Offers

Did you know?

At interview most medical schools will let you know when you will hear the outcome of your application.

Useful stuff

There are two types of offers. A conditional offer is when you have not got your A levels, Highers or other qualifications yet and is so is offered on the condition of you achieving the grades specified. An unconditional offer is usually for applicants who have already achieved their grades.

Medicine will require the satisfactory completion of a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check (formerly known as a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check). This is a UK legal requirement for those in roles which involve regulated activity with children or vulnerable adults. The DBS check will state any criminal convictions you hold and, if appropriate, whether you are barred from working with children or vulnerable adults. The medical school will consider whether these are compatible with registration. If you have any concerns you should speak to the medical school.

What you should do...

UCAS Track will enable you to follow the progress of your application online.

When you have received your offer, you will then need to decide what course to make as your firm choice and what to have as your insurance choice. It may be difficult for you to decide between different offers for medicine, as they may be very similar. However, consider the entire offer, as there may be differences, for example one of the grades may be required in a specific subject.

Ultimately, you should choose where you want to go the most, as you will be studying there for five years.

Key dates

You will receive the decisions from medical schools by the end of March.





Top facts

- You do not need to respond immediately, but you will have a deadline in May to decide on your firm and insurance choice.
- Sometimes a university may offer you a place on a different course if your application to medicine is unsuccessful.

Be aware

On results day if you have exceeded your conditional offer, you can consider Adjustment. You can potentially move course and university. However, the course that you want to move to needs to have a place available. Talk to the course you are interested in first and see if they have any places.

More help & advice

UCAS Track: www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/ucas-undergraduate-apply-and-track

Test yourself

Think about the offers you have received. To help you decide which offers to accept, think about:

- How do the teaching styles compare? Does the way they teach suit the way you learn?
- How do the location and facilities compare? Can you imagine studying there for five or more years?
- What opportunities are on offer at that medical school?

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