

Chulalongkorn University Announcement on Admission to the Doctor of Medicine (International Program) for the Academic Year 2022

Chulalongkorn University would like to invite qualified applicants to join the Doctor of Medicine (International Program), Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University for the academic year 2022. This document contains the details on the application and the selection processes as follows:

1. Admission Requirements

1.1 General eligibility

- 1.1.1 The applicant must have already graduated with at least a Bachelor's degree or must be in the final year of their current Bachelor's degree and is expected to graduate within 31st July 2022.
- 1.1.2 The applicant must have the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) results, which are only valid if taken **within two years** before the final application date.
- 1.1.3 The applicant must be physically and mentally fit and free of the following medical conditions or disabilities that would be an obstacle to studying or practicing medicine:-
 1. Severe psychiatric disorders which may be harmful to oneself and/or others such as psychotic disorders, mood disorders, personality disorders including antisocial personality disorders or borderline personality disorders, and any other psychiatric disorders that may be an obstacle to studying and practicing medicine;
 2. Communicable diseases, especially in the contagious phase, which may be harmful to oneself and/or patients and may result in permanent disabilities;
 3. Non-communicable diseases or conditions that may present a danger to oneself or patients as follows: -
 - Uncontrolled epilepsy (Epilepsy without seizures for at least three years with certification from a medical professional is considered controlled epilepsy)
 - Severe heart diseases
 - Severe hypertension with complications that cause permanent pathological damage to organs
 - Chronic renal diseases
 - Substance use disorders or dependence;
 4. Visual impairment that hinders the ability to study and practice medicine. Visual acuity is less than 6/12 or 20/40 in the better eye with the use of corrective glasses;
 5. Hearing loss in both ears with inability to distinguish speech (low speech discrimination score) with an average level of hearing frequencies of 500-2000 Hz higher than 40 decibels and ability to distinguish speech of less than 70 percent of the normal level from sensorineural hearing loss that may hinder the ability to study and practice medicine;

6. Any other medical conditions not specified in this document that the health check-up committee feels may hinder the ability to study and practice medicine. In such a case, the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine may appoint a specialist in a specific field to examine further and assess each case.

1.1.4 The applicant must not be previously convicted of any misdemeanor, including instigating or participating in academic falsification of admissions data for the past three years.

1.2 Specific Eligibility

Applicants must meet one of the following criteria: -

1.2.1 General applicants

The applicant must have the results of one of the following English proficiency tests, which are only valid if they were taken **within two years** before the final application date.

TOEFL (Internet-based Test) at least 85 or

IELTS (Academic) at least 7.0 (overall)

1.2.2 Applicants who have graduated with a Bachelor's degree (International program) **within two years or are in their final year** of their current Bachelor's degree from a university accredited by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation with the results of one of the following English proficiency tests.

TOEFL (Internet-based Test) at least 85 or

IELTS (Academic) at least 7.0 (overall)

Applicants can use English proficiency test results previously applied for Bachelor's degree (International program) admission or taken during the Bachelor's degree or after the Bachelor's degree graduation.

1.2.3 Applicants who hold the nationality of one of the following six countries: Australia, Canada, the Republic of Ireland, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America **AND** have earned a Bachelor's degree taught in English from one of the above six countries, can be exempted from taking English proficiency tests. The exemption is based on the nationality in the application.

Chulalongkorn University considers the applicant's nationality based on the application for the entire duration of the Doctor of Medicine (International Program) and reserves the right not to change the applicant's nationality during the selection processes and the study in the Doctor of Medicine (International Program) under any circumstances.

2. Intake number 40 students

3. Timeline for the application process

The details on the application and the selection processes can also be found online at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>.

Application Process		Dates (Thailand Time Zone, GMT+7)
3.1	Submit online application following the steps in Section 4.1 and uploading the documents listed in Section 4.2	Monday 31 st January 2022 to Wednesday 23 rd February 2022 by 13:00
3.2	Pay the application fee	Monday 31 st January 2022 to Wednesday 23 rd February 2022 by 13:00 The Faculty of Medicine reserves the right not to return the application fees under any circumstances.
3.3	Check the applicant's eligibility and/or review completion of submitted documents at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/ In case of any errors or missing documents , an opportunity will be given to correct these at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/	Within five working days after the application fees paid Any corrections must be made within Wednesday 2 nd March 2022 by 13:00
3.4	Announcement on applicants' eligibility for the selection process at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/	Wednesday 9 th March 2022 by 13:00
3.5	Applicants may appeal the decision on eligibility for the selection process if they feel there are grounds to appeal on being wrongly identified as ineligible. An appeal form must be completed at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/	Within Friday 11 th March 2022 by 13:00
3.6	Announcement on applicants' eligibility for an interview and psychological assessment at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/	Monday 21 st March 2022
3.7	Interview and psychological assessment	The 1 st or the 2 nd week of April 2022
3.8	Announcement on the results of successful applicants after the interview (There may or may not be a waiting list.)	Monday 25 th April 2022
3.9	Confirmation of successful applicants at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th April 2022 by 13:00
3.10	Announcement of applicants who accept the offer to study in the program at https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/	Monday 23 rd May 2022
3.11	All successful applicants must be present for health check-ups at the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University.	Within July 2022

