

Medicine Applicant Support Calendar

Medicine is a highly competitive course, which will require excellent grades. A successful application requires a candidate to show a broad range of experiences that demonstrates their dedication to medicine, their understanding of the role, academic interest in the area and a demonstration of service. By gaining experience in these areas you will be able to create a personal statement that shows the required competencies for the course. This checklist covers the key areas you will need to be successful in a medicine application. You will be assigned a mentor to support you through this process. This checklist covers the key areas, you should also however always be looking for opportunities to expand your knowledge in the area through any means you find (e.g. newspapers, articles, radio shows etc).

Month	Task
Make yourself known as a future Medicine Applicant as soon as possible	
Year 12 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Check entrance requirement (focus on GCSE grades and meeting the requirement) ✓ Try to attend a lecture by the Royal Society of Medicine https://www.rsm.ac.uk/events/events-listing.aspx ✓ Investigate work experience (Gloucestershire NHS provide work experience days) http://www.gloshospitals.nhs.uk/en/Work-for-Us/Work-Experience/
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Use Unifrog to identify potential universities and courses. Check your suitability and pathway. ✓ Pick an academic book to read to strengthen your understanding of medicine and your personal statement e.g. Emperor of Maladies Laws of Medicine When Breath Becomes Air
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Create list of application requirements and discuss with mentor and identify whether you will be sitting UKCAT or BMAT ✓ Talk from Medic about the role of a Doctor ✓ Talk from Toxicologist regarding the role of Diet in Cancer
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Organise volunteering opportunity to strengthen application. Aim for an appropriate area – nursing home etc.
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Study of a related MOOC ✓ Prepare Summer work experience around academic area http://www.gloshospitals.nhs.uk/en/Work-for-Us/Work-Experience/
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Start preparation for Admissions Tests. Tutoring will occur during school time but use online materials to start practicing now
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Gain excellent AS Results ✓ Personal statement started ✓ UKCAT/BMAT open ✓ UKCAT and BMAT tutoring during Enrichment
Year 13 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Download practice material for entrance exams
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Finalise personal statement ✓ Sit entrance exams ✓ Mentor to check progress on entrance exams
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Send application via UCAS
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Mock interview