

# Macquarie MD

## ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES ADMISSIONS GUIDE 2027 INTAKE

### APPLICATION DATES

Applications open on **22 April 2026** and close on **1 October 2026**



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## TIMELINE

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

FMHHS acknowledges the traditional custodians of the Macquarie University land, the Wattamattagal people of the Darug nation. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, to the ancestors and to the Land, its knowledges and culture, which are embodied within and throughout this Country.

### PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE GUIDE CAREFULLY

The following information is provided as general guidance for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants to the Macquarie MD (Doctor of Medicine) at Macquarie University. All applicants should routinely check the [Macquarie MD website](#) for up-to-date admission information.

### HOW MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY WILL CONTACT YOU

Email will be the primary means of contact between Macquarie University and applicants.

It is essential that you provide a current email address which will be valid from April 2026 to February 2027 and that you regularly check your emails.

You are advised to provide an email address other than your current university email address unless it will be available until February 2027.

Some email messages may be blocked or flagged as spam by some email providers. To help prevent this add [medicine@mq.edu.au](mailto:medicine@mq.edu.au) and [AskWM@mq.edu.au](mailto:AskWM@mq.edu.au) to your 'safe senders' list and contacts file and regularly check your junk mail folder, especially if you use a web-based email client such as Gmail or Hotmail.

Macquarie University will not be held responsible for undeliverable or unread email communication.

Email [medicine@mq.edu.au](mailto:medicine@mq.edu.au) to advise any change to your email or postal address.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

You should first visit [Macquarie MD website](#) and carefully read the detailed information on the Macquarie MD.

Email [medicine@mq.edu.au](mailto:medicine@mq.edu.au) for more information about the general application process.

### ADMISSION POLICIES

#### OFFERS

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept an offer of a place. Offers not accepted by that date will lapse.

**If an applicant declines an offer of a place, or allows the offer to lapse, they will not be considered for another place or receive another offer in the 2027 intake.**

#### DEFERRAL

Deferral of a place is not granted, and applicants must reapply if they wish to be considered for the following year.

#### EXCLUSION

An applicant who has been excluded from any university must indicate this when they apply. Applicants whom this applies to may be contacted for further details.

### ADMISSION AND APPLICATION IRREGULARITIES

Applicants should be aware that the presentation of forged documents is a criminal offence in Australia and that universities may take appropriate action in such cases. All tertiary study must be declared in the application. For the purpose of university admission, the withholding of information and the submission of incorrect or misleading information are deemed fraudulent. Action taken in such cases may include cancellation of an application for admission, withdrawal of an offer of admission, or cancellation of an enrolment. Applicants who submit fraudulent documents or otherwise seek to gain an advantage by fraudulent means may be banned from future applications to Macquarie University.

Only your first submitted application will be processed.

### MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY POLICIES

Details on admission policies for the Macquarie MD are provided in the entry requirements section of this guide and on the [Macquarie MD website](#).

# APPLICATION PROCESS

Macquarie University makes every effort to ensure the accuracy of information provided in this admission guide at the time of publication. Applicants are responsible for determining their eligibility to apply and should consult the [Macquarie MD website](#) for more detailed information and updates.

Please submit your application directly to Macquarie University via this [Application Form](#). For advice and support through the process please contact [AskWM@mq.edu.au](mailto:AskWM@mq.edu.au).

Applicants can submit applications from 22 April 2026 until 1 October 2026. There are four key components of the application process, as outlined below.



For applicants applying via the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway please ensure to attach evidence of Aboriginality. Submissions may include one of the following.

- Confirmation of Aboriginality (confirmation/common seal). A confirmation can be either:
- the applicant's own personal confirmation
- the applicant's parent's/direct family member's confirmation accompanied by the applicant's birth certificate and corresponding birth certificates to establish descent.

Contact [Walanga Muru](#) via [AskWM@mq.edu.au](mailto:AskWM@mq.edu.au) if you have questions about attaching documents and culturally sensitive material can be submitted directly to Walanga Muru.

Failure to include all requested documents may disadvantage you.



## BACHELOR DEGREE

All applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, a bachelor or honours degree.

Undergraduate Australian degrees must be from a [Commonwealth-accredited institution](#).

