

Question Type	Type	Question	Answer
Admissions	Accommodation	Are first years guaranteed accomodation if they live in London?	All first year students who accept Imperial as their firm choice are guaranteed a place in College accommodation provided they're eligible and complete their application by the deadline. Find out more here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/campus-life/accommodation/prospective/ug/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/campus-life/accommodation/prospective/ug/</a> (Are first years guaranteed accomodation if they live in London?)
Admissions	Advice	How is the medicine admissions process going to be different to other years in light of COVID?	The 2022 admissions cycle will hopefully look very similar to a 'standard' admissions year as we continue to recover and emerge from the COVID pandemic. If you are concerned about anything regarding your application next year you can email <a href="mailto:medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk">medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk</a> (How is the medicine admissions process going to be different to other years in light of COVID?)
Admissions	Advice	What are the main aspects of an application that differentiates successful medicine applicants from the rest?	Provided an applicant meets the minimum predicted grade requirement of AAA and the BMAT threshold, then their success or otherwise would depend on their performance at interview.(What are the main aspects of an application that differentiates successful medicine applicants from the rest?)
Admissions	Advice	How many applicants are there each year and how many of them are accepted?	The number of applications Imperial receives changes each year. For 2021 Entry, we received an increased number of applications (up by 26%) so we received approximately 4500 applications. We currently have 357 places available for 2021 Entry.
Admissions	Advice	Do we have to be 18 years old when the course starts in the fall? and if yes, by what day?	We have a very strict age limit and all students must be 18 by the start of the course without exception. For 2022 this would be 3rd October.(so do we have to be 18 years old when the course starts in the fall? and if yes, by what day?)
Admissions	Advice	what vaccinations must be taken before arriving at the university?	The Imperial College Occupational Health team issues the requirements for the immunisation programme when you are to fill out a Health questionnaire. You will be asked to fill out details about your last vaccinations for specific groups. If you have not undertaken that specific vaccination previously then you may be required to attend a vaccination clinic when you join Imperial in October. Please make sure you complete these documents accurately and in full.
Admissions	Advice	What courses enable you to convert onto medicine after first year?	This is not an option at Imperial. We only accept students who have applied through UCAS for 1st year entry.(What courses enable you to convert onto medicine after first year?)

Admissions	Advice	would events such as global summer schools put you in a better position in terms of your application?	Taking part in Summer Schools or other schemes can give you insight into the department you may wish to join. It does not give you advantages to jump part of the admission process. It may give you more experiences to talk to or more insight in making a choice as to whether Imperial is the place for you.
Admissions	Advice	Are private candidates at a disadvantage in any way?	No, you are not disadvantaged. You would be treated the same as any other applicant. You may be required to ensure your reference submits predicted grades and you may need to submit your grades independently to confirm your achieved grades in August.
Admissions	Advice	Will everyone who meets the entry requirement be treated the same or would applicants who exceed the requirements be prioritized over those who have just achieved the minimum entry requirements	Everyone who meets the entry requirements will be treated the same. Shortlisting will occur during the BMAT stage of the admissions process. Your achieved BMAT score will determine invitation to interview. You can review the admissions timeline here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a>
Admissions	Advice	Which nationalities are mainly present on campus?	We have a huge range of UK and International students. Learn more here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/international-students/(Which-nationalities-are-mainly-present-on-campus?)">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/international-students/(Which nationalities are mainly present on campus? )</a>
Admissions	Advice	What is the difference between MBBS and Bsc?	The MBBS refers to your doctor's qualification - this is called a Bachelor of Medicine and Surger. Undertaking the degree at Imperial also allows you to obtain a BSc degree in Medical Science in addition. This means you will graduate with two degrees.
Admissions	BMAT	What is the weightage of the BMAT score in the application?	Applicants are ranked by their BMAT score and this is how Imperial will shortlist applicants for interview. Your scores in Section 1 and Section 2 are combined and that combined score will need to meet both the minimum threshold and the combined threshold score. You will also be expected to meet the minimum threshold for Section 3 to be invited to interview. You can see the full breakdown of the 2021 Entry scores on our website: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/#entry-requirements">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/#entry-requirements</a>

Admissions	BMAT	How can we prepare for ucat/bmat?	The best way to prepare for BMAT which Imperial takes is to look at the BMAT preparation websites: <a href="https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/">https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/</a> . You can also see our current student talk through tips for BMAT here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a> (How can we prepare for ucat/bmat?)
Admissions	BMAT	can you do the ucat and still get in	No, at Imperial, we only accept BMAT and not UCAT.
Admissions	BMAT	What score would you be looking for in the BMAT?	<p>BMAT cut-off scores are calculated each year, as a result of ranked candidate BMAT scores versus number of expected interview sessions. As a result, the absolute BMAT cut-off changes each year. However, the BMAT cut-off scores from previous admissions cycles may be used as a guide.</p> <p>For 2021 Entry, Home candidates: Candidates were required to score a minimum of 3.5 in Section 1 and Section 2, with the sum score in these two Sections being at least 10.9. They were required to score a minimum of 2.5C in Section 3.</p> <p>For 2021 Entry, OS/EU candidates: Candidates were required to score a minimum of 4.0 in Section 1 and Section 2, with the sum of scores in these two Sections being at least 13.3. They were required to score a minimum of 3C in Section 3. You can find out more here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/#entry-requirements">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/#entry-requirements</a> (What score would you be looking for in the BMAT? )</p>
Admissions	BMAT	is the BMAT online this year? or is it back in paper form?	The BMAT website is the best place to check this due to COVID restrictions: <a href="https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/bmat-november/">https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/bmat-november/</a> (is the BMAT online this year? or is it back in paper form?)

