



OUM Admissions Policy: Transfer Policy and Procedure (Recognition of Prior Learning)

Purpose

This policy outlines the Transfer Policy and Procedure (Recognition of Prior Learning) applied to all OUM Applicants for Admission to the University. It defines the process used to make decisions about admitting transfer students to the MD Program and the credit for prior coursework.

Scope

OUM demonstrates its continuous commitment to supporting qualified Applicants who apply to the University by providing a defined Transfer Policy and Procedure (Recognition of Prior Learning) for all Applicants.

Application

This policy relates to the Transfer and Procedure (Recognition of Prior Learning) and should be read in conjunction with the definitions and criteria below.

Definitions

Table 1. Definitions

Definition	Explanation
Applicant	One who has formally applied to OUM.
PCE	OUM's pre-clinical exam required in the pre-clinical phase of the MD Program.

Transfer Students Policy and Procedure Overview

Applicants must fulfill the requirements in the **Admissions Policy: Selection/Scoring Criteria and Rubric** document to be eligible for admission.

OUM accepts transfer students from other medical schools as long as the student and the medical school from which they are transferring meet the requirements set forth by OUM. Successful Applicants must have remained in good standing, with a minimum pass grade through continuous enrollment at a single medical school. Credits from multiple medical schools will not be accepted. Applicants who wish to transfer to OUM prior to completing the pre-clinical coursework will have their former classes reviewed and evaluated by OUM for transfer credit. Applicants who have completed their pre-clinical coursework, must pass OUM's pre-clinical exam (PCE) and complete



and pass the Clinical Skills Course (CSC) in order to commence the clinical phase of the MD Program.

Medical School Transfer Requirements

Students wishing to transfer to OUM must be transferring from a medical school which is:

- Listed in the World Directory of Medical Schools—a joint publication of the Foundation of the Advancement of International Medical Education and Research (FAIMER) and the WFME,
- Registered in good standing with the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) Medical Credentials Reference Library, and
- Accredited by an accrediting body recognized by WFME at the time of the student's enrollment.

Applicant Transfer Requirements

Transfer Requirements for All Students

- As mentioned above, Applicants must fulfill the requirements in the **Admissions Policy: Selection/Scoring Criteria and Rubric** document to be eligible for admission.
- Applicants must have original, written letters of recommendation from at least two (2) faculty members familiar with their work. Letters must be on university letterhead. If the school has dissolved since the student attended, the student must explain and prove that he/she attempted to obtain these letters in good faith.
- Applicants must have an original letter of recommendation from the Dean of Student Affairs of his/her current medical school, attesting to the Applicant's professional behavior, good conduct, and standing with the school. If the school has dissolved since the student attended, the student must explain and prove that he/she attempted to obtain this letter in good faith.
- If the student is transferring from a medical school in a non-English speaking country, the Applicant may be required to provide an approved English proficiency test score, and the transcript will need to be converted by a transcript conversion service approved by OUM.
- The application must contain a detailed explanation stating the reason(s) the student wishes to transfer from his/her previous medical school to OUM.
- Upon applying for admission to OUM the transfer Applicant must submit the certified medical school transcript to be evaluated for course content compatibility and compatibility with local requirements.
- Coursework will be valid for no more than two (2) years.
- Additional conditions may apply to the Applicant based on other factors, including but not limited to, the intended country of practice.
- Transfer students are not accepted to the final year of the program except under exceptional circumstances.
- Courses completed in pre-clinical (basic sciences) must be comparable or equivalent to the OUM curriculum.



Transfer Requirements for Pre-Clinical

Transfer Applicants who have completed a foundational course in pre-clinical equivalent to OUM's General Principles course may enter the next available Organ System and may have to complete some coursework asynchronously if required.

Transfer Requirements for Clinical – AUS/NZ/Samoa

- Transfer Applicants who have completed their medical school's pre-clinical curriculum equivalent to the OUM pre-clinical curriculum, as determined by the Admission Panel, and who have not completed any clinical rotations may enter the 72-weeks of clinical rotations. The Admissions Panel will determine the need to do a Clinical Skills Course and 20-weeks of Clinical Transition Units before commencing rotations.
- Transfer Applicants who have completed their medical school's pre-clinical curriculum equivalent to OUM pre-clinical as determined by the Admission Panel, and who have completed some rotation(s) no more than one (1) year ago, may enter and complete no less than 48-weeks of rotations.

Transfer Requirements for Clinical – US or Canada

- Students in the USMLE Pathway must complete USMLE Step 1 before commencing the clinical phase of the Program.
- Transfer Applicants who have completed their medical school's pre-clinical curriculum equivalent to OUM's pre-clinical as determined by the Admission Panel, and who have:
 - Successfully passed USMLE Step 1 in no more than two (2) attempts, but have not completed any clinical rotations, may enter the 72-weeks of clinical rotations.
 - Successfully passed USMLE Step 1, and who have completed some, but not all, of their clinical rotations may enter and complete no less than 48 weeks of rotations.
 - Not taken USMLE, must complete USMLE Prep Course, successfully pass NBME within two (2) attempts and pass USMLE Step 1 within three (3) attempts.
 - Failed USMLE in two (2) or less attempts in the past one (1) year, must complete USMLE Prep Course, successfully pass NBME within two (2) attempts, and pass USMLE Step 1 within One attempt, before being allowed to complete 72-weeks of clinical rotations.
- Applicants expecting a residency in a US hospital must secure from their current medical school and/or hospital(s) any original, certified narrative evaluations, grade reports, transcripts, or other information required for the Medical Student Performance Evaluation (MSPE).

Associated OUM Supporting Documents

[Admissions Policy: Selection/Scoring Criteria and Rubric](#)

[OUM Admissions Process](#)

[Pre-Interview Screening Form](#)

[Applicant Scoring Criteria and Rubric Form](#)



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