Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Doctor of Medicine (Graduate Entry)
Alternative Entry Pathways Scheme
Application Form 2016

This pathway is for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander graduates who may not meet the current standard entry requirements but would like the option to apply through the Alternative Entry Pathway to study medicine.

Eligibility Requirements
The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Alternative Entry Scheme for the MD (Graduate) Program is available to people who:

- Identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person. In addition, applicants must be able to submit before the application closing date a personal “Confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander Status”, recognised within your own incorporated community organisation and be signed by the appropriate signatory under their Common Seal. Unfortunately we do not accept Statutory Declaration’s as proof of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander status;
- Have successfully completed a Bachelor level degree from an accredited institution or be currently studying in the final year of their first bachelor level program;
- Have completed all sections of the application form, SIGNED and DATED the declaration and submitted all required documentation as per the checklist (see below) by the closing date;
- Whilst it is not mandatory, applicants are encouraged to sit the Graduate Medical School Admission Test (GAMSAT) and provide a score as part of the entry process. This is highly recommended for those applicants who do not have prior studies in the science field and for those who have not worked in a science/health related field for a significant number of years.

Application Process
Applicants are encouraged to contact the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (ATSIS) Unit to express their interest in applying via the Alternative Entry Pathways Scheme. Applicants must complete the application form and provide all required documentation by the closing date.

Application Closing Date: Thursday, 31 July 2015

GEMSAS
If you wish to be considered for a place in medicine at a range of institutions, you are free to apply separately through the Graduate Entry Medical Admissions System (GEMSAS) before their closing date of 31 May, 2015. If you choose to submit a GEMSAS application, it is important that you include UQ as a preference.

Selection process
After the closing date of applications, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (ATSIS) Unit will convene a selection committee for shortlisting eligible applicants. The shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend an interview in September or October, 2015 to discuss their application.

Outcome
Students will be advised in writing of the outcome of their application, as soon as possible after interviews have been conducted and finalised in September or October, 2015. If accepted for the Doctor of Medicine (Graduate entry) pathway, applicants will commence studies in the January 2016 intake.

Applicants who are graduating from an undergraduate level degree at the end of the 2015 academic year will only be eligible for a conditional offer. Conditional offers will require applicants to complete the final assessments for their current program by 31 December 2015. Applicants will then be required to show proof of eligibility for graduation before having their place in UQ’s medicine program confirmed.
Deferment
Deferment options are tightly restricted. If you are considering deferment at the point of application, we recommend that you consider applying for a future intake instead.

Unsuccessful applicants
If not accepted for the program, applicants may re-apply in a later year, after further self-development or experience is gained.

Submission requirements
Attach ALL requested documentary evidence and return the signed application form with ALL requested documentary evidence to:

Mail: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit, Level 2, UQ Bookshop Building (#4), The University of Queensland ST LUCIA QLD 4072

Email: Scan and email your application to atisistudy@uq.edu.au

Please note, the preferred method of submission is a signed, scanned version by email.

Or in person: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit, Level 2, UQ Bookshop Building (#4), The University of Queensland ST LUCIA QLD 4072 http://www.uq.edu.au/maps/

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: Friday, 31 July 2015
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Alternative Entry Scheme
2016 Doctor of Medicine (MD) – Graduate Entry Program

Section A – Your details

1. Do you identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person?  
   (If you tick ‘Yes’, you are required to provide documentary evidence of your Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status)
   - Yes
   - No
   
   If ‘No’, please do not proceed any further. This form doesn’t apply to your situation. Please contact UQ Admissions through admissions@uq.edu.au for information regarding your application options.

2. Title:  
   Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss
   
   First Name:  
   Family Name:  
   DOB:  

3. Home Address:
   
   Number & street:
   Suburb:  
   State:  
   Postcode:  

4. Mailing Address (if different to home address):
   
   Number & street:
   Suburb:  
   State:  
   Postcode:  

5. Home phone:  
   Mobile:  
   Email address:  

6. Have you completed the GAMSAT exam in the last 2 years?
   - Yes
   - No
   If ‘yes’, please attach your GAMSAT results

7. Have you lived in a rural locality for 5 or more years since starting primary school?
   - Yes
   - No
   If ‘yes’, please provide details of the rural addresses that you lived at during the 5 year period.

8. Have you submitted an application through GEMSAS for 2015?
   - Yes
   - No
   If ‘yes’, please provide your GEMSAS application number:

9. Have you completed a bachelor level degree from an accredited institution?
   - Yes
   - No
   - Currently enrolled in final year

10. Have you previously been enrolled in a UQ program?
    - Yes
    - No
11. Please list all prior and current tertiary level studies, completed or otherwise:
(This includes University level studies, TAFE courses, apprenticeships, evening courses, bridging courses, professional development, short courses, and community-based courses. If you have more than 6 courses to list, please attach details)

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12. Please list any academic, leadership or community service awards or achievements that are relevant to your application You will need to provide evidence of anything you include in this section

Section C – Declaration

I declare that the information supplied on this form and in accompanying documents and statements is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that completion of this application does not guarantee an offer of a place at The University of Queensland. I give permission to UQ to obtain information relating to my application from GEMSAS (if applicable). I understand that the University is not responsible for documents submitted with this application and that the documents become the property of the University.

Applicant signature: ______________________________ Date: __________________

Please note: Unsigned applications or those without the following required supporting documentation will not be processed:

Document Checklist (please tick):

☐ Signed MD Program Alternative Entry Application form
☐ Personal Confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of an incorporated community organisation
☐ Personal resume, including the contact details of at least 2 referees
☐ Personal statement outlining reasons for wishing to study Medicine (statement to be no longer than one A4 page in length)
☐ Academic transcripts and/or certificate of completions from previous enrolments in educational courses or programs
☐ If applicable, GAMSAT results

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☐ Reference Letters – Evidence of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Engagement

Supporting evidence of any academic, leadership or community service awards or achievements relevant to your application

Please contact the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit for assistance.
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