



FACULTY OF MEDICINE

The University Of Botswana Faculty Of Medicine's Call for Application for Postgraduate Masters Degrees in Medicine (MMed): January 2020

Background: The Faculty of Medicine at the University of Botswana (UB) offers both under-graduate (MBBS) and post-graduate (MMed) degrees.

This announcement invites applications for post-graduate training programmes in the Faculty that will begin in January 2020. For more information about UB or its post-graduate programmes please visit the following UB websites: (www.ub.bw) and (www.ubotho.net).

Post-graduate Training Opportunities (4-year MMed):

- Family Medicine (Hospitals and clinics in Ramotswa, Mochudi, Mahalapye, Maun and Molepolole)
- Internal Medicine (Princess Marina, Stellenbosch University and University of Cape Town affiliated academic hospitals)
- Paediatrics & Adolescent Health (Princess Marina and University of Witwatersrand affiliated academic hospitals)
- Public Health Medicine (UB, Ministry of Health & Wellness (MoHW) and DHMTs around the country)
- Anatomical Pathology (UB, National Health Lab and South African academic medical laboratories)
- Emergency Medicine (Princess Marina and University of Cape Town affiliated academic hospitals)

MMed Programme Content; Each programme has three components; course work, examinations (primary and exit) and a research-based dissertation. Trainees must successfully complete all these in order to qualify for an award of an MMed degree from UB and for specialist registration with the Botswana Health Professions Council (BHPC).

Requirements: The programmes are open to Botswana citizens as well as to non-citizens. Applicants should have completed medical training at a recognized medical school and have been in active clinical practice for at least two years by **31st October 2019**, at least one of which must have been in an approved internship programme. Applicants who have successfully done Part I (primary) examinations of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa in Paediatrics, Internal Medicine and Emergency Medicine will stand a better chance of being selected into those programmes.

Transfers: Any Motswana who started postgraduate training elsewhere and for whatever reason has not been able to complete the programme and still wants to pursue their studies, may be eligible to transfer into these UB programmes on a case-by-case basis.

The Positions: MMed trainees will be on full-time training though working in MOHW facilities. All programmes except Family Medicine and Public Health Medicine will involve rotations in South Africa, for at least 12 months (Paediatrics) and at least 24 months (Anatomical Pathology, Internal Medicine and Emergency Medicine).

Financial Sponsorship: All MMed programmes are offered on a full-time basis. Students will have to arrange sponsorship before they enroll. The sponsorship should cover the cost of training and welfare. Proof of financial support will be a pre-requisite for confirmation of selection for those who are successful at interviews.

Application Procedures:

All prospective applicants are to make their applications online through the University of Botswana website: www.ub.bw. Admissions -> Post Graduate Applications. Prospective students may use any Internet facility available to them to apply or use UB internet facility located at School of Graduate Studies Offices (Block 247/First Floor).

BEFORE APPLYING

Make sure the following documents are readily available:

- Copy of Application fee receipt (payment can be made through UB website, At the top right corner you will see " UB Payment" Click there)
- Certified copy of Degree Certificate (s)
- Certified copies of qualifications and degrees as well as official transcripts from the applicant's medical school
- Three recent and signed letters of reference
- Certified copy of National Identity Card (Omanq for citizens) and Passport for international applicants
- A statement of approximately 500 words indicating why the applicant is seeking postgraduate training in the particular specialty.
- An up-to-date curriculum vitae listing education, work experience and relevant personal information including active e-mail addresses and mobile telephone numbers.
- Copy of proof of change of surname (where applicable) N.B. All former UB students who have changed their surnames should use surnames they used while they were students at UB so that the system will easily map their student ID to their surname and to their previous record. The new surname could be captured through SGS offices once the applicant has been admitted.

Selection: Shortlisted applicants will be invited for interviews, which will be oral, but may involve a written/practical component in some programmes. The final assessment mark will be 30% experience, 30% academic qualifications and 40% interview. Candidates who are successful will be notified by **27th September 2019** and should be available to start training on **Tuesday 7th January 2020**.

Deadline: All applications should be received by **30th August 2019**.

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