

UCAT 2026

Common questions about UCAT answered by MedEntry, the leading and trusted UCAT Preparation Institution



What is UCAT?

UCAT stands for University Clinical Aptitude Test. To enter most medical and dental schools in Australia, you will need to succeed in the UCAT. The UCAT is a two hour computer based test consisting of multiple-choice questions and is divided into four separately timed subtests: Verbal Reasoning, Decision Making, Quantitative Reasoning and Situational Judgement.

What courses require UCAT?

State	University	Course(s)	
NSW	Western Sydney	Medicine	
	Newcastle/UNE	Medicine	
	Charles Sturt	Medicine and Dental Science	
	UNSW	Medicine	
	Notre Dame (Syd)	Medicine (Assured Pathway)	
	Vic	Monash Uni	Medicine
		QLD	UQ
	Griffith Uni		Dental Science
			Medical Science/Medicine (tie-breaker)
	CQU		Medical Science/Medicine
SA	USQ	Biomedical Science/Medicine	
	USC	Medical Science/Medicine	
	QUT	Medicine (For 2028 Entry)	
	Uni of Adelaide	Medicine, Dentistry, Oral Health	
	Flinders Uni	Clinical Sciences/Medicine	
WA	Curtin Uni	Medicine	
	UWA	Medicine and Dentistry (prov. entry)	
	Notre Dame (WA)	Medicine (Assured Pathway)	
Tas	UTas	Medicine	
	NZ	Auckland	Medicine
Otago		Medicine	

What are the key dates for UCAT 2026?

Bookings open	3 March 2026
Bookings close	15 May 2026
Testing begins	1 July 2026
Last testing date	5 August 2026
Results delivered to universities	Early September 2026
Uni application deadline	September 2026
Cost (for test taken in Aus)	\$335

How can I register to sit UCAT?

You are required to complete a two-step process using the Pearson VUE online registration system to register and then book a test. Further details are available at www.ucat.edu.au

You can sit UCAT in your final year of high school and any year thereafter.

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or call 1300 MEDENTRY

Do I need to prepare for UCAT?

Yes! The UCAT is a skills based test which is completely different to any other test you have sat at school. It is a very difficult, time pressured exam and quality preparation is therefore essential. Even students who obtain a perfect ATAR can miss out on a place in medicine due to poor UCAT scores. For some universities, UCAT is as important or more important than your ATAR. UCAT preparation will also help with your school study as it enhances your thinking and test-taking skills.

Aren't free UCAT resources sufficient?

No! Universities do not want you to undertake quality additional preparation, because they want a level playing field. Unfortunately, this does not exist. Informed and motivated students will always prepare for UCAT, and MedEntry provides premium UCAT resources to assist.

What UCAT score do I need to get into medicine?

The UCAT score that you need to get into medical or dental school depends on the university to which you are applying. In general, for non-rural students, a UCAT percentile of *at least* 90 will usually secure you a medical interview offer. This may not seem high, but remember you are competing against a much tougher cohort than at school/uni.

Where can I get more information about UCAT?

Please visit www.MedEntry.edu.au for a free trial exam, free UCAT handbook, blogs about UCAT and to enrol in one of our UCAT preparation packages. You can also call us on 1300 MEDENTRY. Follow MedEntry on social media for UCAT tips and updates!

Why MedEntry?

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