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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS & PROCESS

BIMS (SOM-HP) EXPECTATIONS FOR ENROLLMENT:

Every aspect of the Admissions process is competitive. From the moment you submit in inquiry card to your last question of the interview, we will be comparing your interactions with us to other applicants, best practices, and the expectations of the Admissions Committee.

Prior to matriculation at the BIMS (SOM-HP), each applicant should meet the following admissions requirements:

1. Satisfactory completion of four years of accredited secondary school education and a Bachelor's Degree / Post-Baccalaureate Requirements (reflected on Official Transcripts) – from an accredited college or university are necessary. Applications from students with three years of exceptional undergraduate work completed will be considered (At least 90 credit hours from an accredited college or university are necessary) or
2. **One full academic year of:**
 - English Composition
 - Calculus or Statistics
 - Physics with Labs
 - Biology with Labs
 - General Chemistry with Labs
 - Organic Chemistry with Labs
3. The quality of medical school applicants is quite high. Successful candidates typically have both sciences and overall grade point averages of 3.1 or above. However, BIMS SOM-HP shall consider our applicants to have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and have completed the following course work.
 - Biology: A minimum of eight semester hours.
 - Inorganic Chemistry: A full course of at least eight semester hrs.
 - Organic Chemistry: A full course of at least six semester hours.
 - Physics: A minimum of eight semester hours
 - English: A minimum of six semester hours of composition and literature.
 - Behavioral Sciences: A minimum of six credit hours of courses in the behavioral sciences.

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- Applicants originating from the Caribbean must have CAPE 1 and 2 or Preuniversity College (PUC) or Intermediate College Sciences from India, with majors in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and or Mathematics. If required these students must be able to provide proof of 90 credit hours to enroll into MD program at the BIMS SOM-HP.
- All other students originating from Asia, Africa, Europe and other continents must produce equivalent testing scores and or Pre-Med requirements prior to matriculation at the BIMS (SOM-HP).
- Applicants with a grade point average (GPA) of less than 3.0 will be considered for enrollment based on a few other metrics that shall be taken into consideration. Such as:

OPTIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Clinical Experience (Optional but highly recommended):

- Minimum of 200 hours of patient care experience reflected in either professional or volunteer healthcare environments reflecting the general trend in medical education to bring clinical experiences earlier and earlier in curricula, we expect BIMS SOM-HP students to be comfortable and poised, reflecting the highest levels of professionalism from their first day with us.

2. MCAT SCORES (optional and not a mandatory):

- If there is one available, each applicant originating from the United States and Canada must submit 'Medical College Aptitude Test scores (MCAT) or equivalent testing scores, including previous scores if the test was taken more than once.
- However, all the United States Citizens and the legal permanent residents of the United States must comply with the CAAM-HP regulatory requirements when applying for admission to BIMS (SOM-HP).
- MCAT Report from AAMC with Verification Code – **is not required** but highly recommended particularly if there is some area of weakness reflected in your transcript(s).

In addition to the above requirements the following is mandatory:

- Since 2005, the [Association of American Medical Colleges](#) has recommended that all medical schools conduct background checks on applicants in order to prevent individuals with convictions for serious crimes from being matriculated.
- Therefore, we recommend that all applicants have a Police Clearance Certificate from the country of their origin, issued specifically for enrollment at BIMS SOM-HP.

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QUALIFICATIONS at hand	CREDITS at hand	ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS required to achieve 90 credits	PROGRAM DURATION
Bachelor's Degree with the required Science subjects	90 Credits	Not Required	4- Year MD Program
Advanced Levels: Minimum 3 subjects BBB: Biology, Chemistry and either Math or Physics; Biology, Math or Physics is acceptable at AS level with strong science third A level	Evaluation and Confirmation of their credits by any member entity of the NACES is mandatory (www.naces.org)	** 1 Year PreMED at BIMS (SOM-HP)	1+ 4 Year Program (5 Years)
Associate Degree: 60 Credits or equivalent with Biology, Chemistries and Math	60 Credits	** 1 Year PreMED at BIMS (SOM-HP)	1+ 4 Year Program (5 Years)
INDIA: Students originating from India with 10+2years with 80% of credits	Evaluation and Confirmation of their credits by any member entity of the NACES is mandatory (www.naces.org)	** 1 Year PreMED at BIMS (SOM-HP)	1+ 4 Year Program (5 Years)
CAPE UNITS 1 & 2: A minimum grade of 2 in Biology, Chemistry and either Physics or Mathematics. If the students has a 1 at CAPE-1 level in either Physics or Mathematics, an additional subject can be considered	Evaluation and Confirmation of their credits by any member entity of the NACES is mandatory (www.naces.org)	** 1 Year PreMED at BIMS (SOM-HP)	1+ 4 Year Program (5 Years)
Full IB Diploma: A minimum scored of 32 points is required. 3HL Science subjects are recommended, minimum of 2L subjects required, which must include Chemistry and Biology; results 5 or higher,	Evaluation and Confirmation of their credits by any member entity of the NACES is mandatory (www.naces.org)	** 1 Year PreMED at BIMS (SOM-HP)	1+ 4 Year Program (5 Years)
Applicants with any other Academic Qualification not seen in the above list.	Evaluation and Confirmation of their credits by any member entity of the NACES is mandatory (www.naces.org)	Will be decided further to the submission of the evaluation from any member entity of NACES.	Will be decided further to the submission of the evaluation from any member entity of NACES
** The duration of PreMed course is subject to evaluation and confirmation of their credits at hand by any member entity of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). https://www.naces.org			