Admissions	BMAT	How early should one start revising for the UCAT/BMAT?	You should give yourself enough time for revision and practicing BMAT sufficiently to achieve the best performance possible. The best way to prepare for BMAT which Imperial takes is to look at the BMAT preparation websites: <a href="https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/">https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/</a> . You can also see our current student talk through tips for BMAT here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a>
Admissions	BMAT	do you have any suggestion for books we should use to study for the bmat?	We don't suggest any specific books rather you should use the preparatory material on the BMAT preparation websites: <a href="https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/">https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/bmat/preparing-for-bmat/</a> . You can also see our current student talk through tips for BMAT here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a>
Admissions	BMAT	What are your expectations when it comes to the BMAT Score. Do you have a threshold?	Applicants are ranked by their BMAT score so the BMAT threshold will vary from year to year. 2021 entry threshold can be found on the course webpage: <a href="http://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/">http://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/</a> (What are your expectations when it comes to the BMAT Score. Do you have a threshold?)
Admissions	BMAT	What year do you recommend we take the BMAT?	You should take the BMAT during the same year you are submitting your application to UCAS for medicine. If you are applying to UCAS by October 2021, you would sit BMAT in November 2021.
Admissions	BMAT	Is there a BMAT cut off and in the previous years, what was the typical score of a successful applicant?	Applicants are ranked by their BMAT score so the BMAT threshold will vary from year to year. 2021 entry threshold can be found on the course webpage: <a href="http://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/">http://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/</a> (What are your expectations when it comes to the BMAT Score. Do you have a threshold?)
Admissions	Campus Visit	Are there going to be any in person open days this year?	At the moment, it is not possible to visit the campus due to Covid-19 restrictions. We hope that we will be able to welcome prospective students on campus soon, but meanwhile you can have a look at the virtual tour on our website: <a href="https://360-visit.imperial.ac.uk/">https://360-visit.imperial.ac.uk/</a>
Admissions	Campus Visit	Does Imperial offer any campus visits right now?	At the moment, it is not possible to visit the campus due to Covid-19 restrictions. We hope that we will be able to welcome prospective students on campus soon, but meanwhile you can have a look at the virtual tour on our website: <a href="https://360-visit.imperial.ac.uk/">https://360-visit.imperial.ac.uk/</a>

Admissions	Cohort Size	how many places are there for A100 course?	<p>The cohort size is set by the Department of Health who impose a cap on the number of students permitted to enter medical school each year. This year, the number is 357.</p> <p>In 2020, the cap was lifted, and the number was higher, due to the changes in the A-Levels outcomes.(how many places are there for A100 course?)</p>
Admissions	Disabilities	What level and kinds of support do you provide for those with learning disabilities?	<p>All disabilities disclosed with us are carefully taken into consideration. If you would like more detailed information, I suggest you get in touch with our Disability Advisory Service: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/disability-advisory-service/about-the-service/contact-us/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/disability-advisory-service/about-the-service/contact-us/</a></p>
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Do Imperial look at your GCSEs?	No, we do not look at GCSE grades
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is four a levels given preference over 3?	No - you just need to meet the entry requirements (A*AA). You will not gain preference over other applicants for having an extra A Level.(Is four a levels given preference over 3?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is maths a necessary subject to apply here?	Maths is not a required subject in order to be considered(Is maths a necessary subject to apply here?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	is A*A*A or A*A*A* preferred compared to A*AA?	<p>provided you are predicted AAA then you will progress to the second stage of selection, which is the BMAT. Our standard offer is A*AA so there is no advantage being predicted A*A*A*(is A*A*A or A*A*A* preferred compared to A*AA?)</p>
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Does doing 4 A-levels rather than 3 improve your offer chances? And if you do 3 A-levels, are they preferred to all be sciences/maths?	<p>The standard offer are three A-levels at A*AA (including an A* in either Biology or Chemistry). You would not be asked to provide a fourth A Level grade. Doing a fourth A Level will give you two opportunities to obtain your third A grade however it would not give you an improved chance. Rather you can talk about taking your additional A Level in your personal statement and the interview to demonstrate any additional skills you feel taking the fourth A Level has provided you.</p>
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Does Imperial medicine have rolling admissions?	<p>No. All students are required to complete an application via UCAS for entry, and the timeline of the application process follows a few steps. Find out more here:  <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a></p>

Admissions	Entry Requirements	I live in Scotland, and if I take more than 3 advanced highers, will it increase my competitiveness for medicine applications? (ie. easier to get in because i took 4/5+ advanced highers)	There is no advantage in taking more subjects than required in terms of securing an offer. (Jade (Unverified) asked "I live in Scotland, and if I take more than 3 advanced highers, will it increase my competitiveness for medicine applications? (ie. easier to get in because i took 4/5+ advanced highers)")
Admissions	Entry Requirements	how many ucas points do you need to get into your medicine course?	You can see the full list of entry requirements here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/(how%20many%20ucas%20points%20do%20you%20need%20to%20get%20into%20your%20medicine%20course?)">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/(how many ucas points do you need to get into your medicine course?)</a>
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Does imperial prefer if you've done three science subjects (e.g. bio, chem and maths) or can you have done something different as your third subject?	The standard offer are three A-levels at A*AA (including an A* in either Biology or Chemistry). General Studies and Critical Thinking are not accepted.(Does imperial prefer if you've done three science subjects (e.g. bio, chem and maths) or can you have done something different as your third subject?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is doing 5 A levels advantageous for the application process?	You just need to meet the entry requirements of A*AA. More A Levels than this does not give you an advantage.(Is doing 5 A levels advantageous for the application process?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is having Maths as subject in grade 11 and 12 a necessity for applying to medicine at imperial??	Maths is not a strict subject requirement in order to be considered(Is having Maths as subject in grade 11 and 12 a necessity for applying to medicine at imperial??)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Are ACT/SAT scores taken into consideration in my admissions if I am currently taking the IBDP?	No your ACT/SAT scores are not taking into consideration.
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is it possible to study Biology, Chemistry and Religious Studies for A-levels and get into medicine at Imperial?	Yes - for Medicine at Imperial, the requirement is A*AA (including A* in either biology or chemistry). General studies and critical thinking are not accepted. This means your 3rd subject choice can be anything else (it does not have to be maths). For example, I did Biology, Chemistry and Psychology. (Is it possible to study Biology, Chemistry and Religious Studies for A-levels and get into medicine at Imperial?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	can i do medicine with a maths , biology and psychology a level	Biology and Chemistry are both required subjects. We won't be able to consider an application without them(can i do medicine with a maths , biology and psychology a level)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	For the IB, is there a preferred course for the third higher level subject?	Provided you are taking Biology and Chemistry at HL your other subject choices do not matter and will not impact on your application(For the IB, is there a preferred course for the third higher level subject?)

