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| Student Experience | Accommodation | Do most students stay in uni accommodation after their first year or do they go for private accommodation? what are the advantages and disadvantages of each? | We have limited University accommodation so can only offer this to first year students. Second year students will be expected to move to private accommodation |
| Student Experience | Assessments | I have a few questions regarding how we would be assessed as a student on the course: do we get access to past paper questions + answers? Are there mock exams? Also, is there study leave before exams? Thank you | There is study leave (Revision) time in the curriculum. The SU and societies also help run mocks. You will also take lots of practice assessments before your final year assessments. (I have a few questions regarding how we would be assessed as a student on the course: do we get access to past paper questions + answers? Are there mock exams? Also, is there study leave before exams? Thank you) |
| Student Experience | Campus life | Where are medical students based in Imperial? | Medicine College campuses are based mostly between South Kensington, Charing Cross and Hammersmith hospital. However, students could visit our college locations during their time at Imperial. For more information about Imperial locations, please see here: https://www.imperial.ac.uk/visit/campuses/ (Where are medical students based in Imperial?) |
| Student Experience | Cricket | Is cricket as part of the sports available to play? | Yes, Imperial have so many different clubs and societies to get involved in! The School of Medicine also have their own sport clubs which are tailored more towards our timetable! |
| Student Experience | Finances | How do you manage to afford to live? as the university is in one of the most expensive areas of London and you would either have to get very expensive accommodation near there or travel a long way to uni? | Studying in London can be expensive however Imperial has one of the best bursaries offers – which is up to £5,000 a year. Also, for students on the A100 course, the NHS Bursary activates from Year 5 of the course. For home students your tuition fees are paid for by the NHS. Further financial information can be found here and please do let us know if you have further questions! https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/student-life/getting-student-support/undergraduate-student-finance-and-support |
| Student Experience | Finances | How do you budget living in London? is the maintenance loan enough? | You can find the link to budgeting in London here: https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/fees-and-funding/managing-your-money/living-costs/ |
| Student Experience | Finances | How has the school helped you manage finances? | Imperial has one of the best bursaries which really helped me with finances. This bursary is up to £5000 a year, with medics having the option to receive this bursary within a 6-year period. Additionally, the Faculty and Student Union can provide support and advice when it comes to managing finances. I would recommend budgeting as this will help you manage your finances during the year. |

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| Student Experience | Finances | Is it possible to get a part time job whilst studying medicine, would you recommend it? | It is possible to have a part-time job during university (some of my friends do), however, you need ot have good organisational skills so you can balance your academic medicine work too. |
| Student Experience | General | What do you wish you knew before joining Imperial? | Imperial had a reputation when I applied of being very work intense, and people would tell me I'd just be in the library all day! It's totally different to this - yes the work is challenging and you need to dedicate time to studying like anywhere else, but there's so much else to get involved in and the people here are really fun! There's a great mixture of people and we're not always in the library! (Student: what do you wish you knew before joining Imperial?) |
| Student Experience | General | Do you feel isolated from the rest of the university, especially as you are mainly on the Charring Cross Campus I believe? | Personally, I don't feel isolated from the rest of the university because I stayed in accommodation (Kemp Porter) which is very social! Additionally, some of my teaching was at South Kensington campus! However, naturally because we have our own ICSM Student Union, medics are a lot closer. |
| Student Experience | General | What year was your favourite and would you have preferred to have done a traditional course? | I enjoyed all my years at medical school and each year was very unique. Personally I enjoyed my 3rd year of medical school the most as the year was clinically based and we got to spend a lot of time at hospital exploring the different specialities. It was the year which really ignited my love for medicine and realised that this is what I want to do for the rest of my life. Looking back at my time at imperial, these 6 years went by so quickly and there were lots of ups and downs, however having reached the finish line it definitely was worth it and I can't imagine having enjoyed another course as much as this one. |
