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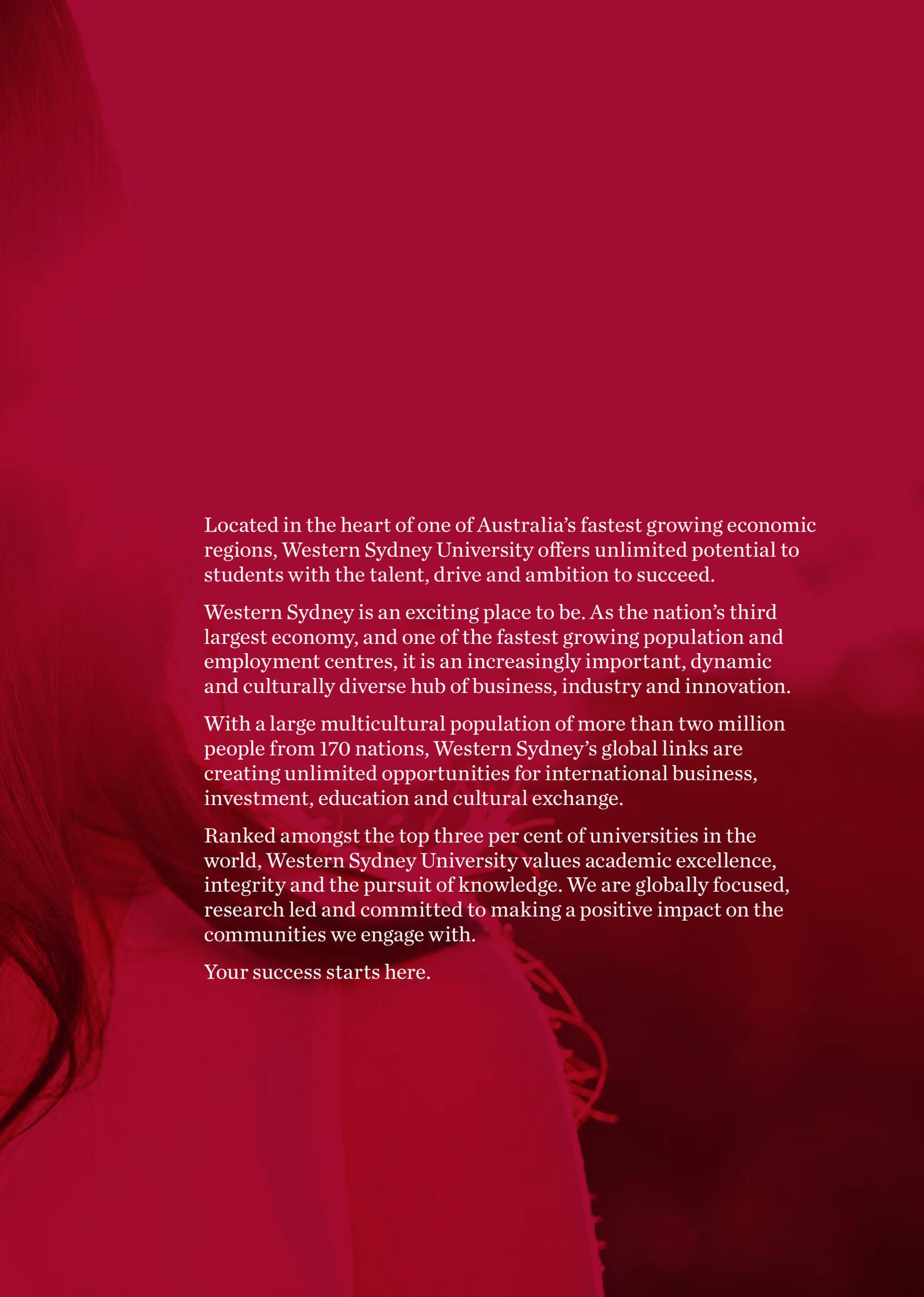


MEDICINE
2018





**WE ARE
WESTERN
SYDNEY**



Located in the heart of one of Australia's fastest growing economic regions, Western Sydney University offers unlimited potential to students with the talent, drive and ambition to succeed.

