



ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ENTRY

APPLICATION FORM

For entry to the Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS)

Form Return Details

Closing Date: 31st July 2024 5.00pm AWST

All pages of this form and accompanying documents are to be returned via email:
cmsfuturestudents@curtin.edu.au

Application Checklist

Have you:

- Completed application parts 1 – 12
- Attached documentation of proof of Aboriginality (part 3)
- Attached certified copies of ATAR/WACE results and transcripts of academic results as required (part 5)
- Attached written reports from each of your three referees named in part 10
- Signed the declaration in part 13
- Attached your resume, including employment or other activities that support your application.

Your application cannot be considered unless all this documentation is received.

Enquiries

If you have any questions about how to apply please contact the Curtin School of Medicine Aboriginal Student Support Officer Cmsaht@curtin.edu.au.

1. PERSONAL AND CONTACT DETAILS

Family Name													
Given Name/s													
Birth Date (dd/mm/yyyy)												Gender	
Telephone number													
Email Address													
Residential Address													
	Suburb							Postcode					
Postal Address (If different to your permanent living address)													
	Suburb							Postcode					
Are you currently, or have you ever been a student at Curtin University? Please place X in the box that applies to you.										Yes		No	
If yes, what is/was your Student ID number?													
Has your name changed since you were last enrolled at Curtin/WAIT? If yes, please provide your new name and evidence of your name change (e.g marriage certificate)													

2. MEDICAL/DISABILITY NEEDS

The information below is used to assist the University in monitoring, supporting and improving services to students with medical/disability requirements. Disclosing this information will not affect your admission to the University.

Do you have a disability, impairment or long-term medical condition which may affect your studies?										Yes		No	
If you answered "Yes" to the above question, please indicate the type/s of disability													
Hearing		Vision		Learning		Medical		Mobility		Other			
Would you like to receive information on medical/disability support services, equipment and facilities available that may assist you?										Yes		No	

3. CONFIRMATION OF ABORIGINALITY AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

It is a requirement that all applicants to the MBBS via the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway provide proof of Aboriginality.

I confirm the following:

I am of Aboriginal decent and/or of Torres Strait Islander decent.

AND

I identify as an Aboriginal and/or I identify as a Torres Strait Islander.

AND

I am accepted as such by the community in which I currently live; or I am accepted as such by the community in which I formerly lived.

Name of Community _____

I have attached proof of Aboriginality documentation.

4. RESIDENTIAL HISTORY

Address (including post code)	Period of Residence mm/yyyy	
	From	To
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		

5. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Please attach a copy of your resume emphasizing relevant work experience, extra-curricular activities or other experience relevant to your application.

Position	Employer	Duties and responsibilities	Full time/part time/casual	Length of appointment

6. EDUCATION HISTORY

Secondary Education

<input type="checkbox"/>	I have completed secondary school	OR			<input type="checkbox"/>	I will complete secondary school in the current academic year
Name of School						
Year of Graduation						
Have you completed WACE?	Yes		No			
Do you have an ATAR?	Yes		No		If yes, what is your ATAR score?	

Attach a certified copy of your ATAR/ WACE Results.

Post-Secondary Education

Please provide details of all formal studies you have completed and those you are currently undertaking.

Name of qualification	Institution/University	Completed (Yes/No)	Start date (month/year)	End date (month/year) or Expected Date of Completion

Attach a certified copy of the academic transcripts for all tertiary studies except those undertaken at Curtin/WAIT. Academic records must contain an explanation of grading system descriptions.

University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) ANZ and Casper Test

UCAT ANZ and Casper Test scores are not required for this application but if you have completed these tests please complete the following:

UCAT ANZ ID		
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Casper ID		Casper percentile	
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7. PREVIOUS APPLICANTS

Have you previously applied to Curtin Medical School (Medicine) -
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Entry?

Yes		No	
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If yes, please describe what you have done to strengthen your application for entry this year.

8. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please describe any community roles or involvement you have had including volunteering, caring, community leadership, religious/service organisations, committees and boards, clubs or student organisations etc.

9. PERSONAL ACHEIVEMENTS

Please describe your current or recent sporting, artistic or other achievements, hobbies or interests.