Admissions	Entry Requirements	Must your predicted grades match with entry requirements in order to apply successfully? E.g entry requirements AAA/A*AA but predicted grades are AAB?	You must be predicted a minimum of AAA. all applicants predicted this will proceed to the second stage of assessment which is the BMAT.(kemi (Unverified) asked "Must your predicted grades match with entry requirements in order to apply successfully? E.g entry requirements AAA/A*AA but predicted grades are AAB?")
Admissions	Entry Requirements	does studying sociology at a levels relate to medicine. will it help me at university or not? because i find it really interesting but i find it hard to relate it to medicine	As long as you have Biology and Chemistry as two of your a-level choices, you are free to do any 3rd subject, as long as it's not General studies or Critical Thinking. For example, I did Psychology and I found this to be very helpful during this year as we had a whole module on Psychiatry, so I already knew the information. I would suggest for your 3rd subject, choose a subject you enjoy!(does studying sociology at a levels relate to medicine. will it help me at university or not? because i find it really interesting but i find it hard to relate it to medicine)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Do you consider AS-Levels taken/ see them as a benefit to an application?	AS levels do not form any part of our selection process.(Do you consider AS-Levels taken/ see them as a benefit to an application?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is getting A*AA better than getting A*AAD? Is it worth taking the fourth a level?	Our minimum requirement is for grades AAA in three A-levels including Chemistry and Biology, with a standard offer being A*AA (with the A* in Chemistry or Biology). When initially assessing applications, we look at predicted grades, not AS level or GCSE results. If these are sufficient then you will proceed to the next stage of the assessment, which is the BMAT. All applicants who are predicted AAA will go through to the next stage of the selection process (the BMAT grades), thus a candidate predicted 4 A*s has no advantage over one who is predicted AAA. Please note that any offer made will be our standard as above.(Is getting A*AA better than getting A*AAD? Is it worth taking the fourth a level?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	How is further mathematics considered as an A-Level at Imperial?	Further Maths is considered as an individual A Level.(How is further mathematics considered as an A-Level at Imperial?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is it possible to be considered with Chemistry and another science (e.g. physics) instead of biology?	Yes, the A* needs to be in either Biology or Chemistry
Admissions	Entry Requirements	if you do the IB, do you need to present other English language qualifications like the IELTS?	If you are taking English in your IB then there is no need to take an additional test. our grade requirements can be found here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/english/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/english/</a> (if you do the IB, do you need to present other English language qualifications like the IELTS?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	What is the language requirement for medical application?	You can see the English Language requirement here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/english/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/english/</a> (What is the language requirement for medical application? )

Admissions	Entry Requirements	I am in the IB programme, I have High Level Biology, but my school does not offer High Level Chemistry, if I take University online Chemistry course, will it count as Higher Level Chemistry? Am I qualified to apply?	We would not accept an online university course in lieu of IB so you would need to take either A-Level or Advanced Placement in order to be eligible. (Students: I am in the IB programme, I have High Level Biology, but my school does not offer High Level Chemistry, if I take University online Chemistry course, will it count as Higher Level Chemistry? Am I qualified to apply? )
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Are there reduced offers for people doing four a-levels?	No, we have a standard offer of A*AA. we do not adjust this for students taking more than 3 subjects. (Are there reduced offers for people doing four a-levels?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Does the A* need to be from bio or chem?	Yes, that is correct (does the A* need to be from bio or chem? )
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Is it absolutely essential that the A* be in biology or chemistry as opposed to in the 3rd subject?	Yes, the A* needs to be in either Biology or Chemistry (Is it absolutely essential that the A* be in biology or chemistry as opposed to in the 3rd subject?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Does doing an EPQ at A-level contribute to the admission process consideration? Thank you	No, EPQs do not form part of our assessment or offers (Does doing an EPQ at A-level contribute to the admission process consideration? Thank you)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Whats the offer and acceptance timeline?	Please have a look here for a timeline of the application process: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a>
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Can offers be lowered if you are doing an EPQ?	EPQs do not form any part of our assessment or offers (Can offers be lowered if you are doing an EPQ?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	If four A levels are taken, would an offer be made incorporating all four subjects or just the usual three?	Our standard offer is A*AA which we do not adjust for students taking more than 3 subjects. (If four A levels are taken, would an offer be made incorporating all four subjects or just the usual three? )
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Do we need an A* in Biology or Chemistry, or can the A* be in another subject?	The A* must be in either Biology or Chemistry. (With offers is the a* specific for any subject?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	I applied by directly email, will you read?	All applications must be made either via UCAS (for undergraduate degrees) or through Imperial's website (for postgraduate degrees - see here <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/apply/how-to-apply/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/apply/how-to-apply/</a> ). (Aysoo (Unverified) asked "I applied by directly email, will you read?")
Admissions	Entry Requirements	I sent my DBS check but have not heard back. Do i miss my offer if i still dont by the 30th June?	Please send an email to <a href="mailto:feo-admissions-interviews@imperial.ac.uk">feo-admissions-interviews@imperial.ac.uk</a>