Western Sydney is an exciting place to be. As the nation's third largest economy, and one of the fastest growing population and employment centres, it is an increasingly important, dynamic and culturally diverse hub of business, industry and innovation.

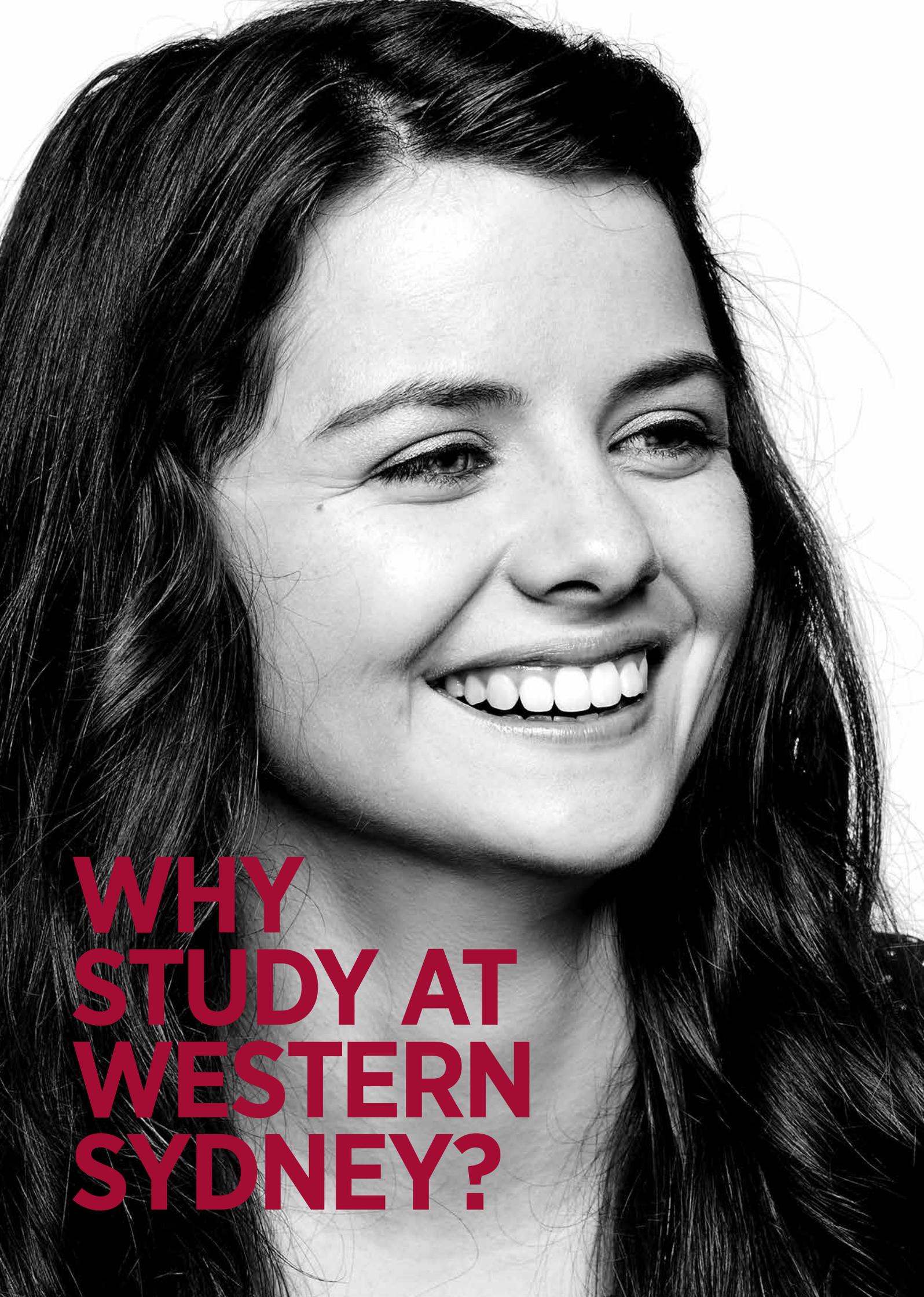
With a large multicultural population of more than two million people from 170 nations, Western Sydney's global links are creating unlimited opportunities for international business, investment, education and cultural exchange.