Overseas degrees must be recognised by the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit (previously AEI-NOOSR) as equivalent to an Australian bachelor degree. Your qualification(s) will be assessed for equivalency as part of the application process.

For those in the final year of study, satisfactory completion of the course in 2026 is a condition of entry. If you cannot complete your course and provide evidence of completion in the 2026 calendar year, any offer you have received that is conditional upon completion of your current course may be withdrawn.

**DO NOT CONTACT THE AUSTRALIAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS RECOGNITION POLICY UNIT FOR ASSESSMENT OF YOUR DEGREE.**

## GRADE POINT AVERAGE

Macquarie University will calculate a weighted grade point average (GPA, [GPA Calculator](#)) from certified academic transcripts uploaded as part of your application. Certified transcripts must be submitted as part of your application. Refer to the entry requirements section of this guide for a detailed description of how your GPA will be calculated.

Macquarie University encourages individuals from diverse educational backgrounds who will bring to the profession a variety of talents and interests. No preference is given to graduates with particular bachelor degrees. The GPA indicates the level of performance in the qualifying degree. There is no differentiation of GPA between institutions or programs.



## GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND BONUS

Applicants will automatically receive a three percent bonus to their weighted GPA. If applicants are also rural applicants, a maximum five percent bonus will be applied to the weighted GPA.

## SELECTION FOR INTERVIEW

Applicants meeting the minimum GPA requirement of 5.0 out of 7.0 will be referred to Walanga Muru for initial interview. Subject to approval, applicants are then referred to the Faculty for scheduling of a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI).



## INTERVIEWS

The interviews are designed to assess qualities considered by Macquarie University to be associated with success in both the study of medicine and later practice and is conducted by trained interviewers. Academic performance is not discussed at the interview.

Selected applicants receive an invitation to interview via email and can select to attend in person or online. For interview selection, photographic identity, such as a valid passport, will be required for identification purposes and the completion of a confidentiality form.

The Format of the interviews will be Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs) which consist of 4 x 8-minute interviews, with a different interviewer for each interview. Applicants can request a [Walanga Muru](#)

representative to provide cultural and process support through this process.

Applicants who would prefer to attend in person may be eligible for [ABSTUDY Away from Base Assistance](#). If this is something you wish to consider so you can see the campus, you can look into your eligibility and the process on the Away from Base ABSTUDY website.

Those who receive an invite for interview can discuss options for your interview with your Walanga Muru representative.

Interviews will be held in July, August or October.

Applicants unsuccessful in receiving an interview will be notified via email by Macquarie University. Applicants who were not interviewed are not able to be considered for an offer.

## OFFERS

Applicants will be ranked and selected for offer based on the following:

- 50% GPA
- 50% MMI score

Applicants offered a place in the program will be notified via email.

Applicants unsuccessful in receiving a place in the program will be notified via email.

***If you have been offered a place in another program and you intend to accept that place, then please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your application as soon as possible.***

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships for the Indigenous student pathway:

- Up to two scholarships worth \$50,000 for 4 years (length of the course).
- Awarded to the highest ranked Indigenous students enrolled in the Doctor of Medicine.
- No application required.

## QUOTAS

All Doctor of Medicine places at Macquarie University are either domestic full-fee paying or international and will be allocated based on the ranking of the applicant.



2027 Macquarie MD quota	
International places	Domestic places
20	60

Domestic numbers include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathway students.

***THIS QUOTA IS INDICATIVE ONLY AND THEREFORE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.***

## **FAQS ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS**

### **WHAT IS THE DEFINITION OF AN HONOURS YEAR, IN TERMS OF GPA CALCULATIONS?**

There are two types of honours year programs: standalone and embedded. If you could have completed the bachelor degree and done your honours year at another university, it is standalone. If not, it is embedded. Standalone honours are used as the final GPA year along with the last two years of the preceding bachelor degree. With embedded honours, the most recent three years of the program are used.

### **I HAVE DONE (OR I AM COMPLETING) AN HONOURS YEAR. WILL THIS BE USED FOR SELECTION?**

We include honours results in GPA calculations; however, this can become problematic where the honours year isn't complete. Typically, honours results are only available at the end of the honours year, and we do a GPA calculation for allocating applicants to interviews in the middle of the year. You would probably have a GPA calculated on your bachelor degree used for getting an interview and then when the honours results are available, they would be used to confirm any conditional or provisional offer you may have been made.

