

Medical Sciences

University of Edinburgh

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King's Buildings Campus

Content

Medical Sciences could be for you if you plan to enter a career in healthcare or a healthcare-related profession.

This programme examines the science behind the clinical practice of medicine. It addresses key principles relating to human health and disease.

Year 1:

You take six courses, including the three core courses: Medical Sciences 1, Medical Biology 1 and Molecules, Genes and Cells 1. Students without an A Grade in SQA Advanced Higher or GCE A Level Chemistry need to take two core courses in biological chemistry. You choose other courses from a range of biomedical and non-biomedical courses.

Year 2:

You take three core courses: Anatomy and Pathology 2, Biomedical Sciences 2 and Microorganisms, Cells and Immunity 2. You also choose other courses – biomedical, biological or from other areas of the University.

Year 3:

You study three core courses: Health, Illness and Society 3, Clinical Biochemistry and Endocrinology 3 and Clinical Immunology and Haematology 3A, and three optional courses.

Year 4:

You study core course Medical Sciences 4 plus four optional courses that allow you to analyse high-profile contemporary issues in medical sciences. With individual tutor support, you will complete a major research project that involves either original, laboratory-based medical research; clinically related research or library-based literature research.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

BSc Hons

UCAS Code

B100

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine

Department

Medical Sciences

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

4 Highers at AABB (by end of S5 preferred) including Biology and Chemistry. Maths or Physics recommended plus Maths at B and English at National 5. Advanced Higher Biology and Chemistry recommended.

For entry to second year you would need Advanced Higher Biology and Chemistry at AB or BA plus the above.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (by end of S6) including Biology and Chemistry. Maths or Physics recommended plus Maths at B and English at National 5. Advanced Higher Biology and Chemistry recommended. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting S4-S6.

SCQF Level

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Progression Routes

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Combination Courses

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