| Student Experience | General | Are you at an advantage if you do have in person shadowing experience ? | This year, it will be very difficult for everyone to get in person shadowing experience and the admissions team is very understanding of this. No one will be at a disadvantage for not being able to get in-person experience. As long as your application shows you understand what working as a doctor and in the NHS entails, and you're clear what interests and motivates you, you wouldn't be preferred if you got in-person or virtual experience. |
| Student Experience | Graduate entry | For graduate students, what is the common grade required when giving out an offer? | Our Graduate Medicine degree (UCAS code A109) has been suspended and we are not sure when the course will reopen or what the entry requirements may be when it does so. Any updates will be posted on the course webpage. Graduates may be considered for the full 6-year MBBS (including the BSc year) but must meet the entry criteria of that course (i.e. A-Levels or equivalent) with no concessions. Your degree studies would not form part of our assessment of your academic suitability for the course.(For graduate students, what is the common grade required when giving out an offer?) |
| Student Experience | How to prepare | Is there such thing as over-revision for the BMAT? | Don't pay for expensive courses. I would say that if you have a go at the past papers provided by the BMAT website and read the revision guide thoroughly that would be good enough revision. |

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| Student Experience | ICSMSU | How is a student union different from any other societies? | The Student Union is a great committee to get involved in. It represents and advocates for medical students to the rest of the Faculty of Medicine. It oversees student led academic support, welfare support, clubs and societies and events for students. They also run campaigns throughout the year and meet regularly to discuss student needs to feedback to the faculty. It's much larger scale and works closer to staff than other societies. |
| Student Experience | International students | How did you find settling in when coming from far? | Settling in when coming from far was made so much easier by Imperial! Imperial is an extremely international university and it doesn't take long before you find people from your home country. Not only is there probably a society from your culture but your course you will also have so many people from your home country. It is great being surrounded by so many international people as they can also empathise with the struggles of living further from home. Also, London is a place full of diversity and culture, if you're ever missing food from home you can quickly find a restaurant serving your favourite meal. There is no better city to be as an International because most people living in London at the moment aren't actually from here. What makes the support at Imperial even better is that we have a great welfare team. You can go to them for anything that you need but also with specific concerns about being an international student. Throughout the pandemic, it was even more difficult to be an international student but they continuously provided me with information, e-mails and support that made it very easy for me. In general, Imperial is extremely understanding of the unique struggles associated with living from home. |
| Student Experience | International students | For students from other countries, that want to attend the university, how will it affect them (mentally and physically)? will they be able to adapt to the environment easily? | We have a great number of international students studying at Imperial, from all backgrounds and countries and with the vast number of clubs and societies the university has to offer, I am sure you will be accommodated for and will be able to make a smooth transition here |
| Student Experience | Living | Do you have recommendations for living areas in London? | In your first year, you can apply to live in halls of residence which are available across several locations in London. These are all placed in areas easily accessible to campus, so they're a good place to start when you're first getting used to living in London. In later years, lots of medical students choose to live in the Hammersmith/Barons Court/Fulham/West Kensington area. Some students also live in South Kensington. You'll find a range of properties for different prices, and everyone finds something to meet their budget. |

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| Student Experience | Living | Do you have to travel a lot between accommodation and lectures/placements? | I'm currently at Kemp Porter Accommodation (in North Acton). Due to the pandemic, I didn't need to travel in as much. Although travel is seen as a negative due to the costs, I found travelling to be a positive because I was able to socialise while travelling! |
| Student Experience | Living | If you live in the halls of residence that are further away from the main campus, what is it like to commute everyday? Is it easy? | I lived at Woodward Buildings in my first year in North Acton and commuted to South Kensington every day for lectures. My commute was roughly 50 minutes, which sounds crazy at first, but it was actually completely fine. It was fun commuting from Woodward because you see all the other medics on the tube, so it becomes very socialable. You also get in the routine fo it very quickly, so you don't notice the time so much. I had so much fun at Woodward and made some of my best friends there - don't let the distance put you off! |