Admissions	Entry Requirements	Are there reduced offers for people who do 4 a-levels rather than 3?	The standard offer are three A-levels at A*AA (including an A* in either Biology or Chemistry). You would not be asked to provide a fourth A Level grade. Doing a fourth A Level will give you two opportunities to obtain your third A grade however it would not give you an improved chance. Rather you can talk about taking your additional A Level in your personal statement and the interview to demonstrate any additional skills you feel taking the fourth A Level has provided you.
Admissions	Entry Requirements	With offers is the a* specific for any subject?	The A* must be in either Biology or Chemistry.(With offers is the a* specific for any subject?)
Admissions	Entry Requirements	Where can I find what Imperial is looking for in students	All applicants have a chance to be accepted into the programme, as long as they pass the "hurdles" of the admissions process. All students are required to complete an application via UCAS for entry and sit our required admissions test – BMAT (Biomedical Admissions Test) in the year of application. You must meet our minimum entry requirements and be predicted AAA or 38 IB to move forward in the admissions process. If you then meet the cut off scores in your BMAT (we use a combined score of Section 1 and Section 2) you are invited to take part in our interview process. Our interview process is Multiple-Mini Interviews and this is what will determine whether an offer is give. If you are successful at interview and meet the threshold for an offer, you will receive an offer at the end of the admissions cycle through UCAS. Have a look here for a full list of entry requirements: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/#entry-requirements">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/#entry-requirements</a>
Admissions	Finance	What should you do if you do not think it is financially possible to attend university in london?	It is really important to make sure you have enough funds to study in London. If you study in London and are eligible for Student Finance England funding, you will obtain an extra allowance for "living in London". Imperial Bursary scheme is also one of the most generous provisions in the UK which depending on your household income can support your living costs. You can see more information about fees and funding here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/</a> . In the School of Medicine we also support hundreds of students each year through the Hardship Fund which supports students in financial difficulties.
Admissions	Finance	Are medical students allowed to have a side job while they study at Imperial?	It is possible to have a part-time job during university, however, you need ot have good organisational skills so you can balance your academic medicine work too.

Admissions	Finance	does imperial have scholarship?	Please see <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/bursaries-and-scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/bursaries-and-scholarships/</a> and <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/fees-and-funding/scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/fees-and-funding/scholarships/</a> for more information on available scholarships
Admissions	Finance	Does this financial support include not UK Students? Because I'm from Brazil and live in Germany since 2019.	The Imperial Bursary is only available to Home students. You can find out more about fees and funding on Imperial's Student finance website: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/</a> There are also scholarships, but these are available to students who have already been accepted and have received an unconditional offer to study with us. Therefore, you will need to apply and be accepted to the programme before you can be considered for the scholarship. I hope it's clear. Here you can find more information about scholarship opportunities at Imperial: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/scholarships/</a>
Admissions	Gap Year	How would you recommend applicants spend their time on their gap year before entry into medical school?	We have a gap year advice website which may be helpful in what you want to do during your gap year. You can review this here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/takingagapyear/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/takingagapyear/</a>
Admissions	Gap Year	Do you have to apply for deferred entry before/during your application or can you decide once you have gotten an offer?	You can apply for deferred entry during your UCAS application or if you chose to take a gap year once you have undertaken the admissions process and have an offer, you can talk to the department to approve the gap year.
Admissions	Gap Year	is deferred entry offered and automatically granted?	Deferred entry is possible however it is generally provided following a successful interview offer. You may be asked to write to the department to discuss your deferral. You can also apply for a deferred entry at UCAS application stage. (is deferred entry offered and automatically granted?)
Admissions	Gap Year	if we apply one year and get an offer but decide to take a gap year, do we need to retake the BMAT and interview process again?	No, you are not disadvantaged. You would need to talk to the department once you received an offer and your conditions would be carried over to the next entry year. You would not need to take BMAT or the interview cycle again.
Admissions	Graduate Entry	are you accepting graduate entry applications this year?	The graduate entry programme is not currently running. You can enter the 6 year programme as a graduate but you would be expected to take all six years including a BSc during your fourth year. (are you accepting graduate entry applications this year?)