Application Process		Dates (Thailand Time Zone, GMT+7)
3.12	All successful applicants are required to sign contracts with the Royal Thai Government at the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University	Within July 2022

Note: This timeline may be adjusted as appropriate. Please follow closely any announcements at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>

4. Application method and required documents

4.1 Steps in the application process

- 4.1.1 Applicants fulfilling the eligibility criteria according to Section 1 must apply at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>. Details must be filled in accordingly and documents uploaded as listed in Section 4.2.1. The application page will be open from **Monday 31st January to Wednesday 23rd February 2022 by 13:00 (GMT+7)**.
- 4.1.2 After filling in the details electronically and uploading the required documents as mentioned in Section 4.2, applicants will be required to check that the information is correct before submitting the application (Further modifications are not allowed after clicking the confirmation of the application). Applicants will receive a personal application code via email.
- 4.1.3 After receiving a personal application code, applicants must pay the application fee of 1,000 Thai baht (transaction fees not included); applicants must complete the payment **within Wednesday 23rd February 2022 at 13:00 (GMT+7)**.
The Faculty of Medicine reserves the right not to return the application fees under any circumstances.
- 4.1.4 In case of not uploading all the necessary evidence and documents stated in Section 4.2.1, please do so **within Wednesday 2nd March 2022 at 13:00 (GMT+7)**.
- 4.1.5 Letters of recommendation (details per Section 4.2.2) must be directly emailed to the program **within Wednesday 2nd March 2022 at 13:00 (GMT+7)**.
- 4.1.6 Applicants will only be eligible for the selection process once they have submitted the application with all the necessary evidence and paid the application fees, and the program has received all the documents stated in Section 4.2 **and checked all that is required in the application. Applicants will be able to check their eligibility status at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>**.

If applicants wish to make any corrections to the application or upload further documents after the application is confirmed, they must re-register and pay the application fees all over again. If applicants register more than once, the most recent application with completed payment will be considered.

4.2 Evidence and documents to be uploaded

4.2.1 Documents to be uploaded via <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>

- 4.2.1.1 Digital photo of the applicant measuring 4 x 5 cm or 1.5 x 2 inches. The photo must display the entire face, which is symmetrical, no smiling, and appropriately dressed. Do not wear a hat or glasses. The background must be white, blue, or light blue. The image must be taken within six months prior to submission. The photo must not be digitally altered to change the person's appearance. It must be in the form of file extension .jpg, with a width of no less than 180 pixels, a height of no less than 200 pixels, and a file size not over 1 MB.
- 4.2.1.2 National identity card (photo side only) or passport photo page for non-Thai nationals. It must be in the form of file extension .jpg, with a width of no less than 500 pixels, a height no less than 350 pixels, and file size no more than 1 MB.
- 4.2.1.3 The academic qualification documents as .pdf file:
- Applicants who have already completed their undergraduate degree are required to upload a transcript showing the results of every semester throughout their previous undergraduate program.
 - Applicants who are still studying in the final year of their degree program are required to upload:
 - A letter issued by the school confirming that the applicant is expected to complete their undergraduate program within 31st July 2022 **and**
 - A transcript showing previous results of every semester throughout the program
- 4.2.1.4 English proficiency test results either TOEFL (Internet-based) **or** IELTS Academic), to be submitted as a .pdf file
- 4.2.1.5 Results of the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) with the verification code to be submitted as a .pdf file
- 4.2.1.6 A statement of purpose outlining an applicant's purpose for choosing this medical program and why you think you are a suitable candidate for the CU-MEDi program. The document must be typed in English with a maximum of two A4 pages using Times New Roman font size 12 single spacing between lines in the form of a .pdf file
- 4.2.1.7 Curriculum Vitae displaying an applicant's education and work experience. Also, any substantial participation in research/academic experience, social contribution, volunteer activities, and personal awards/achievements in the last five years. The document must be typed in English with a maximum of five A4 pages using Times New Roman font size 12, with single spacing between lines, in the form of a .pdf file.
- 4.2.1.8. If candidates have ever had any legal changes in first names or surnames, proof documents must be uploaded as a .pdf file.

4.2.2 Documents to be directly submitted via email

Two letters of recommendation were submitted either in Thai or English. At least one copy must come from their academic supervisor, head of the company, or co-worker, using the form designed by the Faculty, which is to be submitted directly by recommenders via email: admission.cu-medi@chula.md under the subject “2022 LOR ID... (application code).”