| Student Experience | Living | How do i open a bank account? | Lots of banks offer student bank accounts, which often come with incentives such as a free railcard or gift vouchers etc. I'd recommend googling different banks and comparing their student accounts. They're all largely similar, and it's very easy to open one. Get in touch with them and they'll be best to advice you! |
| Student Experience | Living | Can you live at home and make friends and enjoy student life? | I lived at home for the entirety of the course. Personally I would say that experiencing living out either as a fresher or together with friends in your second year, although daunting, may give you useful skills later in life. However in terms of student experinece and being able to make friends it is not hard at all. Just make some friends from the different halls and join a couple of societies and you will be fine. Many students live at home and you save a lot of money which would've gone into rent otherwise which is a massive plus point (and mum's food). |
| Student Experience | London | What is it like in London? Is it expensive/ feel quite detached? | Studying in London can be expensive however Imperial has one of the best bursaries offers – which is up to £5,000 a year. Also, for students on the A100 course, the NHS Bursary activates from Year 5 of the course. For home students your tuition fees are paid for by the NHS. Further financial information can be found here and please do let us know if you have further questions! https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/student-life/getting-student-support/undergraduate-student-finance-and-support |
| Student Experience | Music | What extra-curricular music opportunities do you have, and is it possible to be involved in these alongside the medical course? | ICSMSU have their own Music Medics society, which is absolutely amazing! It's by far my favourite society! You definitely get time to continue your musical hobbies alongside studying medicine as the rehearsals are during the evenings! As a society, we are very relaxed so we completely understand if there are weeks where you are busy (especially during exam season). We just had an ICSM Music concert on Saturday so we are a very active, supportive and friendly society! |

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| Student Experience | Placements | Is it reasonable to commute 1-2 hours each day? | Commuting distances vary depending on clinical placements. Students will alternate having nearby and further away placements so it's fair for everyone. I'm living in Hammersmith and have never had to commute more than an hour. It's important to factor in enough time into your day for private study as well as relaxing and socialising - as well as getting enough sleep, so these are important points to take into account if you're looking to commute more than one hour.(Is it reasonable to commute 1-2 hours each day?) |
| Student Experience | Placements | What is the competition like when applying for a clinical placement? and do some people need to travel far for a placement? | We don't apply for our clinical placements, they're requirements of the course and all students are allocated a variety of placements over the 6 years without competition. Placements vary in commuting times, however students are rotated between close and further away placements so it's fair for everyone. I've never had to commute more than one hour for a placement. |
| Student Experience | Placements | What hospitals are students placed at during their clinical years - what DGHs that imperial are linked to during years 3, 5 and 6? what are imperial's central hospitals? | <p>Your clinical placements are central allocated by your year curriculum officer. Adjustments are made for health conditions or restrictions noted by a college support service.</p> <p>Your clinical placements tend to take place around Central West and Northwest London. You can expect to complete attachments at the below list of teaching hospitals, provided as a guide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Chelsea and Westminster Hospital •London Northwest Healthcare NHS Trust – Ealing Hospital •Hillingdon Hospital NHS Trust •Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust – Charing Cross, Hammersmith, St Mary's, and Western Eye Hospitals •London Northwest Healthcare NHS Trust – Northwick Park •Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Trust •West Middlesex University Hospital <p>You will also under healthcare placements within the community throughout the course. (what hospitals are students placed at during their clinical years - what DGHs that imperial are linked to during years 3, 5 and 6? what are imperial's central hospitals?)</p> |

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| Student Experience | Preparation | Is there anything extra I can do during sixth form to increase my chance of application? | My advice for this question would be to make sure you really understand what working as a doctor and in the healthcare profession is like and be clear what it is that interests you about it before applying - this is what they'll be looking for in your application. It is difficult to get work experience this year, but talk to people you know who work in the NHS, people you know who have long term health conditions or anyone from your school who now studies Medicine. There's lots of TV shows like 24 Hours in A&E and GPs Behind Closed Doors, as well as books you can read or podcasts you can listen to to give you an insight too. I'd say only do things that interest you, not things that you think will look impressive. |
