically about what have read
- Practice questions on ISAT website
- Read test taking strategies on ISAT website
Interviews

- Start of your health professional career (should be taken seriously)
- Domestic applicants notified by email after last WACE exam
- Can only attend time period offered an interview
- Face to face (no phone, video conferencing or Skype facilities)
- If offered an interview YOUR responsibility to book an interview slot by the given deadline (check emails)
Interviews

- If applied for medicine and dentistry might only be offered an interview for one course (different UMAT cut offs)
- Have to decide if really want to do the course before accepting interview

Interview Dates - Domestic

- December 3-17* = predicted minimum ATAR and met UMAT cut off
- Not all dates used within this time period
- If offered a December interview and cannot attend, not guaranteed a January interview
- January interviews = not predicted but achieved at least minimum ATAR and met UMAT cut off

January Interviews

- Do not harm an applicant’s chance of an offer
- Do not make all offers in the main offer round

*very limited dates within this for DMD students so make sure you are available for whole period
Interviews Dates – International School Leavers

- Held in Singapore and Hong Kong end of July
- Held in Perth August/September
- Face to face (no phone, video conferencing or Skype)

Interviews

Information provided once selected interview date and time

- general interview preparation
- current year question topics
- appropriate dress attire
Interview Topics

Same every year:

- Explaining Skills
- Motivation/Commitment to a career in dentistry
- Communication Skills

4 from below will be used (different 4 each year)

- Awareness of social diversity
- Values and ethics
- Provision of assistance
- Self-awareness
- Trust and trustworthiness
- Working with others

Rankings – Domestic School Leavers

Rural Pathway

ATAR: Interview: UMAT: Rurality = 30:30:15:25

Other Pathways

ATAR: Interview: UMAT = 40:40:20

*If don’t achieve minimum ATAR not included in the rankings*

Rankings – International School Leavers

Academic: Interview: ISAT = 40:40:20
Application Process

Domestic School Leaver Application Process

- Register for UMAT by 6 June
- Sit UMAT on 30 July
- Apply through TISC by September 30
- No late applications and an application without UMAT not considered
- Predicted ATAR form returned by November 3
- Use OWN contact details – mobile and email address and NOT parents’
- Do not use school email address
Predicted ATAR Forms

- Information given at UMAT
- Form emailed to applicants mid October
- Applicant’s responsibility to download form and give to school
- School to provide form by 3rd November – check with school it has been submitted

International School Leaver Application Process

- Sit ISAT by June 30
- Apply through International Centre by June 30
- Provide predicted ATAR or equivalent with application
Undergraduate Studies at UWA

New Courses

Our new course structure ensures you have the time and flexibility to choose your career path and you gain the skills and knowledge to succeed in an international workplace.

The model of broad undergraduate studies followed by a postgraduate professional qualification is designed to produce well-rounded graduates, as well as provide multiple entry opportunities for a wide range of students.
Undergraduate Degree

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Commerce
- Bachelor of Design
- Bachelor of Science
- Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours)

Wide range of majors offered

A major is an area of specialisation within your degree; the area that you have chosen to focus on for the bulk of your undergraduate studies.

Under UWA's undergraduate degree structure you complete at least one major, as well as a number of units designed to broaden your educational experience.

Majors

- Can take one degree specific major
- Can take two majors (one degree specific major and either a second degree specific major or a major from another degree)
- Biomedical Sciences is a double major so can’t take with another major

Majors offered by FMDHS

- Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing
- Biomedical Sciences (jointly with Faculty of Science)
- Microbiology and Immunology
- Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
- Pharmacology
- Population Health
What to Study?

- An area going to enjoy
- An area of interest – does not have to be science e.g music, language, management, accounting
- Use as Plan B

Overview

- **Broad education, in-depth knowledge**
  Our undergraduate courses have a simple but flexible structure that allows you to study a broad range of subjects in your first year, and develop greater focus as you move through your degree.

- **More choices, better choices**
  You do not have to decide your career path before you start university. You have the freedom to sample a wide range of subjects, particularly in first year, that help you to decide which subjects and careers interest you most.

- **Professional degrees at a postgraduate level**
  By offering professional degrees at a postgraduate level, UWA is in line with leading universities across the world. The benefits for you include: greater career opportunities within a global workplace, improved links with industry and professional practice, a stronger foundation and knowledge-base from your undergraduate degree, and an advanced learning environment at postgraduate level.
Graduate Entry

Entry Requirements - DMD

- Australian undergraduate degree or equivalent – any discipline, not necessarily from UWA
- Competitive GPA
- Admissions Test - GAMSAT (or MCAT for international graduates)
- Structured Interview
- Manual Dexterity & Spatial Awareness Admissions Tests

Number of Graduate Places – DMD

- Approximately 45 places – Domestic (after Assured Pathway entry)
- Up to 6 places – International
Entry Requirements – DPM

- Australian undergraduate degree or equivalent – any discipline, not necessarily from UWA
- Competitive GPA
- Admissions Test - GAMSAT (or MCAT for international graduates)

Number of Graduate Places – DPM

- 35 places
- Includes up to 2 places for Indigenous students
- Includes up to 5 places for international students

