

# ARE YOU CONSIDERING MED SCHOOL?



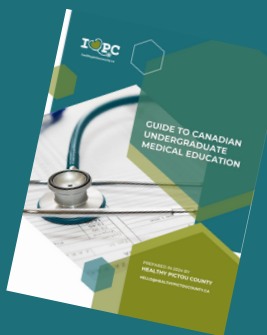
It's a great time to be a rural Nova Scotian considering medical school! With the opening of Cape Breton Medical Campus (CBMC), Dalhousie Medicine has created a Rural Applicant Pathway designated for rural Nova Scotia residents. Thirty students will be admitted to the CBMC each year and will attend classes in Sydney, Nova Scotia.

Medical schools seek well-rounded applicants with diverse backgrounds. While there are no distinct requirements for high school education, there are some things you can do to help build your chances of success.

## About Healthy Pictou County

We are a community-based, physician-led organization dedicated to attracting physicians and other allied healthcare providers to Pictou County. This includes supporting medical learners and prospective medical students.

For further guidance, visit [www.healthypictoucounty.ca](http://www.healthypictoucounty.ca) to find Healthy Pictou County's 'Guide to Canadian Undergraduate Medical Education'



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## Take Courses that Challenge You

While a full course load is not required, applicants should be aware that the undergraduate medical curriculum is a rigorous, full time curriculum. Being able to maintain a full academic schedule with a minimum GPA is strongly recommended as it most likely approximates and prepares applicants for the academic capacity necessary to successfully meet the expectations of the undergraduate medical education curriculum.

## Extracurriculars & Life Experience

The Personal Statement, Supplemental Information and Multiple Mini-Interview are used as tools for assessing non-academic factors and personal qualities that are expected to contribute positively to the profession of medicine. These include social values, critical thinking, communication skills, empathy, resiliency, intellectual curiosity, teamwork, leadership and more. The Personal Statement and Supplemental Information is your opportunity to present yourself and describe how your life experience has brought you to choosing a career in medicine and will contribute to success at Dalhousie medical school and the medical profession.

## Undergraduate Planning

Dalhousie Medicine Admissions Committee recognizes that the appropriate academic preparation for the study of medicine can be acquired through many varied educational backgrounds. Apply for an undergraduate degree that interests you but note that having some experience in sciences will help build a foundation for your learning in medical school. In high school watch for any courses you may need as a prerequisite for your desired university program.