

Selection criteria selection for the bachelor in Medicine, academic year 2019-2020

During the selection procedure, candidates will be assessed on their cognitive and non-cognitive characteristics and skills, as well as on their affinity with, knowledge of and preparation for the bachelor's programme in Medicine at Maastricht University (UM).

Candidates applying for the International Track in Medicine (ITM) will also be tested on their motivation for enrolling in the ITM and on their level of English.

The selection procedure consists of two rounds*:

- **Round 1:** a portfolio that must be completed online before a specific deadline, an addendum to the portfolio and a homework assignment.
- **Round 2:** participation in the selection day in Maastricht[#] and, if applicable, a 'Definitive time plan for the timely completion of (additional) prior education requirements for the bachelor's programme in Medicine'^{**}

Round 1: a portfolio that must be completed online before a specific deadline, an addendum to the portfolio and a homework assignment.

Candidates must have submitted a portfolio, the addendum to the portfolio and a homework assignment before 21 January 2019, 16.00 CET (Central European Time).

The portfolio, the addendum to the portfolio and the homework assignment are assessed according to predetermined criteria. The criteria are:

- The candidate is enrolled for the Bachelor in Medicine at Maastricht University through Studielink on time (= 15 January 2019 at the latest).

- The candidate's cognitive capabilities are sufficient.
- The candidate's non-cognitive capabilities are sufficient.
- The candidate has thoroughly prepared for admission to the bachelor's programme in Medicine in general and at Maastricht University in particular.
- The candidate has an affinity for and knowledge about learning within a PBL system.
- The candidate has an affinity for and knowledge about the medical curriculum at Maastricht University.
- The candidate has filled and submitted the online portfolio correctly and on time[&].
- The candidate has filled and submitted the addendum to the portfolio correctly and on time[&].
- The candidate has adequately executed the homework assignment and has submitted it correctly and on time^{&&}.

Additional criteria for candidates interested in enrolling for the ITM:

- The candidate has sufficient motivation for enrolling for this track (to be assessed based on the information in the portfolio).
- The candidate is sufficiently proficient in English. An additional language requirement applies hereto. The precise requirements are published on the webpages concerning the ITM, under 'English Language Proficiency ITM'. The candidate must have met the language requirements by 15 August 2019. The 700* applicants who performed best in the first selection round will move on to the second round. Candidates will be notified by email of the results of the first round no later than 8 February 2019. If they have passed this round, an invitation to the second round will be included in this email.



Round 2: participation in the selection day in Maastricht# and, if applicable, a 'Definitive time plan for the timely completion of (additional) prior education requirements for the bachelor's programme in Medicine' **, to be handed in timely online.

During the selection day, the candidates carry out a variety of tasks to assess the level of core skills that are important for successfully completing the medical studies and for later professional practice. These core skills are listed in the 'Framework Plan for Physician Training 2009' and in international scientific literature. How the candidates function in terms of these core skills is assessed according to predefined criteria. The criteria are:

- The candidate's cognitive capabilities are sufficient.
- The candidate's non-cognitive capabilities are sufficient.

Candidates for the ITM carry out the assignments on the selection day entirely in English.

Candidates who still have remaining subject deficiencies on 15 January 2019, must submit a complete 'Definitive time plan', including supporting documentation, by 16:00 CET (Central European Time) on 29 March 2019, for the timely completion of the statutory prior and/or additional education requirements for beginning the bachelor's programme in Medicine at Maastricht University in the academic year 2019-2020***.

In addition to a detailed description of the time plan, the document (hereafter referred to as the 'Definitive time plan') must contain proof of certificates and/or preliminary examinations already obtained, proof of registration for accepted preliminary examinations, and/or sufficiency declarations issued or accepted by Maastricht University.

The 'Definitive time plan' is assessed according to predetermined criteria. The criteria are:

- The 'Definitive time plan' ensures the timely completion of the statutory prior and/or additional education requirements for beginning the bachelor's programme in Medicine at UM in the academic year 2019-2020.
- The 'Definitive time plan' contains all relevant supporting documentation.
- The 'Definitive time plan' is submitted correctly and on time.

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Residents of the Caribbean part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands will have the opportunity to take part in the selection day on Curacao.

* Candidates with the highest scores in the first round of the selection will be proceed to the second round. In principle this will be 700 candidates, including a maximum of 133 candidates for the ITM. The maximum number of candidates for the ITM that is allowed to go into round 2 is a reflection of the maximum number of candidates allowed to enrol in ITM (n=60).

Should the total number of portfolios completed on time be less than 750, the selection committee reserves the right to combine the first and second selection rounds into one and to invite all candidates for a selection day as described above for round two. The portfolio, the



addendum to the portfolio and the homework assignment will then be assessed according to the predetermined procedure (see documents 'Procedure round 1' and 'Procedure round 2') and the criteria as described above.

** For admission to the bachelor's programme in Medicine, a candidate must have the proper diploma and subject combination/profile. The requirements for the diploma and subject combination/profile are referred to as the statutory prior and/or additional education requirements for beginning the bachelor's programme in Medicine. If a candidate does not completely satisfy these prior and/or additional education requirements with respect to the subject combination/profile, he or she is regarded as having one or more subject deficiencies.

There are no such subject deficiencies when a first and full pre-university diploma (Dutch VWO or equivalent) that contains the appropriate subject combination (including mathematics, physics, chemistry and biology) is obtained mid-2019. The subjects mentioned above should be of the appropriate level in terms of content, scope and depth.

*** Candidates who have no remaining subject deficiencies as of 21 January 2019 are exempt from submitting the 'Definitive time plan' for the timely completion of the prior and/or additional education requirements for the bachelor's programme in Medicine and will receive the maximum score for this component of round 2 of the selection procedure.

& Should the portfolio or the addendum to the portfolio not be handed in correctly and on time, the candidate concerned will not be invited to the selection day*.

&&# The homework assignment will be marked either sufficient or insufficient. Should a homework assignment not meet the requirements (submitted correctly, timely and adequately executed), it will be marked as insufficient and the candidate concerned will not be invited to the selection day*.

The content of the homework assignment will be used as a basis for one of the assignments during the introduction day. Furthermore, should two or more candidates end up with the same total score for their assignments of the selection day and the 'Definite time plan', the final ranking order will be determined by a comparative assessment of their homework assignments.