Ranked amongst the top three per cent of universities in the world, Western Sydney University values academic excellence, integrity and the pursuit of knowledge. We are globally focused, research led and committed to making a positive impact on the communities we engage with.

Your success starts here.







**WHY
STUDY AT
WESTERN
SYDNEY?**

→ **BE A LIFE SAVER**

Advances in medicine rely on advances in knowledge. It's why 10 years ago Western Sydney University created a new kind of School of Medicine. Since then we've seen over 600 graduates enter the medical profession and make a difference. Our Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery offers an innovative degree that combines problem-based learning and intensive clinical practice with leading theory and research. As you progress through the degree you'll find yourself moving from classroom to clinical placements ensuring the utmost competence and confidence in your future career.

→ **PURPOSE-BUILT FACILITIES**

Our innovation doesn't stop with how you'll learn. It carries through to where you'll learn too. Taught out of our Campbelltown Campus, our world class facilities boast stimulated learning spaces for clinical skills learning, an anatomy laboratory, state of the art research facilities, and our brand new neuroscience behavioural investigation laboratory. It's why our School of Medicine is one of the most advanced medical training centres in Australia. As a graduate you won't just be highly skilled, you'll be highly prepared for your internship and have a range of career paths to choose from including Medical Practice, Medical Research, Administration or Medical Teaching.

The primary clinical schools you'll be based in Years 1 & 2 are new and fit for purpose. The Blacktown/Mt Druitt Clinical School was opened in 2014 and the new facility for the Macarthur Clinical School at Campbelltown Hospital welcomed students in 2017.

→ **FIVE FOCUSED YEARS**

The five years of your medical degree at Western Sydney University will prepare you for the opportunities and challenges of a medical career, and you will get started in the first week experiencing the health care environment. Integrating scientific knowledge, clinical experience and a range of research opportunities, you'll be ready to start the next stage of your medical career straight after graduation.

→ **IT'S A SHARED EXPERIENCE**

With small cohorts that begin their journey together at the Campbelltown campus, you'll develop relationships with fellow students who will become your lifelong colleagues. As a School recognised for inclusiveness, our students reflect the diversity of the Australian community, and indeed that of Western Sydney. And in addition to learning together, you might also find them packing birthing kits as part of global health campaigns, playing an annual soccer match against staff or working together on student well-being initiatives.

→ **RESEARCH PATHWAYS**

The field of health and medical research can make such a difference to people's lives, and during your medical degree at Western Sydney, we will not only make sure that you understand how to apply research to your work and for your patients, but also explore questions in different environments (laboratories, hospitals, general practices and the community). And if you discover a particular research interest, we'll help identify the best pathway for you to pursue it, supervised by experienced and well-regarded researchers based at the School.

→ **A LOCAL AND GLOBAL EXPERIENCE**

Across the five years of your medical degree, you will be experiencing hospital, general practice and community services across Sydney, and Western Sydney in particular. You'll also experience health care in rural New South Wales during the later part of the program. And in your final year, you identify and organise your own elective experience – it might be in Australia, but it could also find you (as it has previous students) in Nepal, Japan, South America, the United Kingdom or Fiji – just to name a few.

→ **FUTURE POSSIBILITIES**

What was a new medical school only ten years ago, Western Sydney is proud of its engagement with its community and contribution to the growth of the health services of the region, especially Campbelltown, Liverpool and Blacktown/Mt Druitt Hospitals. And we are also proud of our graduates who are undertaking specialist training in disciplines including: Surgery, Cardiology, General Practice, Dermatology and Radiation Oncology. You may even meet some on campus who have returned to teach those who follow in their footsteps. service and the staff are incredibly supportive and helpful. It was my first experience working with people with disabilities. It was challenging but a great experience and very rewarding,' says Jesse, who is now working as a GP with these very services.

