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1. Imperial College London	2,310 (2026)	No offer cutoff stated	2,460	2,510	Band 3	N	N	Ranked
2. Oxford	2,537.2 avg (2026)	No fixed cutoff	Under review	Under review	Not used to shortlist	Y	Y	No fixed
3. Bristol	2,270 (2026)	No offer cutoff stated	2,400	2,450	N	Min only	N	Y (100%)
4. Cambridge	No minimum threshold	No minimum threshold	2,400	2,450	N	Y	N	No fixed
5. University College London	2,300 (2026)	No offer cutoff stated	2,400	2,450	Tie-break	Min only	N	Y (100%)
6. Sheffield	2,070 (2025-26 cycle)	No offer cutoff stated	2,300	2,350	Scored	Min only	N	Ranked
7. Newcastle	Cohort-dependent ranking	No offer cutoff verified	2,265	2,315	Bands 1-3	Eligibility only	N	UCAT ranking (international)
8. Liverpool	2,010-2,220 estimate (2027)	No offer cutoff verified	2,255	2,305	Not used (international)	Min only	N	Ranked
9. King's College London	No fixed minimum	No offer cutoff verified	2,250	2,300	Not used to shortlist	Scored / equivalents	Y	Combined; no fixed minimum

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10. Plymouth	Varies by admissions cycle	No offer cutoff verified	2,230	2,280	Not used	Min only	N	Cohort threshold
11. St Andrews	1,710 (2026 overseas A100)	No offer cutoff verified	2,230	2,280	Confirm interview policy	Min only	N	Ranked
12. Hull York	No fixed published cutoff	No offer cutoff verified	2,220	2,280	Bands 1-3; up to 15 pts	Best 6 / equivalents	Y	Up to 35 points
13. City St George's	Annual threshold; 500 per subtest	No offer cutoff verified	2,220	2,270	Used with MMI for offers	Min only	N	Ranked by applicant group
14. Birmingham	No fixed UCAT minimum	No offer cutoff verified	2,185	2,260	Confirm current policy	Min only	N	See international policy
15. Barts & Queen Mary	2,170 (2026 overseas A100)	No offer cutoff verified	2,200	2,250	Bands 1-3	Min only	Y	Weighted UCAT / qualifications
16. Glasgow	Varies by cohort	No offer cutoff verified	2,200	2,250	Confirm current policy	Min only	N	Cohort UCAT threshold
17. Leeds	No raw cutoff verified	No offer cutoff verified	2,200	2,250	Confirm current policy	Scored; see current policy	Y	Combined academics / UCAT
18. Leicester	No predetermined cutoff	No offer cutoff verified	2,200	2,250	Bands 1-3	Scored; route-specific	Y	50% pre-interview

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19. Nottingham	No raw cutoff verified	No offer cutoff verified	2,200	2,250	Band 4 excluded; see policy	Current scoring unconfirmed	Confirm policy	Current points unconfirmed
20. Aston	No fixed lower cutoff	No offer cutoff verified	2,180	2,230	Not scored	Eligibility only	N	UCAT-only overseas ranking
21. Brighton & Sussex	Above 1,980 (2025-26 overseas)	No offer cutoff verified	2,180	2,230	Bands 1-3	Min only	N	Ranked
22. Exeter	Cohort-dependent Exeter score	No offer cutoff verified	2,175	2,225	Confirm current policy	N	Y	Academic / UCAT score; see policy
23. Southampton	Ranked; no current cutoff verified	No offer cutoff verified	2,170	2,220	Confirm current policy	Min only	N	UCAT ranking
24. Manchester	2,250 (2026)	No offer cutoff stated	Under review	Under review	Band 2	Min only	N	Threshold
25. Queen's Belfast	No raw cutoff verified	No offer cutoff verified	2,150	2,200	Confirm current policy	Do not apply Home points	Confirm international policy	International policy confirmation needed
26. Aberdeen	1,730 lowest interviewed (2026)	2,120 mean (2026; not cutoff)	2,120	2,170	Not in cognitive score	Academic attainment considered	Y	20% final; academics 30%, MMI 50%
27. Keele	1,950 eligibility minimum (international)	No offer cutoff verified	2,110	2,160	Bands 1-3	Min only	N	Ranked after minimum

