

# Super-Curricular Guide: Medicine



# What Does UCAS Say...?

## **Entry Requirements:**

A levels – To get on to a medical and dentistry degree, you will require three A levels and A grades. Typically chemistry and biology A level are required, with some schools preferring a third related science subject. It is important to check individual requirements with each university.

Pharmacology related degrees generally require A level chemistry and normally one other subject from biology, physics or maths. In other allied medical professionals (i.e. physiotherapy, radiology, speech therapy and nursing) you will generally need at least one science A level. Depending on the field biology may be preferred, again check individual course requirements.

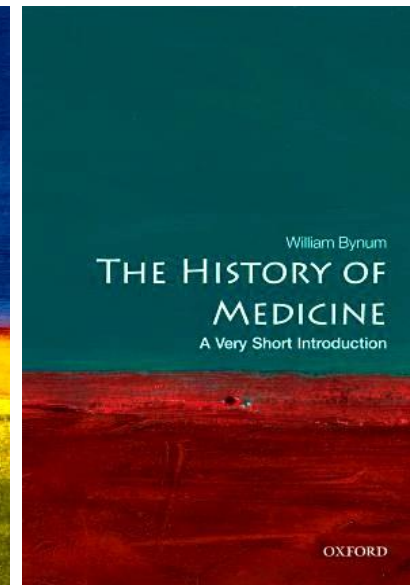
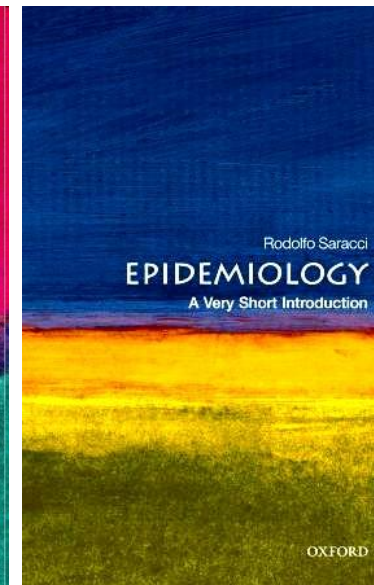
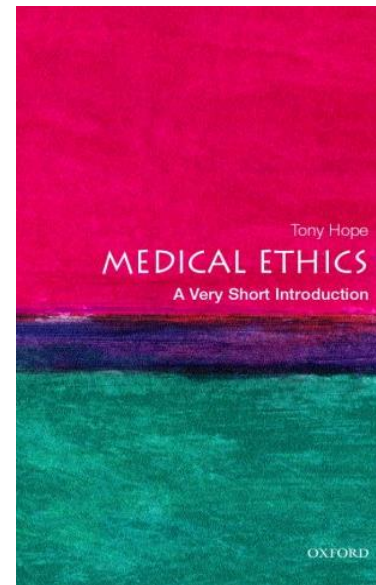
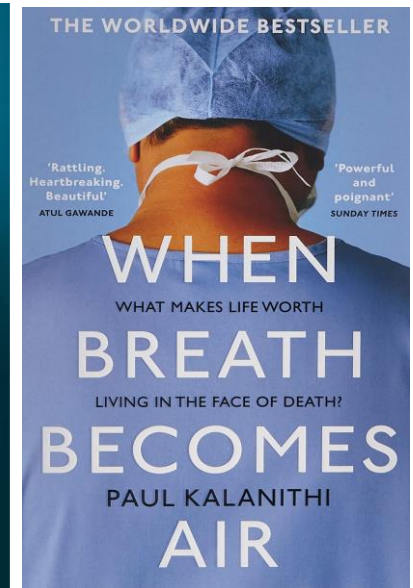
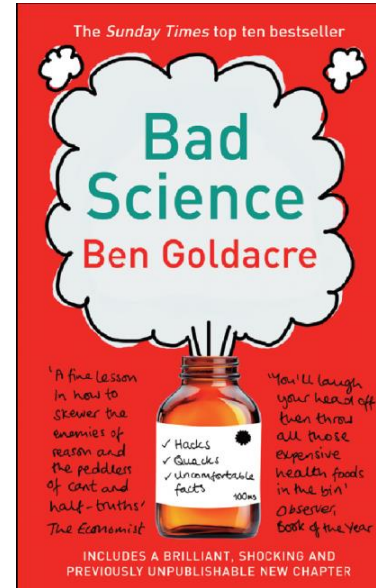
Entry requirements generally range from CCC to AAB, with the universities and colleges most commonly asking for BBB.

In addition to the different A level requirements above you will also need at least five GCSEs (A-C) including science, English, and maths.

A few universities offer a foundation year (known as a 'gateway year') for medicine and dentistry. These are for applicants who don't achieve the grades required or hold the appropriate A level subjects. These courses are generally aimed at those who come from disadvantaged backgrounds and or from families that do not have a tradition of entering higher education.



