



Change to Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine in 2023

A new course, the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (BMedScMD) will be introduced in 2023. This new course will replace the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS). The BMedScMD will provide an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level 9 qualification in the same five year course duration as the current MBBS, which is an AQF Level 7 qualification.

Why are we introducing a new version of the course?

The introduction of the BMedScMD aligns the University of Tasmania with most medical course offerings in Australia and meets an increasing demand for medical professionals with research skills training.

What is changing?

The main change is the integration of a substantial project into the course, which will support development of workplace skills in diverse fields including research, leadership, entrepreneurship, health systems change, or professional practice.

How is an AQF Level 9 degree delivered in the same five year course duration as an AQF Level 7 degree?

The duration of the current Medicine Program accommodates delivery of a Level 9 qualification due to the extended teaching calendar of Years 3-5 of the program.

Is the course accredited and internationally recognised?

The new BMedScMD course is approved by the University of Tasmania, accredited by the Australian Medical Council, and registered with the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency.

What degree will current students complete?

Students who commenced study prior to 2023 will remain enrolled in the MBBS. Students who commence study from 2023 will complete the BMedScMD.

Is there support for rural and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to enter the course?

Current rural and Aboriginal access pathways will continue to be supported.

Are the entry requirements changing for school-leavers?

There will be no impact on students who have recently completed school. Undergraduate place allocation and eligibility criteria will not be affected.

What are the entry requirements for graduates?

Graduate entry requirements are changing at the same time as introduction of the BMedScMD. Refer to the **University of Tasmania** website for details.

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