Academic Requirements
Pre-requisites and Recommended Subjects

Pre-requisites

- UWA English language proficiency requirement

Recommended Subjects

- Year 12 physics
- Year 1 biology/human biology
- Year 1 chemistry (and year 12 chemistry)

You can take these as units in BSc or as broadening units in other degrees

Academic Requirements

- Minimum GPA of 5.5 (out of 7) – DMD
- Minimum GPA of 5.0 (out of 7) – DPM
- Will NOT accept anything below 5.5 for DMD and 5.0 for DPM
- Higher GPA more competitive
- If not sure about your GPA submit application (free for domestic students) and Faculty can calculate GPA
GPA Calculation

- Most recent 3 years EFTSL including certain postgraduate study but does not include semester 2, 2014 studies or 2014 honours years results*
- Each year is equally weighted
- All applicants (domestic and international) will have their GPA calculated by the Faculty at time of application.
- Different to the GPA on StudentConnect (UWA). It is based on the GEMSAS GPA instructions (www.gemsas.edu.au)
- NB: If more than a third of your course is pass/fail please contact the Faculty for advice.

*but offers will be conditional upon these results

GPA- What to Note about UWA

Your GPA for UWA will be calculated to include:

- Additional study – including bachelor, honours (if already completed or if will be complete by end of semester one, 2014), graduate certificate, graduate diploma and masters by coursework level of study where undertaken in the valid period of study.
- A small bonus for completed Masters by Research (0.2)
- Deemed GPA of 7.0 for successfully completed PhDs
- Semester one, 2014 results will be included in the GPA – so you must send semester one results as soon as they are available (unless you are studying at UWA).
Admissions Tests

GAMSAT – Domestic and International Applicants

Three sections:
- **Section one** – Humanities and Social Sciences (multiple choice)
- **Section two** – Written Communication (essays)
- **Section three** – Biological and Physical Sciences (multiple choice) – double-weighted

www.gamsat.acer.edu.au

GAMSAT Thresholds

- Minimum Overall (and sectional) thresholds are likely to be at least 50. Determined annually.
- Applicants with one sectional score marginally below 50 should contact the Faculty for further advice regarding eligibility.
MCAT – International Applicants Only

- Medical College Admission Test
- International applicants only (domestic applicants can not apply with a MCAT score).
- Must have results by 1 June 2014.

Three sections:
- Verbal Reasoning, Physical Sciences, and Biological Sciences.

MCAT Thresholds

- Applicants will require minimum MCAT scores of 8/8/8
- Applicants with one section score marginally below this should contact the Faculty for eligibility advice

Application Process
Application Process – Domestic Graduate Entry DMD/DPM

- Apply online by:
  - 31st May (DMD)
  - 30th September (DPM)

- How to apply on website

- Require GAMSAT ID number(s) at time of application

- Faculty verifies GAMSAT score

Application Process – International Graduate Entry

- Apply through International Centre by
  - 1st June (DMD)
  - 30th September (DPM)

- Use International Centre application form and Faculty supplementary application form

- Applications on International Centre and Faculty websites

- Require GAMSAT/MCAT results at time of application

- Faculty verifies results
Interviews (DMD only)

Notification

- Advised by email
- Domestic applicants can choose time within dates set
- Date and time given to International applicants
- Attend in person (no phone, video conferencing or Skype facilities)
Interviews

Information provided once selected interview date and time

- general interview preparation
- current year question topics
- appropriate dress attire

Interview Topics

Same every year:

- Graduate Presentation Exercise
- Motivation/Commitment to a career in medicine
- Communication Skills

4 from below will be used (different 4 each year)

- Awareness of social diversity
- Values and ethics
- Provision of assistance
- Self-awareness
- Trust and trustworthiness
- Working with others
Interview Dates – Domestic Graduate Applicants

- 27 September – 5 October (Not all dates used. Additional dates may be added).
- If applying for both DMD and MD, interview at same time
- Interview is all day and part of this is at the Dental School

Interview Dates – International Graduate Applicants

- Singapore and Hong Kong – late July
- Perth – August/September

Manual Dexterity and Spatial Awareness Admission Tests (DMD only)
Manual Dexterity Admission Test

- Not used in final ranking
- Tests manual co-ordination
- Results used for research purposes and not form part of selection process
- Takes place at time of interview

Spatial Awareness Admission Test

- 35 minute paper and pencil test
- Assesses ability to imagine how objects look from different points of view
- Multiple choice test
- Pass/fail
- Not used in final ranking – but need to pass to be on ranked list
- Takes place at time of interview
Rankings

Rankings - DMD
- GAMSAT, GPA and Interview (equally weighted)
- GAMSAT, GPA, Interview and Rurality (equally weighted)

Rankings – DPM
- GAMSAT and GPA (equally weighted)
Graduate Offers

- DMD offers start being made middle of October
- DPM offers from end of October
- Made online through OaSyS

Deferrals

- Domestic School leavers can defer place between school and undergraduate degree for one year
- School leavers can defer commencement of DMD for one year on completion of UG degree
- Graduates will not normally be able to defer their place
- International applicants will not normally be able to defer their place
Where to get Information?

- Website
- Brochures
- Email

Contact Details

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www.meddent.uwa.edu.au/admissions
Questions?

Thank you for attending tonight