10. INTEREST IN MEDICINE

Please write a statement of up to 600 words outlining why you are interested in studying Medicine and how you hope to use your medical degree in the future. We are interested in what skills, qualities and achievements influenced your decision and the kind of life experiences and personal achievements that provide you with the preparation and determination to succeed.

Please answer the following questions:

1. When did you decide you wanted to do medicine?
2. When you are a doctor, what are you going to do?
3. Why would you like to study medicine at Curtin University?

11. REFEREES (ACADEMIC OR EMPLOYMENT)

Please attach two written referee reports in support of your application to Curtin Medical School (Medicine) for medical studies from individuals who know you well through either work, academic studies or community involvement. Please provide their contact details below:

Referee 1

Work or Academic Relationship			
Family Name			
Given Name/s			
Telephone Number			
Email Address (if available)			
Street Address			
	Suburb		Postcode

Referee 2

Work or Academic Relationship			
Family Name			
Given Name/s			
Telephone Number			
Email Address (if available)			
Street Address			
	Suburb		Postcode

12. REFEREES (ABORIGINAL OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER)

Please provide details of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander organisation or person (not a family member) who can verify that you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, or both.

Name			
Telephone Number			
Email Address (if available)			
Street Address			
	Suburb		Postcode

13. DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

To be considered for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entry you must complete this declaration form stating that your application is “True and Complete”. If this declaration is not signed or is incomplete your application cannot be considered for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entry.

Declaration

I declare that the information I have provided in this application and any attachments is true and complete. I make it in the understanding and belief that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code (Commonwealth – Division 136 Criminal Code Act 1995).

I understand Curtin University reserves the right to vary or reverse any decision regarding admission or enrolment made on the basis of incorrect or incomplete information.

I authorise Curtin University to obtain relevant information, results/records from any educational institution, relevant examining body and/or other sources as required.

I declare that I have not been excluded or subject to disciplinary action at any tertiary institution.

I acknowledge that if my application is successful, I may be required to supply documentary evidence to substantiate information supplied in this application.

I declare that I have read the instructions on this application and that the information I have provided is accurate and complete.

I will inform the University immediately if any of the information provided changes.

I understand the structure and content of the course I am applying for.

I authorise the University to access the Australian Immigration Visa Entitlements Verification Online (VEVO) system at any time to obtain information regarding my visa status.

I acknowledge that if I do not provide the requested information, Curtin University may not be able to assess my application for admission.

I authorise Curtin University to obtain further academic information or official student records from any educational institution or recognised educational qualifications assessment body as necessary.

I authorise Curtin University to verify my employment history for the purpose of making an informed decision about my application where my work experience is relevant.

I understand that Curtin University is not responsible if any educational body or institution does not supply my academic or work history records.

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I acknowledge that Curtin University reserves the right to vary or reverse any decision regarding admission or academic progress made on the basis of incorrect, incomplete or fraudulent information.

I agree that Curtin University may collect and disclose personal information about me for the purposes of assessing my application, creating a record on its student database, undertaking statistical analysis, providing data to Government Departments as required by law, for verification of study loads, for remission of debt and to further inform me about relevant courses and events.

I understand that the information will be accessed by third parties engaged by the University to perform services on its behalf, such as but not limited to the Fund Manager of the ESOS Assurance Fund, pursuant to obligations under the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 and the National Code of that Act for international students. Where personal information is to be provided to a third party, the third party will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement.

International students: I accept that information supplied in this application may also be made available to a Curtin University overseas representative to provide assistance with my application.

International students: I accept that information supplied in this application may be made available to the University's preferred Overseas Student Health Cover provider to assist with my health insurance.

I acknowledge that I have the right to access and amend personal information which Curtin University holds about me, subject to exceptions in relevant privacy legislation. To access personal information contact the Freedom of Information Coordinator at foi@curtin.edu.au. A charge may apply for providing access.

I understand that I can obtain further information concerning the Curtin University Privacy Policy at <http://global.curtin.edu.au/legal/privacy.cfm>.

By signing this form, I agree that I have read and understand all information provided in this form.

Applicant Signature		Date																	
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Curtin University reserves the right to conduct checks or audit any application documentation submitted in support of entry to the MBBS course. Information provided by applicants is treated as confidential according to the University Policy on Access to Student Information. Curtin will not disclose personal information without student consent, except as required by law.

