



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Faculty of Medicine



## **INDIGENOUS MD ADMISSIONS WORKSHOP**

**JULY 28-30, 2021**

The 18<sup>th</sup> annual Indigenous MD Admissions Workshop will take place virtually, with a focus on the Northern Medical Program located on the University of Northern British Columbia campus in Prince George, BC.

### **EXPLORE A FUTURE IN MEDICINE**

If you are thinking about pursuing a future in medicine, this is a unique opportunity to learn how UBC can support you in your studies and connect with an inclusive, caring community of medical practitioners, students, and faculty.

Our annual pre-admissions workshop for Indigenous pre-med students isn't just for those already in university. Prospective students, including post-secondary and high school students can explore what it means to attend university and embark on a journey to becoming a healthcare professional.

### **JOIN A CARING COMMUNITY**

Being part of a community is important—it helps people feel connected to traditions and knowledge unique to them. At the UBC Faculty of Medicine, we are a community that celebrates our students' diverse perspectives on healthcare and Indigenous ways of knowing.

For eighteen years we've been providing the Indigenous MD Admissions Workshop dedicated to welcoming Indigenous people into our faculty and supporting them as they make a commitment to study medicine. We know that our annual workshop will give you an introduction to our community and help you feel more confident about your decision to study medicine.

## WHY ATTEND?

### To learn

- Find out about prerequisites, course planning, and get a preview of the medical curriculum and residency programs.
- Get an overview of the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT), and learn about the UBC interview process by participating in mock interviews.
- Gain familiarity with the application process and admission requirements.

### Meet faculty & staff

- Hear stories from doctors and faculty who chose UBC.
- Learn about student supports from a member of the Student Affairs team.
- Get the facts about your financial options from the Faculty of Medicine's Student Financial Assistance Officer.

### Feel supported

- Learn about preparing your application from our MD Indigenous Initiatives Coordinator.
- Better understand specific Indigenous resources and support for students with Indigenous ancestry, including Status & non-Status Indians or Treaty, Métis & Inuit peoples.
- Hear from a local Elder during the opening and closing remarks.
- Ask questions of Indigenous medical students and residents to learn about their experiences.
- Find out more about what pursuing a career in medicine entails.



If you're feeling apprehensive about pursuing a medical degree, our workshop is one of the best ways to reduce your doubts, fears, or anxieties about pursuing your goal of becoming a medical doctor. You'll gain personal insights and guidance about your choice to study medicine with us.

We are excited about the remarkable students, alumni, and faculty who will be presenting and advising over all three days of the workshop and we hope you'll join us in July 2021.

### WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

There is *no cost* to attend the workshop.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, our workshop will look a little different than it has in the past. We have made the decision to host the 2021 workshop virtually, and successful applicants will be sent the Zoom information in the summer.

When we are able to host the workshop in person again, the university will cover your accommodations and meals, however travel to/from the workshop will be your responsibility.

### NEXT STEPS: YOUR WORKSHOP APPLICATION

Apply online at:

[https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0D4S4HRDke8seKV](https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0D4S4HRDke8seKV)

Along with your application, you'll need to prepare and submit:

- A 500-word autobiographical essay, including who you are and why you want to become a doctor.
- A copy of your most recent transcripts or report card.
- A copy of your proof of ancestry such as status, treaty and Métis membership cards. We also accept written letters of support from your Band, Inuit and Métis organizations.

We encourage you to get your application in as soon as possible. If you have any questions about the workshop, please reach out to us.

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