| Student Experience | Preparation | Are there specific articles or books that you recommend for potential applicants? | I'd say it's important to only read articles and books you are genuinely interested in first of all. Don't bore yourself with something only to put it on your application, and then be quizzed about it at interview! I really like When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi and would recommend reading that if you're interested. |
| Student Experience | Programme | How many years before being a doctor? | Hi, the A100 course is six years long, divided into three phases. Once you graduate, you'll be a junior (foundation) doctor for two years before you can apply to be a specialty doctor. Essentially though, you'll be a doctor once you finish the six years. |
| Student Experience | Programme | How would you describe the workload? | Whether you study Medicine, the workload is going to be a step up from what you'll have been used to in school. Having said this, I've found the workload very manageable and you soon get used to it. If you are proficient at managing your time, it is very possible to stay on top of your work and still have lots of time to go out and enjoy London! I would'nt say the workload at Imperial is worse than what you'd find at other medical schools. |
| Student Experience | Programme | Is the medicine course more practical/clinical or is it more lecture based? | Throughout the course, you'll have teaching in academic and clinical medicine, with different years putting more emphasis on each. For example in your first two years, you'll have many lectures teaching you the fundamentals of medicine, and then in your third year you'll be free on the wards! It's important to have a sound understanding of both and the course prepares you for that. |

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| Student Experience | Programme | As students do you have access to facilities to practice your clinical skills and things? Also, do you have opportunity to practice anatomy outside of class? | The best place to practise clinical skills is with real patients you meet on placements, it's also the best way to build confidence. We have clinical skills labs where you'll have clinical skill teaching, however students must always be supervised by a member of staff in those areas. Before my OSCE, our clinical skills tutor was fantastic and organised extra practise sessions for us there with him. In terms of anatomy, you can hire skeletons to practise in your own time. There's also online software and applications that teach anatomy and very interactive. I found Complete Anatomy by Elsevier a great way to revise anatomy at home. |
| Student Experience | Programme | How much time do you spend on work everyday? On average how much sleep do you get everyday? | How much time I spend studying does depend on the time of year - I do spend more hours a day studying around exam season. However, you should never prioritise studying over looking after yourself, such as sleeping, exercising, eating well and seeing friends. I always make sure I get at least 8 hours sleep and have naps when I want them! Typically I'd work 9-5 with lots of study breaks, and let myself relax in the evenings or go out and enjoy London. It's very manageable to succeed in medical school and still have a healthy, balanced life - otherwise you risk burning yourself out. |
| Student Experience | Programme | Are lectures compulsory or are you able to watch them later on recorded? | Some lectures are compulsory, however not all are. Of course, you'll get the most out of your course and ultimately do better in exams if you stay up to date with lectures. Many lectures are recorded for us to revisit for clarification and revision, or if you can't make it to a lecture. |
| Student Experience | Programme | what is a normal day for a medical student? (e.g. timings and classes) | For 1st and 2nd year medic it will be a combination of lectures, tutorial, small group teaching, labs and independent study. Usually it is a 9-4pm week (wednesday afternoon's off for sports/ personal time). 3rd year onwards when one is predominantly in hospital you will follow the teams schedule (can be 8-4pm, sometimes working late shifts) |
| Student Experience | Programme | What are the class sizes like? Do they vary from lecture halls to small group practicals? | If it's a lecture then the entire cohort (around 300 students) would attend, however if it is lab work it can be a group of 30 and as small as 6 in small group teaching and tutorials |
| Student Experience | Revision | What are your tips to revise efficiently? | You will find a way that works for you in the first year of your study with lots of trial and error. However, as a general rule it may be a good idea to flick through the slides before the lecture and make some notes after the lecture whilst it is still fresh in your mind. Spaced repetition learning accompanied with lots of practice questions worked well for people. |