This document is adapted from Flinders University Indigenous Entry Scheme - Doctor of Medicine (South Australia and the Northern Territory).

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NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

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Begin preparing your application early as it can take time to arrange some of the information and documentation required, especially confirmation of Aboriginality.

If you have any questions about how to apply please contact the Curtin School of Medicine Aboriginal Student Support Officer Cmsaht@curtin.edu.au.

Eligibility Requirements

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students with an interest in becoming a doctor and completing the Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery course are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applicants can be:

- School leavers who have completed year 12 or equivalent and achieved an ATAR.
- Students who have completed the Indigenous Pre-Medicine and Health Sciences Enabling course at Curtin University.
- Graduates from any university who hold a completed tertiary degree record.
- Course Switchers who have a record of study from Curtin University or any other university with successful completion of at least 200 credits (1 year full-time) or 1 EFTSL of an undergraduate degree. Course switchers **MUST** commence the MBBS program in the first year of the course.

To be eligible to apply you need to:

- have successfully completed or be on track to complete one of the qualifications listed above
- meet the chemistry and English requirements for the course. See the Curtin University Handbook for more information. <https://handbook.curtin.edu.au/courses/course-ug-bachelor-of-medicine-bachelor-of-surgery--b-mbbsv1>
- meet the inherent requirements of the MBBS. These are outlined at <https://www.curtin.edu.au/study/applying/inherent-requirements/inherent-requirements-for-the-bachelor-of-medicine-and-surgery/>
- confirm Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

Confirmation of Aboriginality

It is a requirement that applicants applying for the MBBS course through the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway provide confirmation of Aboriginality.

The required definition is that proposed in the Constitutional Section of the Department of Aboriginal Affairs' Report on a review of the administration of the working definition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders (Canberra, 1981) and since used by the Federal Government as their working definition, in state legislation and by the High Court, should be the only acceptable definition of Aboriginality.

This is a three-part definition requiring all 3 parts to be established for Aboriginality to be recognized:

- descent (the individual can prove that a parent is of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent);

- self-identification (the individual identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander); and
- community recognition (the individual is accepted as such by the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community in which he/she lives) approved by NACCHO Board November 2007.

Supply a signed, written statement “signed under seal” by the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander organisation in the community from which the applicant originates or is recognised. This provides confirmation that the applicant is recognised by the community in which he/she/they is from and sign the declaration in the application form.

It is important that applicants seeking admission via this pathway begin the process of obtaining their Confirmation of Aboriginality immediately. A valid Confirmation of Aboriginality is required to receive an offer for the course.

How to Apply

Apply directly to Curtin Medical School. You DO NOT have to lodge an application with the Tertiary Institutions Service Centre (TISC). If you have a sat Undergraduate Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) ANZ or the Casper Test you can also include these scores of you like though they are not required.

1. Meet Inherent Requirements

Review the Medicine Inherent Requirements statements at [Inherent requirements for the Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery | Study \(curtin.edu.au\)](https://www.curtin.edu.au/undergraduate/medicine/surgery/inherent-requirements) and decide if you may experience challenges in meeting these requirements. If you have questions about your capability to complete a medical program due to a disability (visible or invisible), we encourage you to contact us early for advice and guidance before making an informed decision to invest in the process of applying. Please email CMSfuturestudents@curtin.edu.au to arrange confidential discussion with the MBBS Course Coordinator. The School is supportive of the inclusion of students with disabilities, and often an agreed support plan is developed and implemented to assist the student to attain the inherent learning required in the MBBS program to be a competent and safe junior doctor upon graduation.

2. Prepare Supporting Documentation

you will need to supply these documents as part of your application:

- Confirmation of Aboriginality and supporting documentation
- Your resume (e.g. work, volunteer, extracurricular activities)
- Contact details for your referees
- Certified copies of academic transcripts
- If you have changed your name, official name change documents.

3. Complete the application form

Download and complete both parts of the application form electronically then print and sign. *Add links to forms here.*

4. Submit your application

Send your application and accompanying documentation to cmsfuturestudents@curtin.edu.au by **31st July**

Communication Regarding Your Application

Email will be the main way to contact you about your application. It is important you provide a current email address which will be valid and that you regularly check your email address.