However, if you do have results for honours from Semester/Session 1, these may be used in your GPA calculation together with results from the last two years of your bachelor degree.

### **WHAT IS THE MINIMUM FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) STUDY LOAD IN SEMESTER/SESSION 1 OF CURRENT YEAR STUDY TO BE INCLUDED IN GPA CALCULATIONS?**

There is no minimum FTE study load for Semester/Session 1 of the current year of study for inclusion in the GPA calculations.

### **WILL MY HONOURS SUBJECT RESULTS OR THE OVERALL HONOURS GRADE BE USED IN MY GPA CALCULATION?**

Where an honours year is eligible to be included; if your honours year consists of subjects which have results then these will be used to calculate your GPA. If there are no subject results, and only an overall honours grade, that will be used. If both subject results and an overall honours grade are available, the higher GPA will be used.

### **HOW DO I ALLOCATE SUBJECTS TO YEARS TO CALCULATE MY GPA?**

Calculating your GPA: take the total credit points and divide by the years normally taken to do the course. This will give you the number of credit points to allocate to each GPA year.

Example: Assume that all the units you did were of equal credit point value. If you did 24 units in a three-year degree you would allocate 8 units a year. Working backwards chronologically, take the most recently completed 8 units and allocate them to the Final GPA year. Then take the next 8 units and allocate them to the Final- minus-1 GPA year, and the remaining 8 units will be the Final-minus-2 GPA year.

### **HOW ARE SUBJECTS ALLOCATED TO THE THREE GPA YEARS?**

We allocate by the year in which subjects were taken and not the level of the subjects. We use full-time equivalent (FTE) study loads to allocate subjects to GPA years so we can take part-time, overloading and subjects of differing credit point values into consideration.

### **DOES MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY USE POSTGRADUATE STUDY?**

Macquarie University will calculate a GPA including graduate diploma and coursework masters, if this degree will be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Completed Higher Degree Research Masters and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees will be used in GPA calculations. Only one postgraduate qualification will be used in calculation, this will be the highest or most recent qualification.

### **I'VE DONE A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE. DO I CALCULATE MY GPA ON THAT OR ON MY UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE?**

Macquarie University will calculate a GPA including graduate diploma and coursework masters, if this degree will be completed by 31 December in the year of application. Completed Higher Degree Research Masters and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees will be used in GPA calculations. See the entry requirements section of this guide for further information.

### **CAN I GET MY INTERVIEW SCORE OR RANKING DATA?**

Macquarie University is not able to provide any ranking data or interview scores. Many factors impact on who gets an offer, as outlined in this Guide.

