1. General Information

Applicants with one of the following qualifications are eligible to join the post-graduate programs at the American University of Beirut Faculty of Medicine and Medical Center.

- Graduates of medical schools in the United States and Canada accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME)
- Graduates of colleges of osteopathic medicine in the United States accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA)
- Graduates of medical schools (outside the United States and Canada) registered in the International Medical Education Directory (IMED) [http://www.faimer.org](http://www.faimer.org) and who meet one of the following qualifications:
  i. Have received a currently valid certificate from the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates prior to appointment
  ii. Having passed the USMLE Step 2 Clinical Knowledge or equivalent (International Foundations of Medicine Clinical Science Examination -IFOM CSE) and an English Proficiency Exam
- Graduates of medical schools outside the United States who have completed a Fifth Pathway program provided by an LCME-accredited medical school
- Graduates of the American University of Beirut’s Faculty of Medicine

2. Qualifying Examinations

Graduates of medical schools (outside the United States and Canada) and who have obtained their medical degree from an approved medical school listed in the International Medical Education Directory (IMED) other than AUB are required to sit for (1) an English proficiency examination and (2) Clinical Medical Science Examination that can be either USMLE Step 2 Clinical Knowledge or its equivalent, the International Foundations of Medicine Clinical Science Examination (IFOM CSE).

1. English proficiency examination includes either TOEFL (minimum score of 573, 230, or 88 on PBT, CBT, or IBT respectively) or IELTS (minimum score of 7.0).

2. Clinical Medical Science Examination can be either:

   - The IFOM CSE* the covers the international core of clinical knowledge expected of students in the final year of undergraduate medical education in Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology and Psychiatry. For more information on the exam please refer to the NBME website at [http://www.nbme.org/Schools/iFoM/index.html](http://www.nbme.org/Schools/iFoM/index.html). For more information on registration to IFOM CSE at the AUB, please click on [Guideline for Registration to IFOM CSE at AUB](http://www.nbme.org/Schools/iFoM/index.html).

   - Or the US Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE) Step 2 Clinical Knowledge (CK)

Applicants who have completed their 3 years of residency training in Internal Medicine and who are interested in applying to the Neurology Residency Training Program for academic year 2014-2015 are exempted from sitting for the medical science exam (IFOM CSE or USMLE step 2 CK).

As for Dental Graduates, they are required to sit for (1) an English proficiency examination and (2) an entrance examination where the dates of the entrance exam are posted on the [Division of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics](http://www.orthodontics.aub.edu.lb) website in July of each academic year.
3. Available Programs:

Applications are accepted at the:

- First Postgraduate Year Level (PGY I) at the Departments of:
  - Anesthesiology *(Categorical Track)**
  - Diagnostic Radiology *(Categorical Track)**
  - Emergency Medicine *(Categorical & Preliminary Tracks)**
  - Family Medicine *(Categorical Track)**
  - Internal Medicine *(Categorical & Preliminary Tracks)**
  - Laboratory Medicine *(Categorical Track)**
  - Obstetrics and Gynecology *(Categorical & Preliminary Tracks)**
  - Pathology *(Categorical Track)**
  - Pediatrics *(Categorical & Preliminary Tracks)**
  - Psychiatry *(Categorical Track)**
  - Surgery *(Preliminary Track)*

- Second Postgraduate Year Level (PGY II) at the Departments of:
  - Dermatology where applicants have completed their PGY I in any discipline
  - Neurology where applicants must have completed at least one year of post graduate training in Internal Medicine. *The Internal Medicine Residency Training Program at AUB offers a PGY I Preliminary Track for residents interested in completing their residency training in Neurology at AUB.*
  - Ophthalmology where applicants must have completed their PGY I in any discipline
  - Radiation Oncology where applicants must have completed their PGY I in any discipline

Dental graduates are eligible to join the Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics residency program. This advanced education program is designed to carry clinical activities in a scholarly environment where basic science and clinical orthodontics are integrated. For more information on please go to the [Division of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics](#) website.

4. Requirements for Admissions

Applicants to any of the programs are required to submit:

- An online application form available from November 15, 2013 to December 20, 2013
- Certification of Identification Form, which will be emailed to the applicant after submission of the online application
- A photocopy of the applicant’s valid identity card **and** passport
- A Curriculum Vitae (CV) prepared within three months of the application
- A Personal Statement describing your interest in the specialty and career plans (only if applying to the Psychiatry program)
- Certified copy of the Medical Degree (MD) or if not applicable a Dean's letter from the Medical School from which the applicant is enrolled
- Certified copy of the medical school transcript of record
- A minimum of three letters of recommendation provided by faculty members who had an academic contact with the applicant
- Two recent, passport size, colored photographs of the applicant; one pasted on the Certification of Identification Form and the other for IFOM CS Examination Card to be issued by the Graduate Medical Education Office
- Application fee of $100.00 and an additional $100.00 examination fee for applicants registering for the IFOM CS Examination
• Score reports on steps in the United States Medical Licensure Examination or equivalent of the USMLE Steps 1, 2 Clinical knowledge (if applicable)
• Score reports on the International Foundations of Medicine Clinical Science Examination (IFOM CSE) (if applicable)
• Score reports of the English Language Proficiency examination for the Graduates of medical schools outside the United States other than Graduates of the American University of Beirut.

Any document not printed in English must be accompanied by an acceptable original English translation performed by a qualified translator. Each translation must be accompanied by an affidavit of accuracy acceptable to AUB.

5. Acceptance

Applicants with a competitive score on the IFOM CSE or USMLE Step 2 CK may be invited for an interview in one or more of the Departments of their choice. Several Departments require additional clinical examination supervised by a faculty member. Acceptance to any of the residency programs is highly competitive. The total number of applicants accepted is determined by the availability of positions.

* IFOM CSE is offered once a year at AUB premises. Applicants can register for the exam at AUB or at a limited number of Prometric centers throughout the Middle East. Applicants interested in sitting for the exam at AUB on Saturday January 4, 2014 can register for the exam while submitting their application at the GME Office from November 15, 2013 to December 20, 2013. For more information on IFOM CSE registration at AUB, please refer to the “Guideline for Registration to the IFOM CSE at AUB”. Applicants interested in sitting for the exam at a Prometric center can register online at https://wbt.nbme.org/order.

** Categorical track leads to certification in the chosen specialty where the length of training depends on the specialty. Preliminary track is a one year track that doesn’t lead to certification in the specialty. It is designed to provide a clinical training experience that will serve as knowledge and skill base for applicants seeking to continue their training in other specialties that require previous graduate medical education such as Dermatology, Neurology, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery, Radiation Oncology, General Surgery, Neurosurgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Plastic Surgery and Urology.