Admissions	International	How many places are there for international students?	We have approximately 25 places per cohort. This is around 7.5% of our intake. The Department of Health applies an overseas cap for medical school places.
Admissions	International	Are members of Europe considered as internationals when it comes to admissions?	To check status of European citizens and what level of fees you would need to pay, please have a look at the following page for more information: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/fee-status/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/fee-status/</a> as well as the UKCISA website. If you are not considered as a Home student, or do not have Pre-Settled status, then you will be charged International fees. Currently there remains a cap imposed by the Department of Health on the number of international students an institution can take. For Imperial this remains at around 24 places.
Admissions	International	How many international applicants are there ?	This varies every year but we receive a very high number of applications from students based in the UK and overseas. Based on 2020 admissions data, we receive 10 applications for every one available space on our Medicine degree.
Admissions	International	What is the acceptance rate for international students at imperial?	Approximately 50-60% of international applicants will accept their offer to study at Imperial School of Medicine.
Admissions	International	As an international student what are the other options if u cannot attend a MMI	For the last year we ran our interview process remotely. It is likely that this option will be given over the next year of the programme. Please get in touch with the FEO Admissions Interviews team <feo-admissions-interviews@imperial.ac.uk> if you want any more details should you apply to us next year.(As an international student what are the other options if u cannot attend a MMI)
Admissions	International	What are the merit-based scholarships available for international students at Imperial for medicine?	The School of Medicine scholarship information can be found on this page: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/scholarships/</a> . Our scholarship process opens annually following offer holders becoming enrolled students.
Admissions	International	As an international student, I am not currently studying for either IB or A-Level. Does Imperial organise an alternative route for students without said qualifications? For instance, the examination I am preparing for (i.e. Diploma di Esame di Stato Scientifico) fully covers the A-Level syllabi for Mathematics, Physics, Biology and Chemistry. Would I still be able to apply to Imperial?	The following webpage shows the minimum academic entry requirements <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/ugacademic/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/ugacademic/</a> and you can contact Medicine Admissions on <a href="mailto:medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk">medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk</a>

Admissions	International	how much does an undergraduate medicine degree cost for international students?	You can see the tuition fees here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/</a> which includes fees for Medicine. (how much does an undergraduate medicine degree cost for international students?)
Admissions	International	Is the imperial bursary only for uk applicants or for international applicants as well?	The Imperial Bursary is only available to Home students. You can find out more about fees and funding on Imperial's Student finance website: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/</a>
Admissions	International	How can an International Student stand out in the application (considering the quotas)	The admissions process can be considered in steps - as an applicant, you should aim to highlight your academic and extra-curricular strengths when writing your personal statement, you should practice your BMAT performance as International Students do have a higher threshold to meet and should you get through to Interview, you should prepare examples from your own experience to talk against when you meet your interviewers. We would also recommended reviewing the NHS Values which appear during ethical discussions with your interviewers. You can see the values here: <a href="https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/working-health/working-nhs/nhs-constitution">https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/working-health/working-nhs/nhs-constitution</a>
Admissions	International	How many international students apply to medicine in Imperial? How many are admitted to interviews and how many are finally admitted?	The ratio of applicants per interview is 1:9 and the number of applicants per place is 1:7. The cohort size is set by the Department of Health who impose a cap on the number of students permitted to enter medical school each year. This year, the number is 357. In 2020, the cap was lifted, and the number was higher, due to the changes in the A-Levels outcomes.
Admissions	International	What BMAT score would make me an attractive option for Imperial as an international student?	Anyone who is taking BMAT should aim to achieve the best possible score for them. There are different thresholds for International Students due to the competition for places. Please check our website for the 2021 Entry BMAT thresholds so you can practice to achieve these scores. Website: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/courses/school-of-medicine/medicine/</a>
Admissions	International	Does national/international work experience make a difference?	We consider all experiences regardless of where it was. Volunteering and work experience is personal and different for everyone. The important aspect is for it to be something you can talk about and reflect on - if your experience was internationally resourced, the key is to be able to talk about what you learnt, what skills you took away from it, how it helped make you make the decision to take a medicine related career path.

Admissions	International	What sort of funding/scholarships are available for international applicants? (any special scholarships/funding for commonwealth countries in the UK?)	The School of Medicine scholarship information can be found on this page: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/scholarships/</a> . Our scholarship process opens annually following offer holders becoming enrolled students.
Admissions	Interview	Which applicants have a higher chance to gain admission to your medical school?	All applicants have a chance to be accepted into the programme, as long as they pass the "hurdles" of the admissions process. All students are required to complete an application via UCAS for entry and sit our required admissions test – BMAT (Biomedical Admissions Test) in the year of application. You must meet our minimum entry requirements and be predicted AAA or 38 IB to move forward in the admissions process. If you then meet the cut off scores in your BMAT (we use a combined score of Section 1 and Section 2) you are invited to take part in our interview process. Our interview process is Multiple-Mini Interviews and this is what will determine whether an offer is give. If you are successful at interview and meet the threshold for an offer, you will receive an offer at the end of the admissions cycle through UCAS.
Admissions	Interview	How do virtual interviews take place?	You can find out more about the virtual MMI we ran this year here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/(How%20do%20virtual%20interviews%20take%20place?)">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/(How do virtual interviews take place? )</a>
Admissions	Interview	Hi how is the interview marked and judged and how much is it weighted in comparison to other areas in the application process like bmat?	The interview is marked by 7 individuals which give you each a score. These scores combined will determine whether you receive an offer.(Hi how is the interview marked and judged and how much is it weighted in comparison to other areas in the application process like bmat?)
Admissions	Interview	How can you tell from an applicant's profile or their interview performance that they are going to be a good doctor?	The interview process is designed to test a number of skills that are required to be a doctor. Having multiple stations helps the interviewers to assess more broadly whether the candidate possesses these skills. Preparation and knowledge of the NHS pillars is key, but also reflection on one's own experience and understanding the role of a doctor are essential characteristics to have to receive an offer.