### **HOW ARE OFFERS RELEASED?**

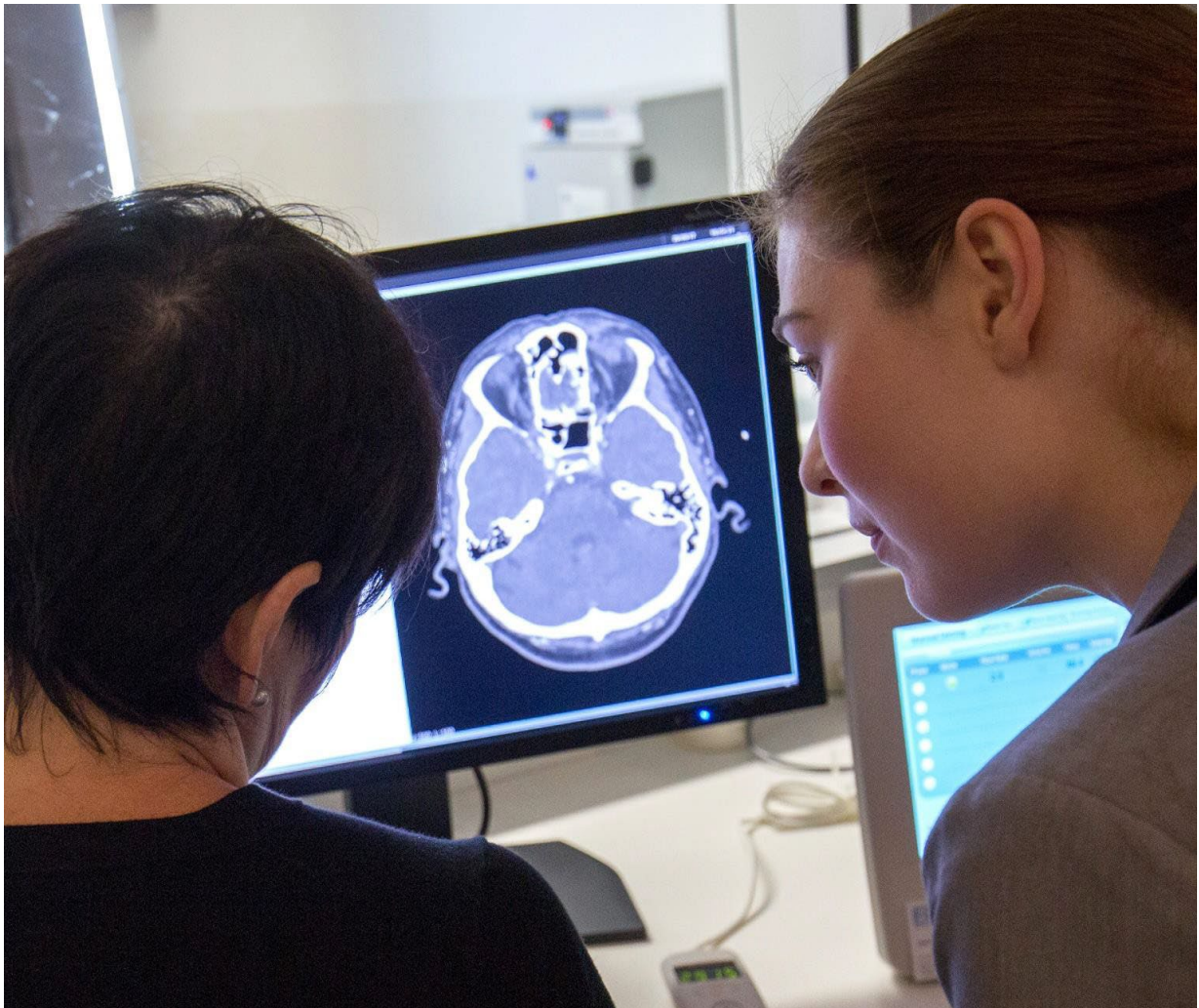
All offers are decided following interview and unsuccessful applicants are notified by email within 2 weeks of interview. Please make sure you have listed [medicine@mq.edu.au](mailto:medicine@mq.edu.au) as a 'trusted sender' in your email system.

**WHAT IS A CONDITIONAL OFFER?**

If you are made an offer of a place, and you have not completed your degree for Macquarie University, then the offer will be conditional. When we get your final results, we will calculate your final GPA and check that it meets any conditions put on your offer (e.g. maintaining a stated GPA). If it does, your offer will be confirmed, and if it doesn't meet the conditions, the offer will be withdrawn. Applicants enrolled in a combined course and who receive a conditional offer for a place at Macquarie University must complete both awards to have their offer confirmed.

**I HAVE NOT RECEIVED AN OFFER IN THE CURRENT ROUND – WHAT HAPPENS NOW?**

If you do not receive an offer of a place in a current round (provided it is not the October round) of offers after interview, your application will remain in the system for further consideration in the next offer round.





## HOW TO APPLY

### 1. Reach out to Walanga Muru

Review the [Walanga Muru Page](#) and reach out via [AskWM@mq.edu.au](mailto:AskWM@mq.edu.au). This will help you prepare for your application and the application process.

### 2. Complete the application form

To apply for admission For the Macquarie MD commencing in 2027, you must complete and submit the [application form](#) by no later than 1 October 2026.

Late applications will NOT be accepted.

Remember to include [medicine@mq.edu.au](mailto:medicine@mq.edu.au) and [AskWM@mq.edu.au](mailto:AskWM@mq.edu.au) as trusted email addresses, to ensure messages from Macquarie are not treated as spam and sent to your junk folder. We cannot be held responsible for any email not reaching/being read by you

### 3. Ensure all relevant documents are uploaded

Documents required are:

- certified tertiary academic transcripts
- GAMSAT – *optional for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only.*
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander evidence of descent
- [supplementary form](#)

Failure to include all requested documents may disadvantage you. Please send only those documents specifically requested.