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28. Kent & Medway	1,850 (2025-26 non-graduate minimum)	No offer cutoff verified	2,110	2,160	Bands 1-3	Min only	Y	Threshold + contextualised selection
29. Cardiff	No fixed UCAT threshold	No offer cutoff verified	2,100	2,150	Confirm current policy	Achieved qualifications scored	Y	UCAT decile / academic score
30. Lancaster	1,900 (2026 overseas A100)	2,045 mean (2026; not cutoff)	2,100	2,150	Bands 1-3	Min (points)	N	Ranked
31. Dundee	No minimum cutoff	No offer cutoff verified	2,000	2,050	Confirm current policy	Y (min)	Confirm selection formula	No fixed share verified
32. Edinburgh	1,850 minimum (2027)	No offer cutoff stated	2,000	2,050	Scored; Band 4 out	Y (best 8)	Y	Y (17.5%)
33. Norwich (UEA)	Current overseas cutoff unverified	No offer cutoff verified	1,890	1,940	Current policy unverified	Min only	N	Current stage/weight unverified
34. Brunel	Not required (international)	Not applicable	N/A	N/A	Not applicable (international)	Min only	N	Not applicable

How to use this reference

The interview column identifies the measure and cycle. A minimum makes an application eligible; a historical interview threshold shows where a previous cohort was shortlisted; a mean is an average, not a minimum; a forecast is an estimate.

Offer reference: no verified cutoff means this review did not establish a published raw UCAT offer threshold. It does not mean UCAT is ignored. Interview performance and other selection criteria may determine offers.

HK targets: these are original October UNIKEY planning goals, not university requirements, predictions or safe scores. Oxford and Manchester targets are withdrawn pending recalibration because they were below the cited historical overseas shortlist mean or threshold. Other targets have not been recalibrated.

Scoring: use the international school-leaver route unless another route is stated. Home, contextual and graduate rules can differ. A weighting must be tied to its selection stage. “Unverified” or “Confirm policy” marks a detail not established from the accessible official source in this review.

The original stars are omitted. They reflected historical June 2026 Hong Kong recognition annotations and are not current guarantees. Check the exact qualification, graduation cohort and registration pathway with the Medical Council. Recognition alone does not grant registration. Nottingham 2027 BMBS recognition was not confirmed in this review.

Do not rescale old 3,600-total UCAT results by a simple ratio. The current cognitive test has three subtests. All school policies and figures should be rechecked before an application decision.

Medical Council of Hong Kong: special registration requirements

School notes and official sources

1. Imperial College London

Official 2026-entry overseas interview threshold; not a 2027 guarantee.

https://www.imperial.ac.uk/media/imperial-college/medicine/study/undergraduate/A100-FOI-FAQs-2026--v1.pdf

2. Oxford

International shortlist mean, not a minimum. The 2,377.5 shortlist / 2,407.1 offer means are overall-cohort figures. The October HK targets are withdrawn pending recalibration: they were below the historical overseas shortlist mean (Oxford) or interview threshold (Manchester). The October HK targets are withdrawn pending recalibration: they were below the historical overseas shortlist mean (Oxford) or interview threshold (Manchester).

https://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/study/medicine/pre-clinical/statistics

3. Bristol

Official 2026 overseas interview threshold, not an offer threshold. The 2027 ranking threshold depends on the cohort.

https://www.bristol.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/2027/medicine/mb-chb-medicine/

4. Cambridge

For 2027 entry: UCAT considered with other evidence; no minimum threshold; SJT not used.

https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/courses/medicine-mb-bchir

5. University College London

Official overseas interview figure for the 2026 cycle; previous scores do not predict a later cohort.

https://www.ucl.ac.uk/study/prospective-students/school-teachers-and-counsellors/tests-tasks-and-interviews

6. Sheffield

Historical A100 overseas ranking cutpoint. The 2027 eligibility minimum is 1,800; meeting it does not guarantee an interview.

https://sheffield.ac.uk/smph/undergraduate/medicine-admissions

7. Newcastle

International A100 shortlisting uses UCAT after eligibility checks, not the Home academic/UCAT formula. Band 4 is excluded. The handout's 2,170 is not verified as a current overseas threshold.