→ **FREE DIGITAL TEXTBOOKS**

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Future thinking. Unlimited possibilities. The Academy at Western Sydney University.

Success is not just about getting a degree, but developing the critical thinking and leadership skills to support a successful career.

It's about learning skills for your chosen life, not just a job.

The Academy at Western Sydney University offers advanced degrees that prepare you to thrive in the face of change and seize success at every opportunity. Whether your dream is to achieve as a professional, an entrepreneur or an academic, you will learn to think differently and creatively in whatever you do.

The Academy offers high-achieving students a unique, hands-on approach to learning in an interdisciplinary environment. Led by Associate Professor Jonathon Allen, The Academy draws on the unique experience of leading thinkers, social change agents, community leaders, and high-achieving students both past and present.

With a focus on ethical leadership and critical thinking, built on the pillars of academic rigour, community engagement, and professional and personal development, The Academy offers students access to:

- unprecedented opportunities for industry and real life experience
- world-class research, researchers, teachers, experts and innovation labs
- travel to national and international leadership experiences and conferences
- a range of professional and personal development workshops
- internship, service learning and volunteering opportunities
- personalised career planning
- applied leadership experience in student-led, community-focused projects.

Visit westernsydney.edu.au/theacademy for more information.





**THINK
BIG**



Bachelor of Medicine/ Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS)

COURSE	UAC CODE	CRICOS CODE	WS CODE	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	ATAR
B Medicine/B Surgery (MBBS)	725500	060218G	4641	March	Campbelltown	5F	N/A

Recommend Studies: Chemistry.

Key: B = Bachelor of; F = Full-time; N/A = Not applicable, additional selection criteria apply. See Applicant Checklist page 14.

Advanced professional skills and lifelong learning are needed to work effectively in medicine today. Western Sydney University's Medical Program provides that foundation through a combination of intensive problem-based and clinical learning, underpinned by research. As a first or second year student, you will learn with the Problem-Based Learning (PBL) method using authentic, case-based materials to link you with real-life practice from the first week.

Lectures, resources, and clinical teaching will focus on the learning opportunities that each problem creates.

From third to fifth year, you will learn through immersion in clinical and community settings, working as a member of healthcare and community teams to ensure the utmost competence and confidence in your future career.

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

In third to fifth years you will rotate through clinical placements across Western Sydney and rural and remote NSW. Starting in the first week of Year 1, you will start learning with real patients in hospital and community settings. Distinctive features of the University's curriculum include three full years of immersive learning in clinical and community-based placements. These range from tertiary specialist and general hospitals, GP practices, community-based services and, unique to our program, Aboriginal Medical Services in Western Sydney and across NSW. An internship of one year is a requirement of general registration in Australia. Internships are organised by the Health Education and Training Institute (HETI) in NSW, or equivalent bodies in other states.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Our graduates are eligible for registration with the Medical Board of Australia (via the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency) and its equivalent in New Zealand, and will be able to apply for registration in overseas countries. General registration in Australia also requires successful completion of an approved internship after completing your degree. Please note that many countries require foreign graduates to undergo additional assessments before they are registered to practice in that country.

MEDICAL RESEARCH

There are many opportunities to participate in and conduct your own medical research during the standard Bachelor of Medicine/ Bachelor of Surgery degree. Some students may also wish to take a year off after the second year of the course to complete 12 months of intensive research in the Bachelor of Medical Research program, and then return to the medical program to graduate with dual degrees. High performing students are eligible to enrol in the embedded Honours program, completing a program of research simultaneously with their medical degree, and graduate with MBBS Honours.

What will your MBBS experience involve?

Medicine is an integrated curriculum, using problem-based learning to place learning about medical science in a clinical context. Four themes run throughout the course: Patient Care; Health in the Community; Personal and Professional Development; and Scientific Basis of Medicine. Clinical exposure (contact with patients) begins in the first year and intensifies throughout the program.