## FAQS ABOUT COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

### I'm still studying this year; do I need to submit a 2026 transcript?

Applicants completing their qualifying degree in 2026 will be assessed on the basis of the information available at the time of application. Semester/Session 1 (or Trimester 1), 2026 results will be included in the assessment for interview if they are available at the time of assessment.

Applicants completing their degree in 2026 will only be offered an interview if the GPA at the time of application (with 2026 results to date) meets the required level.

Such applicants should also note that while decisions on interview offers will be made on the basis of results available at the time of application, final 2026 results may be used to determine offer of a place. Refer to the entry requirements section in this guide for more information.

### What study should I declare in the application?

ALL tertiary study must be declared (this includes completed and incomplete study), whether relevant or not to your key degree.

### How do I submit the supplementary form for Macquarie University?

After completing the Supplementary form, download as a PDF and include this with your application.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### HOW CAN YOU ASSIST MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY?

- Ensure your application is submitted, once it has been completed and reviewed, before the deadline. No late submissions will be accepted.
- Ensure you declare all your tertiary study in the application (this includes completed and incomplete study).
- Ensure you inform Macquarie University if there is a delay in obtaining a Semester/Session 2 result (e.g. sitting a special or deferred exam).
- Please include only those documents that have been specifically requested.
- Your contact details need to be operational. Inform Macquarie University if they change.
- Completions (academic transcript showing that you have completed your program) must be sent to Macquarie University as soon as possible (by 22 December 2026) if you have been made a conditional offer of a place.
- If there is a delay in obtaining final results (if you have received a conditional offer of a place), alert Macquarie University as soon as possible (e.g. sitting a special exam). Please ensure you alert Macquarie University well before the 31 December 2026 deadline.



## Macquarie University – Doctor of Medicine (Macquarie MD)

### Contact details

Email	<a href="mailto:medicine@mq.edu.au">medicine@mq.edu.au</a> and <a href="mailto:AskWM@mq.edu.au">AskWM@mq.edu.au</a>
Telephone	+61 2 9850 4538
Web	<a href="#">Macquarie MD website</a>

### The MD Program

**Places available in 2027:** Quotas are subject to change.  
60 domestic places (including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students).  
20 international places

**Doctor of Medicine selection policies** All applicants should refer to the Macquarie MD website for detailed information on the program including selection and program policies.

**Australian and international clinical placements** The Macquarie MD requires students to attend clinical placements in Australian and international settings.

### Bachelor degree and GPA

#### Bachelor degree

Applicants must have completed a bachelor degree or be in their final year of a bachelor course (scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application). The bachelor degree must be:

- a level 7 Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualification, or an equivalent overseas degree listed in the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit (previously AEI-NOOSR).
- Conversion degrees are not accepted. Any bachelor degree that has study credited from a qualification below a bachelor degree is considered a conversion degree.

Bachelor degrees must be completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment unless the applicant meets accepted postgraduate study requirements.

Only the following postgraduate study is accepted:

- Graduate Diploma
- Coursework Masters
- Higher Degree Research Masters
- Doctor of Philosophy.

Postgraduate coursework (graduate diploma and coursework masters) must be:

- complete or scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application
- completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment.

Postgraduate research (Higher Degree Research Masters and Doctor of Philosophy) must be:

- complete at the time of application
- completed less than 10 years from intended enrolment.

#### Grade point average

Applicants are required to have achieved:

- a minimum weighted grade point average (GPA) of 5.0 out of 7.0 to be considered for interview.

GPA is calculated through consideration of relevant tertiary transcripts from completed programs or programs scheduled for completion by 31 December in the year of application.

The GPA calculation considers full-time equivalent (FTE) years of study. The weightings used give higher level results greater value.

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Applicants with bachelor degree only will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Final year (most recent FTE year of study) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (second most recent FTE year of study) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (third most recent FTE year of study) = x 1.

Applicants with a bachelor degree and standalone honours year will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- Final year (honours) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree) = x 1.

Applicants with postgraduate coursework (graduate diploma and masters) will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- postgraduate coursework (considered as whole) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or standalone honours year) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or most recent year of bachelor degree if honours is used) = x 1.