https://www.ncl.ac.uk/medicine/study/undergraduate/apply-medicine/

8. Liverpool

School-published prospective overseas estimate, not an observed cutoff. SJT is not used for international applicants. This row concerns the school-leaver A100 route; graduate test requirements differ.

https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/media/livacuk/schoolofmedicine/admissions/E2027,SOM,Admissions,Frequently,Asked,Questions,.pdf

9. King's College London

Current course page describes UCAT/GCSE/context ranking. It states that SJT is not used in shortlisting. No fixed raw interview/offer cutoff is established by those figures.

https://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/courses/medicine-mbbs/requirements

10. Plymouth

Official UCAT guidance states that the interview threshold changes by cohort and SJT is not currently included. The handout's 1,980/2,040 are not verified current overseas interview/offer cutoffs.

https://www.plymouth.ac.uk/study/outreach/medicine-dentistry-biomedical-healthcare/ucat-advice

11. St Andrews

Historical minimum selected for interview, not a predicted 2027 cutoff. The official course page distinguishes Scottish, rest-of-UK and overseas groups. Check current SJT/interview use separately.

https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/medicine/medicine-bsc-a100/

12. Hull York

Shortlisting: UCAT up to 35 points, GCSE/equivalents up to 35, SJT up to 15; contextual points apply where eligible. Band 4 is excluded. Raw-score proxies do not represent this points-based selection method.

https://hyms.org.uk/medicine/applying/selection-procedure

13. City St George's

Applicants are ranked separately by fee status and graduate category. Each cognitive subtest must be at least 500. Overall threshold varies; MMI and SJT inform offers, with UCAT potentially considered after interview.

https://www.citystgeorges.ac.uk/prospective-students/courses/undergraduate/medicine/2027

14. Birmingham

The official entry page states that no minimum UCAT cutoff is set. The earlier 2,025/2,220 estimates are not confirmed published international thresholds. Current international selection/SJT details require the selection policy, not the Home scoring formula.

https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/about/college-of-medicine-and-health/birmingham-medical-school/applying-to-medicine/entry-requirements-medicine-and-surgery-five-year

15. Barts & Queen Mary

Official A100 overseas interview cutoff for 2026. The 2027 eligibility rule is fourth decile or above and SJT Bands 1-3. Current selection describes weighted UCAT/qualifications; a universal 50% share is not confirmed.

https://www.qmul.ac.uk/fmd/study/undergraduate/courses/admissions-statistics-for-medicine--dentistry/

16. Glasgow

Academic eligibility is screened before UCAT thresholds are set for the cohort. The handout's 2,100/2,150 are not verified current overseas interview/offer cutoffs. Confirm SJT use against the current UCAT policy.

https://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/admissions/frequentlyaskedquestions/

17. Leeds

UCAT is required for the exact MBChB route. The 2,100 proxy is not an observed raw-score cutoff. Academic scoring and UCAT are combined; check the current selection document for its precise scoring and SJT treatment.

https://courses.leeds.ac.uk/5580/medicine-and-surgery-mbchb

18. Leicester

2027 FAQ: academic evidence and UCAT each contribute 50%; Band 4 is excluded. The bottom two UCAT deciles are capped in scoring. Achieved-grade routes have additional rules; 1,950/2,000 are not universal thresholds.

https://le.ac.uk/-/media/uol/docs/academic-departments/medicine/study/mbchb/entry-requirements/a100-five-year-mbchb-faqs-2027-entry-final.pdf

19. Nottingham

The accessible 2027 BMBS page excludes SJT Band 4. Do not carry the old 40-point UCAT / best-eight-GCSE formula forward without the current selection document. Historical recognition annotation is not confirmation for the 2027 BMBS qualification.

https://cdn-uon-live.nottingham.ac.uk/studywithus/ugstudy/courses/UG/Medicine-BMBS.html

20. Aston

For 2027 overseas applicants, interview ranking uses UCAT total only after academic eligibility; academics are not awarded ranking points. SJT is not scored. No published interview/offer threshold is established by the earlier 1,980/2,050 estimates.

https://www.aston.ac.uk/hls/aston-medical-school/advice-zone/faq

21. Brighton & Sussex

Official overseas interview threshold for the 2025-26 cycle is strictly above 1,980, with SJT Bands 1-3. This is historical and not the 2027 threshold. The handout's 2,030 is not a verified offer cutoff.

