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Kia ora 

Congratulations! You have been offered a place in the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery programme for 2023 as an international student.

Please note that as an international student you will be required to pay international fees for 2023 even if your status changes to New Zealand domestic student during the year. If your status should change to domestic student prior to the commencement of the programme, your offer of place as an international student will no longer be valid.

Offer acceptance

[Accept or decline your offer](#) as soon as possible, no later than **11.59PM 8 January 2023**. If you have any questions, please contact fmhs@auckland.ac.nz.

To be in this programme you must be in Auckland for the start of orientation. There is no online option of study available. If you are not in New Zealand currently, please contact us at fmhs@auckland.ac.nz to let us know when you will be in New Zealand, or so that we can provide further advice.

Enrol now in courses for your programme. Refer to the Programme Enrolment below.

Fitness to Practise and Child Safety

Students in clinical programmes must meet the Faculty's 'fitness to practise' requirements. Concerns about a student's fitness to practise will be managed in accordance with the [fitness to practise policy](#). The most important goal of the framework is patient safety. In



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general, fitness to practise concerns are managed in a rehabilitative way. On rare occasions, fitness to practise concerns may affect a student's ability to enter or complete the programme.

Students are required to satisfy the components of the Safety Check required under the [Children's Act](#). If you are found to have been convicted of a specified offence (as listed in [Schedule 2 of the CA](#)) or otherwise assessed to pose an undue risk to the safety of children, you may not continue in the programme. If you are enrolled in courses for your programme, these will be dropped on your behalf.

This following online form must be completed and submitted by **20 January 2023**. The purpose of this form is to allow the University to identify and resolve potential fitness to practise and child safety concerns as early as possible. You may be required to upload additional information during your submission.

<https://www.forms.auckland.ac.nz/en/student/fmhs/mbchb-year-2-entrance-safety-check-and-fitness-to-practise-application.html>

Programme Enrolment

Semester	Course	Title	Points
One	MBCHB 221A	MBChB Part II	60
Two	MBCHB 221B	MBChB Part II	60

If you have any problems working out how to enrol, we recommend that you visit [the University website](#) which includes a video clip which you should find useful.

If you have any additional queries regarding enrolments, please contact: fmhs@auckland.ac.nz.

Course Credits

Students who have completed their prior study at a university other than the University of Auckland must apply for their first year course credit to be added to their University of Auckland programme.

- a. Fees – there is a fee payable for the transfer of credit



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- b. Form – the required form should be attached. If it is not, you will need to find and complete an [AS-14 Application for Assessment of External Transfer Credit](#)

Students who completed their qualifying study at the University of Auckland will have their courses credited or reassigned as appropriate. No form or fee payment is necessary for these students.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In making this offer, we advise you that the University of Auckland is not involved in the employment of completing medical students and can make no guarantee of post-qualification registration or employment in New Zealand or any other country.

Please note that the MBChB programme does not follow the University of Auckland semester system dates so please read the following pages carefully to ensure that you are in Auckland and available for all MBChB Part II requirements.

IMPORTANT: If you accept this offer of a place in the MBChB programme in 2023, you are committing to be available for all MBChB Part II requirements.

Dates for the Teaching Year (Add to your diary now)

Your commitments through the year commence on 20 February and end on 15 November. You must be available for teaching and learning activities throughout this time except for the following study breaks and vacation dates:

7 April – 20 April 2023

22 June – 9 July 2023

26 August – 10 September 2023



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Week 1

Attending the first week of the programme (20 – 24 February) is essential and compulsory. **If you do not attend, your place in the programme will be forfeited and offered to another applicant on our reserve list.**

The first week begins at 9am on Monday 20 February with an introduction to the programme. A timetable of other activities will be available in early February when the full semester one timetable is published.

Progress Tests – (Add to your diary now)

On the following dates, you will be undertaking a form of written assessment called Progress Testing. You will learn more about this during Week 1, however you should note the dates on which Progress Tests will be taken as you **MUST** attend these assessments.

- Progress Test 1: Friday 21 April 2023
- Progress Test 2: Saturday 22 July 2023
- Progress Test 3: Tuesday 24 October 2023

Māori Health Intensive - attendance compulsory (Add to your diary now)

All Year 2 students in Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy will be involved in Māori Health Intensive from 10 – 13 July 2023. This is facilitated by Te Kupenga Hauora Māori with the leaders of the respective programmes.

All students will participate in both large and small group sessions and in visits to local marae, and are expected to be available for the whole week. Applications to defer Māori Health Intensive will only be considered under exceptional circumstances on a case-by-case basis. If a deferral of Māori Health Intensive is granted, you will be required to participate in the 2024 Māori Health Intensive, as the study is a compulsory part of the curriculum.

Information technology (IT) requirements

Assessment at the university, and therefore the medical programme, is increasingly moving online. Courses also need to be capable of a shift to e-learning. Appropriate technology is an important tool for students. **All students entering the programme require a laptop or**



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desktop computer (not a tablet, Chromebook or smart phone) that is still able to download operating system updates.

Study outside of Auckland

Please note that in the clinical years (years 4,5,6), all students are required to spend some time in clinical placements outside of Auckland. Both short-term general practice placements and year-long placements in one of eight DHBs in the upper North Island are required. All students are required to spend one full clinical year out of Auckland. Further information will be provided during week 1. If there are insufficient students who volunteer for these placements, the programme operates a ballot system, which is binding on all students. **Your acceptance of a place in the medical programme implies that you agree to study outside of the Auckland region.**

Transmissible & Blood-borne Infections

Healthcare workers need to be protected from diseases they will encounter and, on occasions throughout their careers, will be asked by employers for evidence they have this protection. In addition, The Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (FMHS) needs to assure Health Training Providers that students are safe to work in clinical environments.

All students are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Detailed information will be sent early in 2023, please look out for this information.

Other Information

We would like to draw your attention to the [Casement Aicken Memorial Award](#). The scholarship is awarded based on the financial need of the applicant. The closing date for receipt of applications is **17 January 2023**.

Details of the scholarship and how to apply can be found here:

<https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/scholarships-and-awards/find-a-scholarship/casement-aickin-memorial-award-220-fmhs.html>



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The scholarships page also provides information about other scholarship assistance at the University of Auckland, for which you may be eligible to apply. You can click on the link for information about other [University of Auckland Scholarships](#).

Please click on the links below for important information:

- [Academic Preparation Advice for non-Science Graduates](#)
- [Invitation to join the rural stream](#)

We wish you every success with your studies.

Yours Sincerely

Dr Briar Peat

Director of Admissions, MBChB