CORE UNITS AND ELECTIVES

To graduate with a Bachelor of Medicine/ Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS), you will be required to complete the core units of Foundations of Medicine 1 and 2, and Integrated Clinical Rotations 1, 2, 3 and 4. For detailed information about the course structure and units, visit westernsydney.edu.au/edu.au/courses

You'll be exploring key areas of medical practice across your degree including, specialties of Internal Medicine and Surgery, Paediatrics, Mental Health, Oncology, Critical Care and General Practice. And during your elective or through a research projects, you can choose to deepen your experience and interest in a specific area of clinical practice.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a graduate of the Medical Program, you will be able to choose and combine from a range of career options, including:

- medical practice – the MBBS prepares students to become practising doctors within Australia, New Zealand and many other countries in the world. To practise in Australia or New Zealand, you must complete a one year approved internship to be eligible for general registration. To then qualify in a medical specialty, you must complete additional training. The training required varies with the specialty chosen and can take from three to six years.
- medical research – as a Western Sydney University medical student, you will receive foundational training in medical research skills to set you up for future opportunities to do research. In addition, you have the chance to acquire an additional research qualification (Bachelor of Medical Research), by adding one year to the MBBS. High-performing students are invited to join the Honours program, completing research training at the same time as the medical program, and graduate with MBBS Honours.
- medical teaching – medical teaching careers can involve an academic post in a university, or you may teach students and junior doctors as part of your clinical work.

LOCATIONS

In the first two years of the course, you will study at the purpose-built medical school on the Campbelltown campus and a clinical school at Campbelltown, Camden or Blacktown/Mt Druitt Hospitals.

In the later years, you will be required to spend one or more clinical rotations outside the Sydney metropolitan area, as well as rotating through a number of different locations within metropolitan and rural NSW Sydney, to give you the experience you need to be a doctor in the 21st century.

This will be across hospitals, general practices, community organisations and Aboriginal Medical Services.

Approximately 25 per cent of our students will have the chance to study medicine for 12 months at one of our rural clinical schools, based at Bathurst and Lismore. Subsidised purpose-built student accommodation is available at both sites.



Entry Requirements

Selection is on the basis of: academic merit (ATAR or its equivalent, for those without a completed degree; grade point average in their most recent degree, for graduate applicants); results of the Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT); and performance at an interview. For entry into the Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery for the 2018 cohort, an ATAR or equivalent of at least 95.5 (93.5 for applicants from Western Sydney) is required for school leavers or those with an incomplete degree. For graduates, a grade point average of 5.6 is required (or 5.1 for WS applicants). Please see the school website (westernsydney.edu.au/medicine) for more information.

RURAL ENTRY ACCESS SCHEME

The Rural Entry Access Scheme (REAS) offers a minimum of 15 places specifically for rural students to study medicine, commencing in 2018. It is open to current school leavers, non-current school leavers and graduates.

REAS is available for candidates who have lived in an RGSA-RA of two to five for a minimum of five years consecutively or 10 cumulative years, commencing from the age of five.

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For graduates, a grade point average of 5.1 for WS applicants. Please see the school website (westernsydney.edu.au/medicine) for more information on the Rural Entry Access Scheme.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER OPPORTUNITIES

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students with an interest in being a doctor and helping others through medical care are strongly encouraged to apply. The School of Medicine recognises the large Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population in Western Sydney and the need for more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander doctors.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants should have successfully completed at least the equivalent of the NSW HSC. It is desirable, but not essential, to sit the UMAT (Undergraduate Medical and Health Sciences Admission Test).

The most important criteria for admission will be assessment of the applicant's desire to study medicine and their likelihood of succeeding in the course. These will be determined by the School of Medicine on a case-by-case basis.

Please contact Cris Carriage, Indigenous Program Officer, School of Medicine, at c.carriage@westernsydney.edu.au or call the Course Information Centre on **1300 897 669** for further information.

The School of Medicine website is located at westernsydney.edu.au/medicine with information for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants available on the How to Apply pages.

How to apply

DOMESTIC STUDENTS

In accordance with Government policy, 28.5 per cent of our students will be offered Bonded Medical Places. For more information about the Bonded Medical Places Scheme, please see the information on the Department of Health website – health.gov.au/bmpscheme

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

If you are an international student completing one of the following qualifications in 2017, you must apply through UAC International:

- an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia
- an International Baccalaureate
- a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3.

