

## Admissions Academic Scoring 2013/4

All applications are first read by our Admissions Team to ensure that the minimum academic requirements are met. Applications not meeting these requirements will be rejected at this stage. All students who meet the academic requirements will be considered for interview by our admissions tutors. Up to 100 students will be selected for interview on the basis of an exceptionally high academic score. A few students will be prioritised for interview based on contextual data or participation in the Keele access programme (Progression to Medicine) <http://www.keele.ac.uk/outreach/activities/post-16activities/progressionto/>. All other invitations for interview will be based on the scores awarded for the personal statement and reference. <http://www.keele.ac.uk/health/schoolofmedicine/undergraduatemedicalcourse/entryrouteshowtoapply/>

The scoring of academic achievement is constantly kept under review because student performance changes on a national basis from year to year. Furthermore the threshold depends upon the level of academic achievement of applicants, which also varies from year to year. Most students will have an academic score calculated on the basis of their achievements at GCSE and AS-levels or equivalent using the right of the table below. Those who have already achieved their A-levels will be assessed on these results along with the 4<sup>th</sup> AS or 4<sup>th</sup> A-Level using the left of the table below.

For the reasons outlined above no precise threshold mark can be given prospectively. Based on the normal calibre of our applicants it would be unlikely that anyone with achieved A levels/AS would be selected for interview on the basis of the academic score with any of the four assessed subjects less than an A and at least 2 A\* results. Similarly for those assessed on GCSE and AS results, the typical achievement required would be 7xA\* and 4xA respectively.

The scoring sheet is detailed below:

<b>Admissions Scores</b>					
<b>Applicants with achieved A-level grades</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Applicants in process of taking A-levels</b>		<b>Score</b>
<b>3 × A-levels</b>			<b>7 × GCSE</b>		
A* = 12			A* = 4		
A = 10			A = 2		
B = 6			B = 1		
<b>4<sup>th</sup> AS / EPQ</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> A-level</b>		<b>4 × AS</b>		
A = 6	As above ÷ 2		A = 3		
			B = 1		
<i>Max out of 42</i>			<i>Max out of 40</i>		