Admissions	Interview	How are we assessed in the interview? Thank you!	<p>The interview process is Multiple-Mini Interviews. These are five-minute stations covering a specific construct. Imperial currently run seven stations looking at these constructs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Commitment to Medicine</li> <li>•Teamwork and Leadership</li> <li>•Ethnics – through NHS Values</li> <li>•Empathy</li> <li>•Work /Volunteering Experience</li> <li>•Contribution to Medical School – Student Life</li> </ul> <p>Your communication skills are assessed throughout. I hope this helps! (How are we assessed in the interview? Thank you!)</p>
Admissions	Interview	How much emphasis do you put on our interview? is it a make or breaker	<p>The interview is possibly the most important step, and this is because we get to hear directly from you, and we can listen to your answers and reflections on how you would act in a number of different situations and scenario. However, in order to be invited to interview you have to score well in your BMAT test and be predicted the minimum grades. Therefore, every step of the admission process is important.</p>
Admissions	Interview	Is the interview performance the only aspect considered when deciding to give offers?	<p>All students are required to complete an application via UCAS for entry and sit our required admissions test – BMAT (Biomedical Admissions Test) in the year of application. You must meet our minimum entry requirements and be predicted AAA or 38 IB to move forward in the admissions process. If you then meet the cut off scores in your BMAT (we use a combined score of Section 1 and Section 2) you are invited to take part in our interview process. Our interview process is Multiple-Mini Interviews and this is what will determine whether an offer is give. If you are successful at interview and meet the threshold for an offer, you will receive an offer at the end of the admissions cycle through UCAS. (Is the interview performance the only aspect considered when deciding to give offers?)</p>
Admissions	Interview	how were the MMIs carried out this year?	<p>This year (entry 2021) MMIs have been carried out asynchronously, this means that students did not have to come to Imperial but they could record a video of themselves answering the questions on the MMI stations. (how were the MMIs carried out this year?)</p>

Admissions	Interview	Is studying your A levels in the UK enough for the english language requirement? And if not does it affect your chances of getting an offer if you haven't done the IELTS test before your interview?	Our English language requirements are listed here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/english/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/requirements/english/</a> Even students at school in the UK will need to satisfy our English requirement. It will not have a negative impact on the likelihood of receiving an offer if you apply without the required English scores, but we will include an English condition if you are made an offer.(Is studying your A levels in the UK enough for the english language requirement? And if not does it affect your chances of getting an offer if you haven't done the IELTS test before your interview?)
Admissions	Interview	how does the roleplay typically play out?	You can have a look on the MSC website with tips and advice on your MMI: <a href="https://www.medschools.ac.uk/studying-medicine/interviews/interview-preparation">https://www.medschools.ac.uk/studying-medicine/interviews/interview-preparation</a>

Admissions	Interview	<p>In terms of interviewees, are you looking for a mix of students or only students that know a lot already and are seemingly 'perfected' or those that don't know a lot and don't answer questions the best, but are looking to build their knowledge.</p>	<p>All students are required to complete an application via UCAS for entry and sit our required admissions test – BMAT (Biomedical Admissions Test) in the year of application. You must meet our minimum entry requirements and be predicted AAA or 38 IB to move forward in the admissions process. If you then meet the cut off scores in your BMAT (we use a combined score of Section 1 and Section 2) you are invited to take part in our interview process. Our interview process is Multiple-Mini Interviews. These are five-minute stations covering a specific construct. We currently run seven stations looking at these constructs:</p> <p>Commitment to Medicine</p> <p>Teamwork and Leadership</p> <p>Ethnics – through NHS Values</p> <p>Empathy</p> <p>Work /Volunteering Experience</p> <p>Contribution to Medical School – Student Life</p> <p>Your communication skills are assessed throughout.</p> <p>If you are successful at interview and meet the threshold for an offer, you will receive an offer at the end of the admissions cycle through UCAS.</p>
Admissions	Interview	<p>Are the interviews going to be online for the 2022 entry?</p>	<p>We will communicate all the details about 2022 entry in the next few months. Please keep an eye on this page:  <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/</a>(Are the interviews going to be online for the 2022 entry?)</p>
Admissions	Interview	<p>how many interviews out of the applicants are offered each year?</p>	<p>Approximately 35-40% of Home applicants are offered an interview. Approximately 10-15% of overseas applicants are offered an interview.</p>



Admissions	Interview	what can we do to make it more likely to get accepted?	Control what you can control: make sure you prepare thoroughly for your BMAT test, practising on old papers. If you make it through to the interview, read all the information we send you and make sure you follow our tips. Again, practice sample questions and make sure you're prepared.(what can we do to make it more likely to get accepted?)
Admissions	Interview	what form of interviews do imperial give?	Imperial College School of Medicine does Multiple Mini Interviews. You can find more about MMIs here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/(what%20form%20of%20interviews%20do%20imperial%20give?)">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/(what form of interviews do imperial give?)</a>
Admissions	Interview	Are there scoring systems in MMI interviews?	You can see more information about our MMI process including the scoring scheme on this website: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI2021/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI2021/</a>
Admissions	Interview	What would you recommend to prepare yourself for interviews like in terms of practise?	The interview process is Multiple-Mini Interviews. These are five-minute stations covering a specific construct. Imperial currently run seven stations looking at these constructs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Commitment to Medicine</li> <li>•Teamwork and Leadership</li> <li>•Ethnics – through NHS Values</li> <li>•Empathy</li> <li>•Work /Volunteering Experience</li> <li>•Contribution to Medical School – Student Life</li> </ul> <p>Your communication skills are assessed throughout. We recommend you prepare for this skills using sample questions, and reading on our bespoke MMI page: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/</a></p>
Admissions	Interview	If you are like a school prefect or you have made societies in school can you say that will make you a good fit in imperial because you will fiit into uni life in the interview?	All of this is great, it definietly shows that you have developed good skills and experience! Make sure to reflect on what you have learnt from these experiences! Tania, fifth year Medic(If you are like a school prefect or you have made societies in school can you say that will make you a good fit in imperial because you will fiit into uni life in the interview?)