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| Student Experience | Rugby | What is the situation like with rugby, such as pitch location, training, etc.? | Training is very convenient for IMRFC, as they currently train adjacent to Charing Cross Campus in Lillie Park. Their home ground is just a 20 minute drive to Harlington Sports Ground, where a free minibus is provided to bring you to and from matches. The club holds weekly training and conditioning sessions and the boys are currently in preseason camp. They celebrate their wins every week at sports night, where all sports teams meet in Reynolds Bar. If you have any further questions, please feel free to get in touch with them on social media. Their instagram is @imrfc :) |
| Student Experience | Science | How do you think imperial being mainly science based affects you? is it limiting because of how everyone has similar interests or is it interesting to discuss with all these people | I wondered exactly the same question when I was applying, and even worried I wouldn't find friends with similar interests to me outside medicine. However, I was proved completely wrong when I got here. Yes, we all love medicine but everyone in my year group is so different and there's so much diversity in interests, more so than school. It's really cool to share your love for science with friends and be able to learn about so many different cultures, hobbies and experiences people have had at the same time. |
| Student Experience | Social life | How is social life in ICSM? | Social life at ICSM is amazing! There are so many societies to get involved in, which is a great way to meet new people! Additionally, the ICSM student union tend to organise events during the year! Having free time within our timetables helps with this too! |
| Student Experience | Social life | Are there any societies at imperial? what type of societies are there? are there any non-stem societies? | Please see https://www.imperialcollegeunion.org/activities/a-to-z for more information about societies. |
| Student Experience | Social life | How does a medical student manage their time so well that they have time to participate in extra-curricular activities? | It's very manageable to stay up to date with studies and still participate in extra-curricular activities. We have Wednesday afternoons off every week as dedicated time to do this. I'd recommend staying up to date with lectures, looking after yourself well so you're getting enough sleep and eating well etc, and you'll find you have more than enough time to do what you want. |
| Student Experience | Social life | Is Imperial sociable? Did you find it easy to make friends? | I am going into my fifth year and I have made so many friends over the last four years. Like the students on the panel have said, once you join the School of Medicine it's a community and everyone is so friendly and helpful to help you settle in! |
| Student Experience | Support | How do you think the university has helped support you in the pandemic | We receive very frequent updates (weekly) from College updating us on the status of COVID, as well as news from College. We've all got personal tutors who we can turn to for support whenever we need, and an excellent pastoral team. There's always someone there. For students who have suffered financially during the pandemic, there's also been a student hardship fund developed as well as many other options for financial support. I've felt supported throughout |

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| Student Experience | Support | How do you deal with imposter syndrome? | Imposter syndrome is something I experienced when starting clinical placements for the first time, I think it's very common for medical students. However, once you get talking to the doctors and other staff on placements, you realise everyone wants you to feel welcome. Lots of doctors love teaching and will organise tutorials for you, which is a nice way to catch up your knowledge on their specialty and get to know them too. I also found it useful to get myself stuck in with the team from as early as possible, so I didn't feel as if I was just following people around all day. You can offer to take patients' bloods in the mornings or write up patients' notes for example to feel like part of the team. |
| Student Experience | Support | How does the well-being support group help students on an individual level? Could you give an example of how exactly they help students who are struggling? | Welfare Chair for the Student Union this year. Imperial School of Medicine offers so much support in terms of wellbeing from student representatives (like me), to dedicated staff such as the School of Medicine Welfare Team and the Senior Tutors to ensure that appropriate additional wellbeing/welfare support is offered, including the option to apply for mitigating circumstances should you need it. The main message to take away is that Imperial know that sometimes things happen in life that can affect your health and wellbeing and you may need extra support which can be provided by the welfare team, ranging from financial help to counselling. I hope this helps and please do get in touch if you have further questions. |
| Student Experience | Support | Are students able to go to their professors or tutors when they don't understand something? | After each lecture the lecturers usually stay for a couple of minutes to answer any questions the students have. Furthermore, if needed you can email them to clarify certain things during your revision. The lecturers are very friendly and approachable. |
