



Medical Doctoral Program: Admissions Changes

The College of Medicine has made changes to its medical doctoral (MD) program admissions process. The changes will start in the 2022 application cycle (beginning in August 2022) for entry in the 2023-24 academic year. (*Please note: The Indigenous studies prerequisite begins in 2024*.)

What are the changes?



Submission of short personal statements



Participation in a panel interview



Minimum entrance average of 80%



Saskatchewan connectedness



Indigenous Admissions Circle



Diversity and Social Accountability Admissions Program opt-out survey

Starting in 2024:



Indigenous studies prerequisite

What admissions requirements will remain the same?

Applicants must have a four-year undergraduate degree. Existing admissions requirements such as the MCAT, CASPer and multiple mini interviews (MMI) will continue.

Will seats be reserved specifically for Saskatchewan residents?

Our goal is to bring students into the College that have a greater chance of practicing in the province after their medical studies and this will be determined through a context scoring method looking at multiple factors instead of our traditional residency definition. The prior definition of a Saskatchewan resident no longer exists and the Admissions Committee will instead assess an applicant's connectedness to Saskatchewan (or Yukon, Nunavut, and Northwest Territories) and rural communities through a Saskatchewan connectedness index derived by their personal and historical connections to the province. Visit the college's website for details.

What is the Indigenous Admissions Circle?

The Indigenous Admissions Circle is a subcommittee of the Admissions Committee with significant representation from the Indigenous community. The goal of the circle is to assess Indigenous applicants for admission to the MD program through an Indigenous and cultural lens. Visit the college's website for details.

What is the DSAAP opt-out questionnaire?

The Diversity and Social Accountability Admissions Program (DSAAP) considers socioeconomic and other systemic barriers to achieve admission to medical school and takes these factors into account. Applicants have the opportunity to complete a completely confidential and voluntary questionnaire that will assess these barriers. Six seats will be allocated to the DSAAP, which will be informed by the completed questionnaire.

Please review the Applicant Information document for specific admissions requirements and policies at medicine.usask.ca/admission-to-the-md-program/how-to-apply.php

For information on the MD program, visit: medicine.usask.ca/programs/undergraduate-md.php