

UNSW Medicine Online Admission interviews – Information for applicants

Interviews to be conducted online

Due to the current situation with COVID-19 and related travel restrictions, UNSW Medicine has made the decision to conduct all interviews for entry into the BMed/MD program for Term 1 2021 online. This means that applicants will not be required to come to one of our campuses for a face-to-face interview, but instead join the interview online from home.

There have been no changes to:

- how applicants are selected for an interview
- the interview format
- the interview dates

You can find all relevant details on our [How to Apply](#) website.

The interviews will be conducted using Zoom, and all applicants who will be offered an interview will be e-mailed detailed instructions and a link to their relevant Zoom meeting on the dates advertised. The e-mail will include the exact date and time for their interview. Make sure you are available on each day within the interview window.

Below you can find the technical requirements you must meet to take part in the interview. It is of utmost importance that you organise your set-up at home now, so that there will be no issues should you be invited for an interview.

Technical requirements

To take part in the online interview, you will need a laptop or PC with a webcam (can be built-in or external). You must ensure your device is up to date (drivers, Windows/Mac updates etc.) and that you do not have any notifications popping up on the screen which might distract you during the interview. If you are using a laptop, make sure you have the charger connected so you do not unexpectedly run out of battery.

You will also need headphones (recommended) or speakers, and a microphone (can be built-in or external).

Test your device well ahead of the interview and ensure Zoom has access to your headphones/speakers and microphone. To test this, you might want to join a Zoom test meeting at <https://zoom.us/test>.

You do not need a Zoom account or download any application/program to take part in the interview.

Stable internet connection

You will need to have a stable and reliable internet connection. You can go to <https://www.speedtest.net> to test your bandwidth/speed. The results should be at least: Download: 1.2 Mbps, Upload: 1.2 Mbps.

Where possible, a cabled connection to the router would be recommended, as this may improve connectivity.

Advise other users in the household of the date/time that you will be taking part in the interview. Ask them to avoid using a lot of bandwidth during this time (i.e. streaming, downloading big files, video conference calling etc.). This way, you can ensure you are not competing for bandwidth.

Location

You can join the interview from your own computer at home. The room from which you are joining the Zoom meeting must be quiet and well-lit. We want to make sure we can clearly hear and see you.

You must be by yourself in the room and you must not be disturbed.

Identification document

During your interview, you must have with you a formal photo identification such as your passport, driver's or learner's licence, or a letter from your school with your photo on it. Your interviewers will ask you to confirm your name and show your identification document before the interview begins.