









# INDIGENOUS APPLICANTS TO THE DOCTOR OF MEDICINE PROGRAM

Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University

# WHY CHOOSE SCHULICH MEDICINE:

- Schulich Medicine & Dentistry is committed to making a difference in the health of Indigenous People in Canada;
- Learner Experience Office is dedicated to supporting your personal and professional needs;
- Consideration is given to applicants who self-identify on their application that they are from an Indigenous community;
- Two campuses, one curriculum: London and Windsor, Ontario;
- Western offers dedicated and culturally responsive programs, services and spaces to foster and support Indigenous student culture, including a new Indigenous Learning Space for teaching, learning and gathering.

# KEY FEATURES OF THE MD PROGRAM

- Renewed curriculum offering regular and in-the-moment assessments to ensure skills and competencies are mastered
- MD+ enables students to graduate with an MD and a graduate diploma or degree;
- Early hands-on clinical training modelled in patient-centred care;
- Medical training opportunities in more than 60 local communities;
- Summer research training programs;
- Invested in fostering your success for licensing exams, residency matching and future careers.

2021-2022 ADMISSION CYCLE

2719
APPLICANTS

448 171 CLASS SIZE

133

38 WINDSOR

DESIGNATED SEATS
RESERVED FOR
INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

FIRST-YEAR
TUITION & ANCILLARY FEES

\$25,528

FINANCIAL AID FOR ALL FOUR YEARS

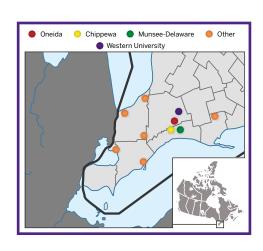
\$5.1 MILLION SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES

60 SCHULICH SCHOLARSHIPS \$28,000 PER YEAR

## **ACKNOWLEDGING TERRITORY**

We acknowledge the Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak and Chonnonton Nations, whose traditional territories are where this resource was produced.

We also acknowledge that Western University is located on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum. This land continues to be home to diverse Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) whom we recognize as contemporary stewards of the land and vital contributors of our society.



## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

### APPLICATION TIMELINE 2022 - 2023

#### **JULY 5. 2022**

Ontario Medical School Application Service (OMSAS) opens

#### **OCTOBER 3, 2022**

(4:30 pm ET) Deadline to submit application to OMSAS

### **DECEMBER 1, 2022**

Confidential assessment forms due

### **MARCH 2023**

Interviews

## MAY 9. 2023

First round offers

\*Only in exceptional circumstances will Indigenous applicants with a GPA of less than 3.30 or MCAT scores below the 50th percentile be considered for a designated seat.

#### **DEGREE**

- Must be in the final year of, or have successfully completed, a four-year undergraduate university degree.
- Degree requirements must be completed by:
  - June 30, 2023 (undergraduate or thesis-based graduate program);
  - August 15, 2023 (course-based graduate program).

### **GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)\***

- Two best years that each meet all of the following:
  - Contain five full or equivalent courses (30 credit hours) completed during the September to April academic year.
  - Contain at least three full or equivalent courses (18 credit hours) at or above the year of study.
- If 2019-2020 is one of your two best undergraduate years, academic average will be calculated on grades from fall 2019 semester only.
- Graduate, summer and repeat courses are not included in the GPA calculation.

# MEDICAL COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST (MCAT)\*

- Must be written within five years prior to the application deadline.
- Only the most recent scores will be used.

# WESTERN ABREVIATED AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

- Outline how your life experiences connect with four Schulich Medicine core values:
  - Respect for diversity, equity and inclusion;
  - Teamwork and leadership;
  - Self-directed learning, problem-solving and critical inquiry;
  - Social accountability and social responsibility.

#### **CONFIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT FORMS**

Completed by three non-family members who can attest to your character, interpersonal skills, and/or academic strengths.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Applicants must self-identify to be considered for one of the five designated seats and must provide all of the following at the time of application:

- A personal statement describing experiences within Indigenous communities.
- Additional letters of support from Indigenous communities or organizations.
- · Confirmation of Indigenous status.

### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants must also:

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of Canada (except for applicants through the International Pathway);
- Demonstrate proficiency in written and spoken English;
- Have the Essential Skills and Abilities Required for Entry to a Medical Degree Program, as outlined by the Council of Ontario Faculties of Medicine.

## HARMONIZING HEALTH PERSPECTIVES

This symbol depicts a model of health known as the Medicine Wheel, recognized by many Indigenous nations particularly those in the Eastern Woodlands region where Schulich Medicine & Dentistry is located.

The figures holding hands signify a community of unique individuals working toward a common goal. The infinity symbols represent the exchange of knowledge and culture, and refer to an original Métis meaning: the joining of distinct cultures. Purple represents Western University, the community in which we learn, grow and teach.



