

UCAT 2021

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 medical school 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 five separately timed subtests: Verbal Reasoning, Decision Making, Quantitative Reasoning, Abstract Reasoning and Situational Judgement.

What courses require UCAT?

State	University	Course(s)
NSW	UNSW	Medicine
	Newcastle/UNE	Medicine
	Western Sydney	Medicine
Vic	Charles Sturt	Medicine and Dental Science
	Monash Uni	Medicine
QLD	La Trobe Uni	Dental Science
	UQ	Medicine (prov. entry) Dental Science
SA	Uni of Adelaide	Medicine, Dentistry, Oral Health
WA	Flinders Uni	Clinical Sciences/Medicine
	UWA	Medicine and Dentistry (direct pathway)
Tas	Curtin Uni	Medicine
	UTas	Medicine
NT	Charles Darwin	Clinical Sciences/Medicine
NZ	Auckland	Medicine
	Otago	Medicine, Dental Surgery

What are the key dates for UCAT 2021?

Registration & booking opens	March 2021*
Registration & booking closes	May 2021*
Testing begins	1 July 2021
Last testing date	31 July 2021
Results delivered to universities	Early September 2021
Uni application deadline	September 2021

*Exact date yet to be confirmed

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. The cost to sit UCAT in Australia is \$299.

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 courses, 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. Further, free resources often do not accurately simulate the live UCAT questions.

What UCAT score do I need to get into medicine?

The UCAT score that you need to get into medicine or other health science courses depends on the university to which you are applying. In general for non-rural candidates, a UCAT percentile of *at least* 85 is usually required to secure 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 medical entry 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!

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