The University of Queensland, School of Medicine
Specialties 1 (MEDI4014) Clinical Placement
Approval Process to Undertake Specialties 1 Interstate/Overseas

Students who intend to undertake their Specialties 1 (MEDI4014) clinical placement at a site apart from the UQ Clinical Schools (Queensland, interstate and overseas) are required to submit an application to the Head of Discipline of Medicine with details relating to the proposed clinical placement.

The application form and further information can be located in the MBBS Guide by the following pathway:

- MBBS Guide →
- Program Information →
- Information for Phase 2 →
- International Opportunities →
- Specialties 1 - Medicine

The approval process is summarised as follows:

Students submit the application forms to Discipline Coordinator - Medicine (medicinesom@uq.edu.au) at least 8 weeks prior to the commencement of the clinical placement. Only completed application forms will be accepted for consideration.

The Head of Discipline will decide the suitability of the proposed clinical placement. Initial approval will be granted provided that all the requirements are met.

In order to obtain the final approval, students are required to provide the following documents:

1. A letter of acceptance from the supervising consultants (on the hospital/university letterhead and with the consultant’s signature)
2. A weekly timetable of activities during your clinical placement

Students will be notified of the outcome of their applications by the Discipline once the above mentioned documents are received within the application deadlines. Thereafter the applications should follow the process outlined in the Clinical Placement Guidelines.

Students are advised NOT to make any travel arrangements until the final approval has been granted by the Head of Discipline.
Please note the following:

- Students are responsible for contacting any proposed teaching institution and for seeking agreement that a teaching program will be available consistent with the published Learning Objectives and Goals. Students are required to establish that supervision will be provided by a recognised Consultant in the nominated Specialty and that a teaching program is available.

- Preferred University of Queensland partner institutions are listed at http://www.uq.edu.au/study/docs/GlobalNetworks.pdf.

- Students need to justify that the teaching program is similar to the teaching in Queensland hospitals. Students will need to provide the potential supervising Consultant with the Learning Objectives & Goals of the nominated specialty. This will ensure that the proposed supervising Consultant is aware of the requirements of the Discipline of Medicine Specialties 1 (MEDI4014) clinical placement.

- Students undertaking Specialties 1 clinical placements in institutions apart from UQ Clinical Schools (Queensland and Overseas) will be required to submit a 2-page report, at the end of the attachment, on how the Learning Objectives and Goals for that particular subspecialty were met.

- Medical Specialty Areas that students are allowed to undertake in their Specialties 1 clinical placement are as follows:
  
  - Cardiology
  - Clinical Pharmacology
  - Obstetric Medicine
  - Endocrinology
  - Gastroenterology
  - Geriatric Medicine and Rehabilitation
  - Infectious Diseases, Medical Microbiology and Dermatology
  - Neurology
  - Oncology, Haematology and Palliative Care
  - Renal Medicine
  - Rheumatology
  - Immunology
  - Thoracic Medicine

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