



Program Planning Enclosure

Calendar Year: 2015/2016

Faculty: Arts & Science (U of L)

Current and past Program Planning Guides are available on the UofL website at www.uleth.ca/ross/ppgs/ppg.html

Medicine (University of Alberta)

Students with an academic objective of Medicine at the University of Alberta are admitted to the B.Sc. program with a major in Agricultural Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, or Neuroscience. Please refer to the appropriate Program Planning Guide for a sample sequence of courses:

Academic Requirements for Admission

The minimum requirement for admission to the MD program is the satisfactory completion of 60 credits of transferable postsecondary work, of which 30 credits must be taken during one academic year (fall/spring). Most students admitted to the MD program have completed 4 or more years of post-secondary.

No degree is preferred and no specific courses are required for application or acceptance to the MD program at the University of Alberta. Applicants should consider taking as many of the courses listed below as their schedules allow, as the content of these courses will be helpful when writing the MCAT and during the MD program. Whether or not an applicant has taken these courses at the time of application will not be taken into consideration.

Suggested courses:

- Biology
- Organic and Inorganic Chemistry
- Physics
- English
- Biochemistry
- Physiology
- Statistics or Calculus

Choice of Major:

Students with an academic objective of Medicine (UofA) are admitted to the B.Sc. program with a major in Agricultural Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, or Neuroscience. The choice of major does not affect a student's eligibility for admission to the Faculty of Medicine (UofA) but does affect registration priority for courses at the U of L. After completion of a year or two, students may elect to change majors and complete another degree program. Students considering a change of major should consult an Academic Advisor.

Application Information for the Faculty of Medicine:

The Faculty of Medicine stresses that, although students may be eligible for admission after two full years of study, most successful applicants are admitted after the completion of an undergraduate degree. Applications from degree holders are considered first. Some Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) courses may meet prerequisite requirements for admission. CGEP courses may not fulfill the prerequisite requirements. Contact the Faculty of Medicine for advice if you have AP, IB, or CGEP courses. The Faculty of Medicine does not accept international students. For information about the B.A. or B.Sc. after transfer to a professional faculty (Medicine), see the 2015/2016 University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 7, Section 20, p. 149, and consult with Arts and Science Student Program Services (SU060; tel. 403-329-5106).

Admission is based on the following criteria:

1. **Academic Average:** This will be based on all academic study done while registered as a full-time student (18.0 credit hours in a Fall/Spring sequence). The minimum requirement for admission to the M.D. program is the satisfactory completion of 60.0 credit hours of university work, of which 30.0 credit hours must be completed during one Fall/Spring academic year. A minimum GPA of 3.70 must be presented to be eligible after only two or three years of study.
For applicants who have completed four or more years of university, the cumulative GPA is calculated with the deletion of the lowest year GPA, provided it is not the most recent completed year, or the one and only year where 30.0 credit hours have been completed. The minimum cumulative GPA requirement for applicants with four or more years of post-secondary transferable course work is 3.30 for Alberta residents.
2. **Medical College Admission Test (MCAT):** The MCAT may be written more than once. Only the best score achieved will be used for admission purposes.
All students must write the MCAT no later than the September prior to the October application deadline. The results must be received by the Faculty of Medicine by October 1, and the results must not be more than five years old from the application deadline.
3. **Personal Activities and References:** See the UofA website for details.
4. **Interview:** Applicants under serious consideration will be offered an interview.

Application Procedure:

Application must be made online at www.registrar.ualberta.ca. The application must be received by October 1 of the year prior to that for which admission is sought. All applicants must submit official transcripts at the time of application. Transcripts (two copies) for undergraduate applicants, showing completed work (Fall) and current course registration (Spring), must be submitted by February 1. Final transcripts for undergraduate applicants must be submitted by June 15.

General Information:

Students should contact the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry if concerned about:

- The treatment of 'D' grades in the admission GPA; and,
- The treatment of Cr/NC or P/F courses.

Students interested in Medicine at the University of Alberta are urged to consult with Student Program Services (SU060; tel. 403-329-5106; email: artsci.advising@uleth.ca). Direct consultation with the University of Alberta is strongly recommended because regulations may be amended without notice.

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