
Flinders University - Admission Information Bachelor of Medical Science (Vision Science)/Master of Optometry

Admission to undergraduate courses is normally based on academic merit as determined by assessment of an applicant's qualifications. You can apply for this course using Year 12 qualifications or previous Higher Education study. This course does not have a TAFE/VET or Adult Entry subquota.

The following information should be read along-side the Flinders University Admission information set and information available at www.flinders.edu.au/courses/undergrad/bmsmopt/

Applicants should note the following course specific admission information:

- uniTEST results are considered
- The Universities Equity Scheme and the Language, Literacy & Mathematics Bonus Points Scheme are accepted
- The Principal's Recommendation Program is not considered
- UniLeap results are not considered
- Year 12 subject entry (Research Project B) pathway is not considered

Assumed Knowledge

SACE Stage 2 Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics or equivalent

Rural and Remote Subquota

An annual subquota is available for applicants from rural and remote areas. To be considered for the rural and remote subquota applicants must apply to SATAC in the normal way. Applicants must also, within 10 working days after submitting the SATAC application, submit a Statutory Declaration to SATAC which confirms that they have lived in non-metropolitan areas of Australia (Remoteness Classifications RA2 to RA5) for at least 5 consecutive years, or 10 years cumulatively, from birth (i.e. during any period of their life). A Statutory Declaration form can be downloaded at www.satac.edu.au/documents/ruralstatdec.pdf. Applicants can check their eligibility in accordance with the definition above using the search tool at the Remoteness Area (RA) Locator site which has the following link: www.doctorconnect.gov.au/internet/otd/publishing.nsf/Content/ASGSRA_locator. Applicants are advised that should they receive an offer for a place in the degree through the Rural and Remote subquota it will be conditional on providing a Statutory Declaration confirming eligibility if this has not already been provided to SATAC.

Indigenous Subquota

There will be an annual subquota for Indigenous applicants. Such applicants are required to apply in the normal way. Applicants are advised that should they receive an offer for a place in the Indigenous subquota it will be conditional on providing evidence such as a certified copy of a community seal and/or a statutory declaration supported by a representative from an Aboriginal community confirming the applicant is of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Island descent.

Higher Education Subquota – Year 2 or Year 3 Entry

Students currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Medical Science can apply for transfer to the Bachelor of Medical Science (Vision Science)/Master of Optometry program after completing the first or second year. Students must have completed a specific program of study as part of the Bachelor of Medical Science and gained a minimum GPA of 5.0 (credit average). There will also be a formal interview process. Ranking for offers of places will be based on an entry score combining GPA (65%) and the interview derived score (35%).

Clinical Placements

Clinical placements are an integral part of the degree and successful applicants must meet specific requirements before they can participate in these placements. Students must pass a medical and physical fitness examination, complete all necessary immunisations and have a criminal history check before they can undertake clinical placements.

ATAR and Selection Rank profile

The table below shows ATAR and Selection Rank data for students offered a place wholly or partly on the basis of an ATAR, commencing in Semester 1, 2017.

ATAR-based offers only across all offer rounds	ATAR Excluding adjustment factors* (i.e. bonus points)	Selection Rank ATAR plus any adjustment factors (i.e. bonus points)
Highest rank to receive an offer	99.95	99.95
75th percentile rank to receive an offer	99.47	99.95
Median rank to receive an offer	98.85	99.95
25th percentile rank to receive an offer	97.83	99.95
Lowest rank to receive an offer	83.45**	99.70

Notes:

* Adjustment factors may include: bonus points, rural and remote subquota, uniTEST

** Offer made on a selection rank based on Universities Equity Scheme/ Language, Literacy & Mathematics Bonus Points Scheme results/ Rural and remote subquota/ uniTEST results/ Year 12 performance

1) Includes commencing students only

2) Where a recalculated Selection Rank is used (e.g. uniTEST applicants), the rank is not published and therefore not included in the data above

Student Profile

The table below gives an indication of the likely peer cohort for new students at Flinders University, categorised by basis of admission. Data is based on students that commenced undergraduate study in Semester 1, 2017.

Applicant background	Semester 1, 2017	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
Year 12 (Students offered on the basis of Secondary Education, IB or equivalent)	41	77.36%
Higher Education Study (Students offered on the basis of previous higher education study)	12	22.64%
TAFE/VET Award (Students offered on the basis of a completed TAFE/VET award)	N/A	N/A
Adult Entry (Students offered on the basis of STAT)	N/A	N/A
Other (Students offered on the basis of Flinders Foundation Studies, other tertiary preparation courses, special consideration [e.g. Indigenous Admissions Scheme])	N/A	N/A
International students	N/A	N/A
All students	53	100%

Notes:

N/A – No enrolments

1) Includes commencing students only

2) Student numbers for combined degrees will appear in both courses including where both courses fall in the same course grouping.

Further information

Further information is available at www.flinders.edu.au/study/