Admissions	Interview	How do we know if we're ready for medicine and how do we show this to you?	The best thing would be to read and prepare in order to find out more about the profession. Work experience also helps to understand what medicine is all about and if it is right for you. Examples taken from your work experience, as well as being reflective in your answers will help us understand whether you are ready to start your medical career.
Admissions	Offer Condition	What are the typical clearing offers for medicine at Imperial?	It is very rare for us to offer places through Clearing as our courses are almost always oversubscribed(What are the typical clearing offers for medicine at Imperial?)
Admissions	Offer Condition	what happens if you get an offer to imperial but miss out on your grades on results day? would they still take you if your third subject was lower than an A?	If you miss your offer conditions, you would be classed as a reconsideration candidate. Your grades would be reviewed by the department independently and a decision would be made as to whether an adjusted offer could be given. This is not guaranteed. Your case is therefore given one additional chance of review after grades are issued in August.
Admissions	Personal Statement	What do you look for in a personal statement?	<p>In your personal statement, which is part of your UCAS application, you have the chance to tell us about yourself. Remember that we do not know you, but we only know what you tell us: so, make sure you tell us about yourself. Think about the qualities that make a good doctor and show us how you reflect upon them. We are interested to know about your qualities, your skills and your interests and understand why you would be a good doctor.</p> <p>Our main advice is that you are honest, specific and concise - exaggerating your work experience will not necessarily put you ahead of other students. It is more genuine to describe and reflect upon the real experiences you have had, even if things did not go to plan. Give specific examples related to a career in medicine, and make sure you always show how you meet the non-academic criteria of the medical school you are applying to.(What do you look for in a personal statement?)</p>
Admissions	Personal Statement	Is the personal statement or BMAT more weighten in giving an offer?	The admissions process can be considered in steps - you are required to complete both the UCAS application including a personal statement as well as sit your admissions test (for Imperial this is BMAT). You can see the timeline of the admissions process here which will also give you more advice about what to do in each section. Website: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a>

Admissions	Personal Statement	From previous webinars, personal statement was not considered. Is this a recent change?	A personal statement is used differently depending on each institution. At Imperial, we do not put a high weighting on your personal statement as we would rather gain insight into you through the interview process. You have to still produce a personal statement but we do not shortlist from it.
Admissions	Personal Statement	Is there any criteria that your personal statement/interview is required to meet to get into Imperial?	We detail the aspects of the admissions process on our timeline page: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/</a> . We also encourage applicants to review our prospectus pages which covers the type of areas we will ask you about during the interviews - these cover the types of attitudes and behaviours we would be assessing you on. Our main advice for the personal statement is that you are honest, specific and concise.
Admissions	Personal Statement	Imperial is a very research-based university, do we need to include a research based project we might have done etc in our personal statement to stand out ?	You do not need to undertake a research project as part of the admission process. If your experience highlights an interest in research and you have undertaken a project, you can talk about it during your interview to demonstrate what skills/experiences you learnt from it. We are not expecting you to be a fully-fledged researcher before joining - rather if you have an interest in research, Imperial can be a stepping stone towards your future aspirations.
Admissions	Resit Advice	What advice would you give to resit candidates with extenuating circumstances that are interested in applying to medicine with achieved grades?	I'd encourage you to contact Medicine Admissions after this presentation to provide further information so we can assist you further - <a href="mailto:medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk">medicine.ug.admissions@imperial.ac.uk</a> (What advice would you give to resit candidates with extenuating circumstances that are interested in applying to medicine with achieved grades?)
Admissions	Resit Advice	How do you view the difference between resit applicants with achieved grades and those with predicted grades?	The department can consider applicants who apply with resit grades, if your original exam performance was negatively affected as a result of the affects of the COVID-19 pandemic. (How do you view the difference between resit applicants with achieved grades and those with predicted grades?)
Admissions	Scholarship	Do you offer scholarships? If yes, what is the criteria?	Information on scholarships can be found here <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/bursaries-and-scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/bursaries-and-scholarships/</a> and here <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/fees-and-funding/scholarships/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/fees-and-funding/scholarships/</a> . You can also contact the Student Funding Team for more scholarship details. (Do you offer scholarships? If yes, what is the criteria? )

Admissions	Tuition Fees	Hello, if I am a British Citizen but study in an American School (Advanced Placement), will my application still be counted as a home applicant?	Please see the following webpage <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/</a> and the UKCISA website for more information on how Imperial assesses fee statuses
Admissions	Tuition Fees	if you are a British citizen but not residing in U K are you considered a forigen student or local	Please see the following webpage <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/tuition-fees/</a> and the UKCISA website for more information on how Imperial assesses fee statuses
Admissions	Tuition Fees	How many years is the course - i.e. for which I need to pay ?	The course is 6 years in length. Depending on your fee status will determine whether your tuition fees can be funded. You can review this here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/</a>
Admissions	Visa	When i should start for visa	Please have a look here for visa information: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/international-students/visas-and-immigration/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/international-students/visas-and-immigration/</a> (Aysoo (Unverified) asked "When i should start for visa")
Admissions	Widening Participation	Do you take into account when a candidate is the first generation to study at university, is from underrepresented ethnicities or from a low-income background in the admissions process?	We want to ensure that the type of doctors we are producing are from all backgrounds so best equip you for the future. We operate contextual adjustments throughout the admissions process for those who are flagged as widening participation (this includes through your BMAT score, Interview score and offer conditions). You can see more and whether you would be considered here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/</a> .
Admissions	Widening Participation	is there a contextual offer system?	You can find more information on admissions schemes and contextual offers here <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/</a> and here <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/</a>
Admissions	Widening Participation	Is the summer school for students in year 11 who attend a private school and are not on a bursary?	The School of Medicine summer schools have specific criteria for eligibility. You can review this here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/be-inspired/schools-outreach/secondary-schools/stem-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/be-inspired/schools-outreach/secondary-schools/stem-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/</a>