For the documents stated in Section 4.2, applicants who have confirmed their application acknowledge that all the documents are authentic. If found later that any evidence or documents for the application have been falsified, the applicant will be disqualified, even if they have already applied and been selected. They may also face legal actions.

5. Fees in the selection process

5.1 Application fee

The application fee is 1,000 Thai baht, not including the bank or credit card transaction fee, which will be the responsibility of the applicant to pay.

5.2 Interview, psychological assessment, and health check fees

5.2.1 Interview and psychological assessment fees of 4,000 Thai baht

5.2.2 The health check fee is set by King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital and will be announced later.

Chulalongkorn University reserves the right not to return any fees under any circumstances.

6. Selection Process

6.1 Announcement of the eligible applicants

The announcement of applicants who are eligible for selection will be made on **Wednesday 9th March 2022**, at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>.

6.2 Selection criteria

The standard for selecting applicants for interview and psychological assessment is by ranking the applicants' MCAT scores.

6.3 Announcement of the applicants for interview and psychological assessment

The announcement of applicants invited for an interview and psychiatric assessment and details on the interview will be made on **Monday 21st March 2022** at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th/>.

6.4 Interview and psychological assessment

Individuals selected by the Admission Committee will interview applicants who are selected for an interview and psychological assessment. Applicants will be tested for their abilities in English fluency, ethics and critical thinking, suitability for the medical profession, creativity, leadership qualities, and qualities indicative of an adult learner. The interview will be conducted **during the first or second week of April 2022**.

If the applicants do not show up for the interview as scheduled; they will lose the right to be selected.

6.5 Criteria for determining successful applicants

The Admission Committee will make decisions on successful applicants based on MCAT scores, interview scores, application profiles, letter of recommendation, statement of purpose, and curriculum vitae per the criteria set by the Admission Committee. The psychological assessment results will be considered for psychiatric disorders that may be an obstacle to studying and practicing medicine. **The decisions of the committee are considered final.**

6.6 Announcement of successful applicants following interview

The Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, will announce the list of successful applicants **on Monday 25th April 2022** at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th>. The number of successful applicants on the announcement will be the number of intakes stated or more if the lowest-ranked applicants have equal scores. There may or may not be a waiting list for additional applicants, in the order of applicants' scores.

6.7 Confirmation of the offer

Successful applicants will have to confirm the offer at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th> and pay the confirmation fee of 300,000 Thai baht, which will be deducted from the tuition fees of the first semester, between Monday 25th April 2022 to Friday 29th April 2022 by 13:00 (GMT+7). If the applicant fails to confirm the offer to study and pay the confirmation fees during this period, they will lose the right to enter this program.

If successful applicants choose to decline the offer, to fill up the required intake number of students, the Faculty of Medicine will notify applicants from the waiting list of their acceptance. The applicants will have to confirm the offer and pay the confirmation fees **by Tuesday, 3rd May 2022 at 13:00 (GMT+7)**. This process shall be considered the end of the selection process.

The Faculty of Medicine reserves the right not to return any confirmation fees under any circumstances.

6.8 Announcement of the confirmed applicants to enter the course

The Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, will announce those who have confirmed the offer to study in the course **on Monday 23rd May 2022** at <https://cu-medi.md.chula.ac.th>. Confirmed applicants will have to report for a health check at the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, **within July 2022** (Dates may be subject to change).

7. Conditions for entering the course

7.1 Conditions for the Doctor of Medicine (International Program) as per the cabinet resolution and as prescribed by the Medical Council of Thailand

- 7.1.1 Successful applicants are required to sign a unilateral contract or an open-ended contract with the Royal Thai Government or the University to work for the government agencies or state agencies for three years after graduation, following prevailing rules, conditions, and cabinet resolutions.
- 7.1.2 A Thai medical licensing examination is subject to the conditions prescribed by the Medical Council of Thailand.

7.2 Conditions for registration as a Chulalongkorn University student

Successful applicants who can be registered as students of Chulalongkorn University have to finish their Bachelor's degree before 31st July 2022. Chulalongkorn University may fine students who register later than the given dates.

8. Tuition and registration fees

The tuition and registration fees will be determined by Chulalongkorn University.

9. Course structure

This curriculum is an international medical program accepting graduates with at least a Bachelor's degree. The period of education is four years.

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10. Course Timeline

A four-year education is divided into three main phases: -

Phase 1: Pre-clerkship at the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University and King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital, the Thai Red Cross Society

Phase 2: Clerkship at the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital, the Thai Red Cross Society, and Queen Savang Vadhana Memorial Hospital in Sriracha, Chonburi

Phase 3: Externship phase at the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University, King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital, the Thai Red Cross Society, Queen Savang Vadhana Memorial Hospital in Sriracha, Chonburi, and partnered institutes abroad

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