



Program Planning Enclosure

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Calendar Year: 2010/2011

Faculty: Arts & Science (U of L)

Students with an academic objective of Medicine (Calgary) are generally admitted to a B.Sc. program at the University of Lethbridge with a major of the student's choice. Majors in Agricultural Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences and Neuroscience are strongly recommended. Admission to the Faculty of Medicine is not restricted to students who have completed a B.Sc., but registration access to recommended courses is driven by choice of major.

Most successful applicants to the University of Calgary program will have completed a baccalaureate degree before admission. However, to be considered for admission, prospective applicants must have completed a minimum of two full years of university courses.

The Faculty of Medicine recommends that necessary background preparation ordinarily includes 6.0 credit hours courses in each of the following:

- * Biochemistry
- Calculus or Statistics
- English
- General Biology
- General Chemistry
- Mammalian Physiology or Comparative Physiology
- Organic Chemistry
- Physics
- Psychology or Sociology or Anthropology

** Biochemistry 2300 is not considered appropriate background preparation in biochemistry.*

The Faculty of Medicine recommends that 3.0 credit hours in the following be included:

- Calculus or Statistics
- Psychology or Sociology or Anthropology

Completion of the recommended courses does not guarantee admission.

For assistance in selecting courses and planning their timetables, students should consult Arts and Science Student Program Services (SU060; tel. 403-329-5106).

Note to International Students: *Only Canadian citizens and Landed Immigrants will be considered for admission to the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Calgary.*

Application Information for the Faculty of Medicine:

Admission is based on the following criteria:

1. Grade Point Average (best two years of full-time study):
 - minimum 3.20 for Alberta Residents
 - minimum 3.60 for Canadian Citizens and Landed Immigrants residing outside Alberta
 - the entire post-secondary record of those Albertans who meet the cut-off will be considered. Non-Albertans should refer to the information brochure on the UofC website for the policy relating to out-of-province applicants.

Official transcripts (indicating previous grades and current registration) must be sent directly from the issuing institution to the Faculty of Medicine, and must be received by October 15. Final transcripts must be received by no later than June 30.

2. Medical College Admission Test (MCAT): Applicants must write the MCAT by September of the year prior to that for which admission is sought. Scores must be released to the Admissions Office.
3. Letters of Reference: Three letters of reference must be submitted electronically. For details, see the Faculty of Medicine website.
4. Autobiographical Narrative: Details about employment history and extracurricular activities are required.
5. Personal Interview: Approximately 576 of 1800 applicants receive invitations for an interview. About half of the candidates interviewed will be offered admission to the program.

Candidates attend the interview (at their own expense) held at the University of Calgary in February or March. The interview (conducted in Multiple Mini Interview format) is instrumental in the assessment of non-academic qualifications. The Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) consists of nine verbal stations and two written stations. For information on the MMI, please refer to the UofC Faculty of Medicine website.

6. Essays: Two essays will be written on the day of the MMI (see requirement 5 above).

Application Procedure:

For details, see the Office of Admissions website (www.medicine.ucalgary.ca/undergrad/ume/admissions).

All transcripts, reference letters, MCAT scores, application fees, and the application itself must be submitted by October 15 of the year prior to that for which admission is sought.

Contact Information:

Students who are interested in Medicine at the University of Calgary are urged to consult with Student Program Services (SU060; tel. 403-329-5106; email: artsci.advising@uleth.ca). Direct consultation with the University of Calgary is recommended.

Students should consult the Faculty of Medicine if concerned about:

- the pros and cons of repeating a course;
- how 'D' grades are treated in the admission GPA; and,
- how Cr/NC and P/F courses are treated.

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