Applicants with **completed** postgraduate research (Higher degree research masters or PhD) will have their GPA calculated with the following weightings:

- postgraduate research (considered as whole, given maximum GPA value of 7.0) = x 3
- Final-minus-1 (most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or standalone honours year) = x 2
- Final-minus-2 (second most recent FTE year of bachelor degree or most recent year of bachelor degree if honours is used) = x 1.

Non-award units will not be used as part of the GPA calculation.

The total GPA calculated for each year will be converted to a 7-point scale and then divided by the number of units taken.

**GAMSAT**

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Applicants can submit GAMSAT scores though *this is optional for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Applicants*.

GAMSAT scores submitted must satisfy:

- a minimum overall score of 50
- a minimum of 50 in each of the three sections
- completion within four years of intended enrolment.

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**Supplementary Form**

All applicants must submit a supplementary form. The supplementary form involves acknowledgement of statements related to international placements and meeting criteria specific to the Doctor of Medicine program.

**Currency of qualification**

Qualifications considered for admission must have been completed within 10 years of intended enrolment.

**Campus and place type preference**

Wallumattagal Campus,  
Macquarie University  
Balaclava Road, North Ryde  
NSW, 2109, Australia

All places in the Macquarie University Doctor of Medicine are full fee paying.

The program requires students to attend clinical placements in Australian and international settings.

<b>Macquarie University – Doctor of Medicine (Macquarie MD)</b>	
<b>Interview</b>	<p><b>Interview selection</b></p> <p>Applicants will be ranked and selected for interview based on the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• meeting minimum eligibility requirements outlined above</li> <li>• weighted GPA</li> <li>• Supplementary form.</li> </ul> <p><b>Interview format</b></p> <p>Interviews will be conducted in the multiple mini interview (MMI) format, which will see applicants rotate through a series of four short interview stations.</p> <p>Applicants will be offered a MMI conducted via videoconference or in person.</p> <p><b>Interview timing</b></p> <p>Offers to attend an MMI will be made by Macquarie University for one of three interview rounds in June, August or October 2026 depending on when your application is processed.</p>
<b>Offer</b>	<p><b>Offer selection</b></p> <p>Applicants will be ranked and selected for offer based on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50% weighted GPA</li> <li>• 50% MMI score</li> </ul> <p><b>Offer timing</b></p> <p>Successful applicants will be notified by Macquarie University approximately 2 weeks after interview. Applicants will normally have 7 days to accept an offer.</p> <p><b>Conditional offers</b></p> <p>If an offer is made where a degree is not yet complete, the offer will be conditional. To be made a full offer, study must be complete by 31 December in the year of application.</p> <p>If conditions are not met by the specified date in the offer letter, the offer will be withdrawn. Applicants applying based on a combined degree must complete both awards to have their offer confirmed.</p>
<b>Information Evening and Open Day</b>	<p>MD Information Evening: Wednesday 22 April 2026, 5-7:30pm <a href="#">Macquarie MD Info Evening</a></p> <p>Open Day: Saturday 15 August 2026, 10am to 4pm <a href="#">Events   Macquarie University</a></p>



*Macquarie University is a vibrant hub of intellectual thinkers, all working towards a brighter future for our communities and our planet.*

#### **A PLACE OF INSPIRATION**

Macquarie is uniquely located in the heart of Australia's largest high-tech precinct, a thriving locale which is predicted to double in size in the next 20 years to become the fourth largest CBD in Australia.

Our campus spans 126 hectares, with open green space that gives our community the freedom to think and grow. We are home to fantastic facilities with excellent transport links to the city and suburbs, supported by an on-campus train station.

#### **RENOWNED FOR EXCELLENCE**

We are ranked among the top two per cent of universities in the world, and with a 5-star QS rating, we are renowned for producing graduates that are among the most sought after professionals in the world.

#### **A PROUD TRADITION OF DISCOVERY**

Our enviable research efforts are brought to life by renowned researchers whose audacious solutions to issues of global significance are benefiting the world we live in.

#### **BUILDING SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES**

Our pioneering approach to teaching and learning is built around a connected learning community: our students are considered partners and co-creators in their learning experience.

#### **FIND OUT MORE**

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