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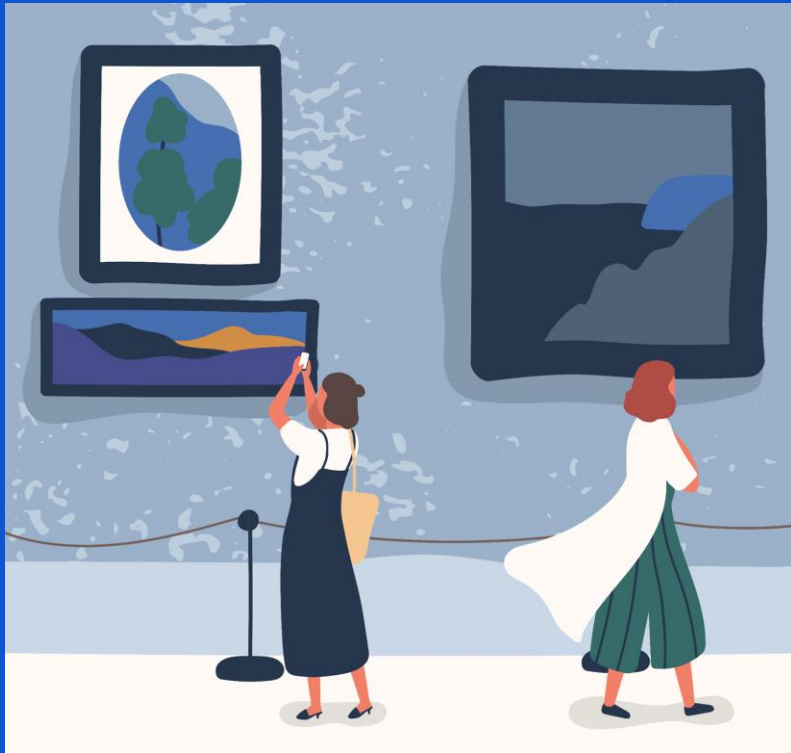
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### Science Museum

The Science Museum's medical collections have a global scope and coverage probably not bettered in the world.

The Wellcome Wing, with its focus on bioscience, makes the Museum the world's leading centre for the presentation of contemporary science to the public.

*The Science and Art of Medicine* and *Glimpses of Medical History* galleries closed permanently on 21 September 2015 in preparation for the 2019 opening of a £24m new medicine gallery. This will transform the first floor of the Science Museum, creating a magnificent new home for the Museum's medicine collections. Until it opens, you can enjoy a temporary display entitled [Journeys Through Medicine: Henry Wellcome's Legacy](#).

### St Bartholomew's Hospital Museum

St Bartholomew's Hospital is approaching the 900th anniversary of its foundation in 1123; the hospital museum tells the story of nine centuries of healthcare at the edge of the City of London. The permanent exhibition of original and facsimile archives, objects and works of art, includes Rahere's grant of 1137 – the oldest document in the hospital archives – and the 1546 agreement between Henry VIII and the City of London which refounded the hospital. The objects on display in the museum are only a small part of the collections – to find out more, [search our catalogue online](#). Objects and archives from the hospital collections can be accessed for research at [Barts Health NHS Trust Archives](#).

The museum is located in the hospital's historic North Wing, adjoining the Grand Staircase with its vast and spectacular paintings by William Hogarth, and overlooks the famous 18<sup>th</sup> century square designed by James Gibbs.



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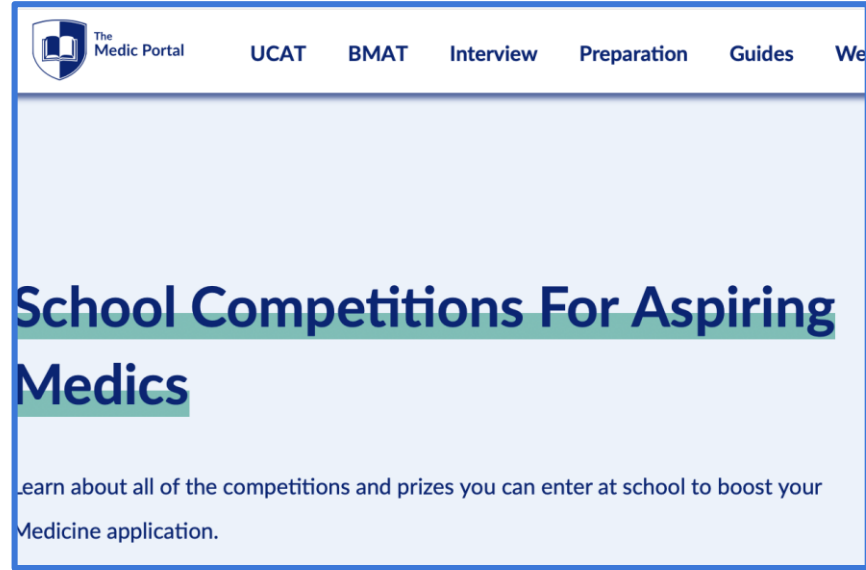
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- What did you do?
- What was interesting, significant and relevant?
- How was your perception or view of the subject matter changed?
- What did you agree or disagree with and why?
- What further questions were raised?
- What could you do to explore these questions further?
- What skills or understanding were developed?

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