Doctor of Medicine
2017-2018 Admission Requirements

Program Details: The curriculum that makes up the MD program of the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry builds on foundation knowledge and skills in stepwise fashion. These provide progressively increasing clinical exposure during Years 1 and 2. They ultimately evolve into a fully immersive clinical-learning setting by the beginning of third year. Following four years in undergraduate medical education, students continue postgraduate training for two to five years.

Quota: 162 Students. Eighty-five per cent of the places in the program are normally reserved for Alberta residents, and 15 per cent are usually available for non-Alberta residents. Applicants must be permanent residents of Canada, either as a Canadian citizen or permanent resident. We regret that we are unable to admit international students.

Minimum Standards: The minimum cumulative GPA requirement for applicants with four or more years of post-secondary transferable course work is 3.3 for Alberta residents and 3.5 for non-Alberta residents. Additional selection factors include personal activities, interview, and reference letters.

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

Admission Requirements:
I. Education:
   The minimum requirement for applicants to our program is the successful completion of at least two (2) full years of transferable post-secondary work (60 units of course weight - 10 full-course equivalents). Of this, 30 units of course weight - five full-course equivalents - must be taken during one academic year. An academic year is September 1 to April 30 inclusive. The purpose behind the requirement of 30 units of course weight in one academic year is to assess whether students will be able to handle the course load when registered in the Medicine program. Courses taken during the spring and summer sessions are not counted in the full-time study requirements nor in the cumulative grade-point average requirement.

II. Other Requirements:
   1. Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT): All applicants must write the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT). Applicants choose their best scores from one exam sitting. The new MCAT2015 Exam includes: Biological and Biochemical Foundations of Living Systems Section, Chemical and Physical Foundations of Biological Systems Section, Psychological, Social, and Biological Foundations of Behaviour Section, and Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills Section.
   2. Personal Interview
   3. Letters of Reference
   4. English Language Requirements: Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the University of Alberta Calendar including Spoken English language proficiency.
   5. Police Information Check (PIC)
   6. Medication Testing and Immunization will be required from all accepted applicants.
Refer to MD Program Website for further information on the admission requirements and selection process.

**Recommended Alberta High School Prerequisites (or equivalent):**
- English Language Arts 30-1
- Biology 30
- Chemistry 30
- Mathematics 30-1
- Physics 30

**Deadlines:**
- Application Deadline: October 1, 2017