You can lodge your application online at uac.edu.au/international

All other international students must apply direct to Western Sydney University. Western Sydney University international application forms, 2018 international tuition fees and further information about studying and living in Australia can be found at westernsydney.edu.au/international

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A ONE OF A KIND DEGREE IN DATA SCIENCE.

In the world of tomorrow, data skills will be essential – no matter what other qualifications you may have. Western's new Bachelor of Data Science is a one of a kind. It's unique because it can only be studied in conjunction with another degree. This is a real advantage in a competitive environment. Graduates who understand the intricacies of extracting information and knowledge from data are highly sought after, whatever their discipline.

Blend Data Science with courses like Marketing, Engineering, Information and Communications Technology, Science or Psychology to graduate with a combined degree.

It will all add up to an unstoppable future. Find out more about what our Bachelor of Data Science degree can offer.

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APPLICANT CHECKLIST

1

ONLINE REGISTRATION

In addition to your UAC or apply direct application, submit an online registration form with the School of Medicine, Western Sydney University by 5pm Friday 29 September 2017. Late applications will not be accepted. Applicants currently (or previously) enrolled in a B Medicine/B Surgery or equivalent at another university, including a combined medical degree, are not eligible to apply via this pathway. These applicants must apply via the Transfer Request process. For details, visit westernsydney.edu.au/medicine/som

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REGISTER AND SIT UMAT

Register and sit the Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test at umat.acer.edu.au with the Australian Council for Education Research. Registrations open in early 2017 and have strict closing dates.

3

INTERVIEWS

For those applicants who meet both UMAT and academic threshold, attend an interview in Sydney in late November 2017. A few interviews will be offered in late January for interstate applicants and for those whose predicted ATAR or equivalent was below the threshold, but whose actual ATAR or equivalent is above the threshold for consideration.

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BE SELECTED

Be selected in competition with other eligible applicants. Selection is on the basis of:

- (a) academic merit
- (b) results of UMAT
- (c) performance at a multistation mini interview.

A declaration regarding Western Sydney eligibility forms part of the School of Medicine Registration form. Visit westernsydney.edu.au/medicine/som

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ADVANTAGE ENTRY PROGRAMS

Western Sydney University provides the following Advantage Entry programs*:

BEFORE THE ATAR

→ Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS)

If you apply to the SRS through UAC, you may be eligible for a guaranteed offer even before your ATAR is released. Apply through UAC by 30 September 2017.

WESTERN'S EXCITING NEW EARLY OFFER PROGRAM - COMING SOON

At Western, we do things differently. In 2017 we are giving HSC students the opportunity to plan their futures early because we believe your hard work matters.

Register now to receive information from Western Sydney University about our exciting, new early offer program westernsydney.edu.au/earlyoffer

* Conditions apply. For more information, visit westernsydney.edu.au/advantage

PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS

Western Sydney University is not only about obtaining an education. We also challenge ourselves to engage students who will get involved and make a difference to the University and wider communities. The University has a unique set of scholarships on offer, reflecting our strong commitment to academic excellence and opportunity for Western Sydney students. Our scholarships support students who have diverse interests and skills, and who make an active contribution to the community.

The University works closely with business, industry and the community to ensure we offer scholarships that meet the needs of our students. Our scholarships provide our students with support and give them the opportunity to establish professional relationships while they study.

Take the time to examine our scholarships and make the most of your opportunities for success. For details on scholarships, including the eligibility criteria and how to apply, refer to westernsydney.edu.au/scholarships or call **1300 897 669**.

IMPORTANT DATES

2017

August

Open Day
27 Parramatta campus, 10am-3pm

September

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Future Students Information Evenings
12 Campbelltown campus
14 Penrith campus

November

Western U Days
16 Campbelltown campus, 9.30am-2pm
17 Bankstown campus, 9.30am-2pm

2018

May

Mid-Year Expo

July

Parent Information Sessions

August

Open Day

More information:

westernsydney.edu.au/events

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