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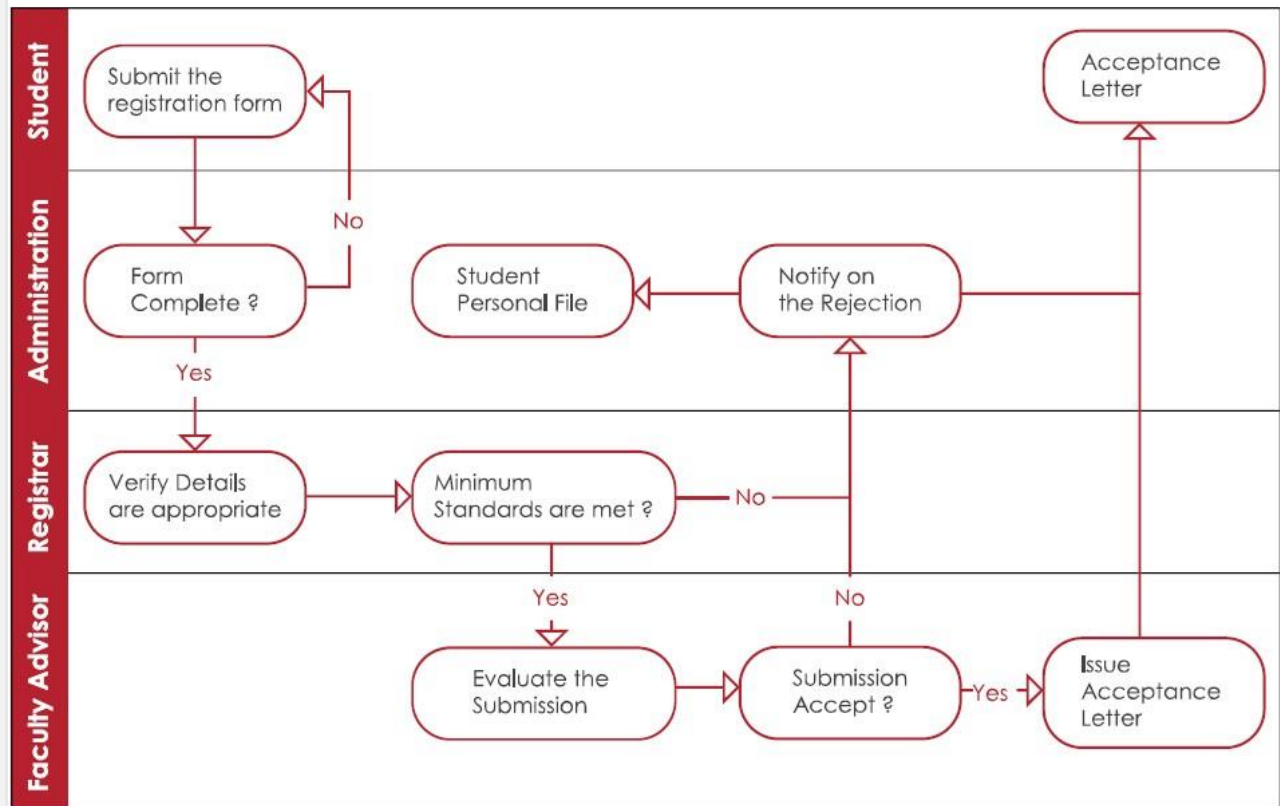
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ANALYTIC METRICS USED AT THE **BIMS (SOM-HP)** FOR THE APPLICANTS DURING THE ADMISSION / SELECTION

MAXIMUM SCORE = 10 POINTS:

- Academic Background = 3
- Work Experience = 3
- Community Service = 2
- Interview = 2

SCORING FACTORS	SCORE CLASSIFICATION	MAXIMUM APPLICABLE SCORES	POINTS SCORED
ACADEMIC BACKGROUND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's Degree/ Pre-Med (90 Credits) = 3 • Associate degree (less than 90 credits) = 2 • High School Diploma = 1 	3	
WORK EXPERIENCE (Internship) and or CLINICAL EXPERIENCE (Shadowing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 hrs over 2-year period = 3 • Less than 200 hrs and up to 100 hrs over 2Y period = 2 • Less than 100hrs in 2Y period = 1 	3	
COMMUNITY SERVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit the proof = 2 • No proof to submit = 0 	2	
INTERVIEW	Performance based. To be assessed and scored by the Admissions Team, to grant a maximum of 2 and a minimum of 1 point.	2	
		10 Points Max. Score	