| Student Experience | Tips | Do you have any tips on reflection? | My biggest tip for the application process would be don't be too hard on yourself. Applying for medicine is a long journey, and along the way it's likely you'll make mistakes, have interviews that could have gone better and get rejections. I applied to all very competitive universities and was very disheartened when I got rejections. However, it's important to remind yourself these courses receive thousands of applicants and rejections don't always reflect badly on you. Keep your head up, you'll definitely get there and try to enjoy the application process! Even though I got rejections, I'm so happy I ended up at Imperial and am having an even better time than I imagined. |

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| Student Experience | Transition | What is the transition like from A levels to university? | You get a quick recap of the essential A-level content as well as further reading in your first couple of weeks of your course, however the transition is quite big, as you need to become more of an independent learner. Furthermore unlike A-levels where 1 book or resource sufficed, at university you will have to read multiple sources to get the answer. Although the content is volumous, everyone is in the same boat and your first year teaches you how to study effectively and what works for you |
| Student Experience | Volunteering Society | Could you detail what the volunteering society does? | Our main volunteering society is called Raising and Giving (RAG), however there's so many other societies that volunteer in different areas! RAG organises events throughout the year to raise money for charity, such as formal balls, a fashion show (my favourite!) and the infamous Circle Line. There's events for drinkers and non-drinkers. Another volunteering society that I love is called Teddy Bear Hospital, you can volunteer to teach children about what doctors do and what it's like being in hospital. I'd recommend looking on the Imperial College London Student Union website to find out about all of the volunteering oppotunities - there's loads! |
| Student Experience | Why Imperial | Is there a community feel? | I would say my favourite thing about Imperial is the community feel! Everyone is so friendly and supportive so it really feels like a family! With regards to studying, I would say the structure of the course and the support from the faculty! |
| Student Experience | Why Imperial | Why did you chose imperial over other universities? | I really loved the course that Imperial offered and thought it was a great mixture of clinical and academic medicine. There are oppotunities for research too if it's something you're interested in. I wanted to live in a city, and it's really fun being a student in London! Everyone was really friendly at the open day, and I'm so happy to be at Imperial now! I've never looked back or wished I applied elsewhere |
| Student Experience | Why Imperial | What made Imperial stand out when you were applying? | here were a couple of things that made Imperial stand out for me: 1. Teaching style (mixture between small and large group teaching with expert staff) 2. Course structure (course separated into body systems e.g. cardio, resp etc.; course includes teaching on lifestyle medicine, communication and research skills) 3. Early clinical exposure 4. Research oppotunities 5. Location (in London with the best hospitals, which is good for clinical experience) 6. Many societies to get involved in |
| Student Experience | Why Imperial | What's your favourite thing about Imperial and studying medicine here? | I would say my favourite thing about Imperial is the community feel! Everyone is so friendly and supportive so it really feels like a family! With regards to studying, I would say the structure of the course and the support from the faculty! |

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| Student Experience | Why Imperial | What do think sets imperial apart from other london unis? | Amongst many other factors, Imperial College London is consistently rated in the top-five UK universities and in the top-ten worldwide and holds a worldwide reputation. More information can be found here: https://www.imperial.ac.uk/study/pg/why-imperial/reputation-and-rankings/ (what do think sets imperial apart from other london unis?) |
| Student Experience | Why Imperial | Why should I study medicine at Imperial? | Personally I feel that you become part of a family when you study at imperial, with older year students wanting to teach you and faculty listening to your concerns. Furthermore, if one is interested in research imperial offers many opportunities and the lecturers are at the forefront of their respective specialities. The North west london deanery is the most competitive deanery to get into and all your clinical years will be based in those hospitals. Finally there are so many clubs and society's one is able to join at imperial so there is something for everyone. (Also financial support is amazing at imperial) |
| Student Experience | Year 1 | Student - can you describe a "typical" week (Yr 1)? Mix of lectures, lab, tutorials etc. | Yes, for 1st year, you will have a mix of lectures, small-group tutorials, practical sessions, prosection anatomy sessions and clinical sessions. |