https://www.bsms.ac.uk/undergraduate/applying-to-bsms/index.aspx

22. Exeter

School-leaver selection combines academics and UCAT; the threshold is set after results arrive. Other applicant routes may require GAMSAT. A 1,975 raw proxy and fixed 25% weighting are not confirmed by this source.

https://www.exeter.ac.uk/undergraduate-degrees/bmbs-medicine/faqs/

23. Southampton

BM5 shortlisting ranks eligible applicants using UCAT. The 2,020 handout figure has not been established here as a dated overseas threshold and should not be labelled a current cutoff.

https://www.southampton.ac.uk/courses/medicine-bm5-degree-bmbs

24. Manchester

Official historical overseas threshold for five-year A106; do not substitute the Home or graduate-entry threshold. The October HK targets are withdrawn pending recalibration: they were below the historical overseas shortlist mean (Oxford) or interview threshold (Manchester). The October HK targets are withdrawn pending recalibration: they were below the historical overseas shortlist mean (Oxford) or interview threshold (Manchester).

https://www.bmh.manchester.ac.uk/study/medicine/apply/data/

25. Queen's Belfast

2027 course information links a detailed admissions policy and separates international interviews. The current international scoring/SJT formula could not be verified from the accessible policy document; do not substitute the Home GCSE-point system.

https://www.qub.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate/medicine-mb-a100/

26. Aberdeen

Official 2026 overseas data: lowest UCAT interviewed 1,730, interviewee mean 2,010 and offer-holder mean 2,120. These are not 2027 cutoffs. The application process gives final weights of academics 30%, UCAT 20% and interview 50%; 20% is not a stand-alone pre-interview share. The cognitive score excludes SJT.

https://www.abdn.ac.uk/smmsn/undergraduate/medicine/admissions-data/

27. Keele

Current international eligibility minimum is 1,950, with SJT Bands 1-3. Eligible international applicants are ranked by UCAT; minimum eligibility is not an interview guarantee. The minimum is an eligibility rule, not the interview threshold.

https://www.keele.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/undergraduatecourses/medicine/medicineentryrequirements/

28. Kent & Medway

The 1,850 minimum belongs to the previous cycle and is not promised for 2027. SJT Bands 1-3 are required. Contextualised selection means a higher raw UCAT does not necessarily give priority. The earlier 1,910/1,970 estimates are not official thresholds.

https://kmms.ac.uk/entry-requirements-2027/

29. Cardiff

2027 policy combines achieved qualifications and UCAT decile ranking. UCAT can be used in shortlisting/offer selection and a further cutoff may be applied. The earlier 2,025/2,080 proxies are not raw-score thresholds; consult the exact academic scoring rules.

https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/documents/3095806-school-of-medicine-variation-to-admissions-policy-for-2027-entry

30. Lancaster

Official 2026 overseas A100 interview cutoff; a small borderline pool up to 10 points below thresholds could be interviewed as places became available. Overseas offer-holder mean was 2,045, not a cutoff. SJT Band 4 is excluded.

https://www.lancaster.ac.uk/lms/medicine-and-surgery/admissions-data/

31. Dundee

The official 2027 entry page states that there is no minimum UCAT cutoff. The earlier 1,845/1,900 estimates are not current cutoffs; the precise current academic/UCAT weighting and SJT treatment need the selection policy.

https://www.dundee.ac.uk/undergraduate/medicine/entry-requirements

32. Edinburgh

Eligibility minimum, not the score guaranteeing an interview. UCAT, SJT and academics contribute to ranking.

https://medicine-vet-medicine.ed.ac.uk/edinburgh-medical-school/medicine/applying/how-to-apply/requirements/ucat

33. Norwich (UEA)

The official UCAS 2027 listing confirms UCAT is required. Direct UEA course access was unavailable. The earlier 1,690/1,750 estimates and selection-stage weighting are unverified.

https://www.ucas.com/explore/courses/d5942814-e448-d3a5-643d-afad3c6a8386/medicine?studyYear=2027

34. Brunel

The current course policy does not require UCAT/GAMSAT for international applicants. Home applicants follow different admissions-test rules; do not apply Home SJT exclusions to this international row.

https://www.brunel.ac.uk/study/courses/medicine-mbbs