Admissions	Widening Participation	What type of contextual offers are given to Pathways to Medicine students?	We want to ensure that the type of doctors we are producing are from all backgrounds so best equip you for the future. We operate contextual adjustments throughout the admissions process for those who are flagged as widening participation (this includes through your BMAT score, Interview score and offer conditions). You can see more and whether you would be considered here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/</a> .
Admissions	Widening Participation	What are the criteria for contextual offers?	We want to ensure that the type of doctors we are producing are from all backgrounds so best equip you for the future. We operate contextual adjustments throughout the admissions process for those who are flagged as widening participation (this includes through your BMAT score, Interview score and offer conditions). You can see more and whether you would be considered here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/ug/apply/selection/admissions-schemes/contextual-data/</a> .
Admissions	Widening Participation	how can I apply for widening participation programmes?	The WP flag is given to students automatically, through the information that is given on the UCAS form. If you think you qualify for WP please send an email to FEO Admissions Interviews with all the information and evidence <feo-admissions-interviews@imperial.ac.uk> (how can I apply for widening participation programmes?)
Admissions	Work Experience	what form of work experience would you recommend is best?	Any work experience that can demonstrate your interests and motivations to apply, as well as the skills required to study medicine is valuable. It doesn't just have to be in a hospital and this isn't necessarily 'best'. Many hospitals, GPs and nursing homes offer work experience and voluntary work, and these are some ideas you could explore.(what form of work experience would you recommend is best?)

Admissions	Work Experience	Due to covid-19 restrictions, relevant work experience is not possible. Therefore, is the virtual Observe GP work experience and the Brighton Sussex medical school virtual work experience sufficient for a competitive application to Imperial College?	We understand the challenges for our prospective applicants to gain experience practical experience in clinical settings. In response to the government's social distancing guidelines, which have a significant impact on all areas of life, we have decided to relax our work experience questions, allowing everyone to be able to talk about their work-related skills in schools or online scenarios. Despite the relaxed requirements, we still require our applicants to understand the realities of working as a healthcare professional and to show they have the necessary skills and attributes for their chosen career. Online resources can give you valuable insight into working in the healthcare sector and outline the wide range of careers and courses available. <a href="https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/">https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/NHSCareers">https://www.youtube.com/user/NHSCareers</a>
Admissions	Work Experience	Would it matter if we didnt have any clinical work experience as its hard to get any due to covid?	It does not matter if you don't have clinical work experience as we understand how difficult it has been during COVID. The most important aspect of your experience is that you are able to talk about what you learnt, what skills you took away from it and how it helped shape your decision to take a medicine related career path.
Admissions	Work Experience	How to utilise online medicine work experiences and how to talk about them on your personal statement?	Online resources are extremely valuable to how you learn about the healthcare sector and you should use it to supplement your understanding of what joining the medical profession is like. The key to any type of experience is how you are able reflect on what you learnt and talk openly about your own insights.
Admissions	Work Experience	how heavily do you weigh having volunteering work experience at charity shops, over care homes for example, or are they both considered equally	The important element about experience is to talk against what the experience taught you and the skills you have learnt from it rather than the kind of experience. Showing insight into what you learnt really counts for a lot. You can see more about all aspects of the admissions process here: <a href="https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/(how%20heavily%20do%20you%20weigh%20having%20volunteering%20work%20experience%20at%20charity%20shops,%20over%20care%20homes%20for%20example,%20or%20are%20they%20both%20considered%20equally)">https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/medicine-mbbs-programmes/MMI/timeline/(how heavily do you weigh having volunteering work experience at charity shops, over care homes for example, or are they both considered equally)</a>

Admissions	Work Experience	With most physical internships unavailable at the moment, how valuable are online courses for our personal statements?	We understand how difficult it is for applicants to get physical in-person work experience and therefore are happy to hear about virtual experiences or volunteering in other customer-facing sectors. Volunteering and work experience is personal and different for everyone. The key is to be able to talk about what you learnt, what skills you took away from it, how it helped make you make the decision to take a medicine related career path.
Admissions	Work Experience	Can volunteering act as work experience?	Yes, volunteering can be looked at instead of work experience. The most important aspect is to be able to reflect on the experiences you had and the skills you have learnt from the experience. (Can volunteering act as work experience?)
Admissions	Work Experience	is shadowing in a hospital very beneficial to getting accepted, or are there other more significant experiences that help to get in?	Shadowing in a hospital versus any other experience does not give you any additional "points" for acceptance. We know that any volunteering and/or work experience undertaken is personal. Therefore what we look for is a honest and realistic understanding of what you learnt from the experience, what skills if any you took away and how it helps shape your understanding of going into the profession.
Admissions	Work Experience	How much work experience do you really need to make your personal statement stand out?	There is not a preferred amount of work experience. Rather it is the insight you take from the experience which is key. Remember that what ever experience you obtain, you need to be able to recall what you learnt, the skills you picked up and how it helped you develop insight into the profession.
Admissions	Work Experience	How important is it that I have done volunteer work. As it is quite difficult to do this due to COVID.	We understand how difficult it is for applicants to get physical in-person work experience and therefore are happy to hear about virtual experiences or volunteering in other customer-facing sectors. Volunteering and work experience is personal and different for everyone. The key is to be able to talk about what you learnt, what skills you took away from it, how it helped make you make the decision to take a medicine related career path.
Admissions	Work Experience	How recent do your experiences have to be?	Your volunteering and/or work experience should be something you can talk about and reflect on regardless of how recent the experience took place. The key is to be able to talk about what you learnt, what skills you took away from it, how it helped make your decision to choose a medical career path.