

# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

## BIMS SOM-HP EXPECTATIONS FOR ENROLLMENT:

Every aspect of the Admissions process is competitive. From the moment you submit in inquiry card to your last question of the interview, we will be comparing your interactions with us to other applicants, best practices, and the expectations of the Admissions Committee.

### Prior to matriculation at the BIMS SOM-HP, each applicant should meet the following admissions requirements:

1. Satisfactory completion of four years of accredited secondary school education and a Bachelor's degree / Post-Baccalaureate Requirements (reflected on Official Transcripts) – from an accredited college or university are necessary. Applications from students with three years of exceptional undergraduate work completed will be considered (At least 90 credit hours from an accredited college or university are necessary) or
2. **One full academic year of:**
  - English Composition
  - Calculus or Statistics
  - Physics with Labs
  - Biology with Labs
  - General Chemistry with Labs
  - Organic Chemistry with Labs
3. The quality of medical school applicants is quite high. Successful candidates typically have both sciences and overall grade point averages of 3.1 or above. However, BIMS SOM-HP shall consider our applicants to have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and have completed the following course work.
 

• Biology:	A minimum of eight semester hours.
• Inorganic Chemistry:	A full course of at least eight semester hrs.
• Organic Chemistry:	A full course of at least six semester hours.
• Physics:	A minimum of eight semester hours
• English:	A minimum of six semester hours of composition and literature.
• Behavior Sciences:	A minimum of six credit hours of courses in the behavioral sciences.
4. Applicants originating from the Caribbean must have CAPE 1 and 2 or Preuniversity College (PUC) or Intermediate College Sciences from India, with majors in Biology,

Physics, Chemistry and or Mathematics. If required these students must be able to provide proof of 90 credit hours to enroll into MD program at the BIMS SOM-HP.

5. All other students originating from Asia, Africa, Europe and other continents must produce equivalent testing scores and or Pre-Med requirements prior to matriculation at the BIMS SOM-HP.
6. Applicants with grade point average (GPA) of less than 3.0 will be considered for enrollment based on a few other metrics that shall be taken into consideration. Such as:

### **OPTIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

#### **1. Clinical Experience (Optional but highly recommended):**

- Minimum of 200 hours of patient care experience reflected in either professional or volunteer healthcare environments reflecting the general trend in medical education to bring clinical experiences earlier and earlier in curricula, we expect BIMS SOM-HP students to be comfortable and poised, reflecting the highest levels of professionalism from their first day with us.

#### **2. MCAT SCORES (optional):**

- If there is one available, each applicant originating from the United States and Canada must submit 'Medical College Aptitude Test scores (MCAT) or equivalent testing scores, including previous scores if the test was taken more than once.
- MCAT Report from AAMC with Verification Code – **is not required** but highly recommended particularly if there is some area of weakness reflected in your transcript(s).

### **In addition to the above requirements the following is mandatory:**

- Since 2005, the Association of American Medical Colleges has recommended that all medical schools conduct background checks on applicants in order to prevent individuals with convictions for serious crimes from being matriculated.
- Therefore, we recommend that all applicants to have a Police Clearance Certificate from the country of their origin, issued specifically for enrollment at BIMS SOM-HP.