

Postgraduate Admissions Statement

MRes Health Sciences Research

Programmes covered

Health Sciences Research (MRes)

Applicants should also refer to the relevant prospectus entry for further programme details.

This admissions statement should be read in association with the [University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate Taught Programmes](#).

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Admissions cycle

2017

Application process

Online application

Applicants should complete the online application form, uploading all required documents directly into the application form. Guidance on uploading documents can be found in the [How to Apply FAQs](#).

Applicants should make every effort to choose the correct programme in the application form by reading the prospectus entry and admissions statements fully. Applicants should contact the relevant Admissions Team if clarification is required.

Application Deadline

There is an application deadline for this programme, which is displayed on the programme page of the University website.

Required documents

All documents must be translated into English. Degree certificates and transcripts should be certified copies and list subjects taken and grades/degrees achieved. If your degree is not yet complete, please provide transcripts of subjects taken and marks achieved to date. All documents must be uploaded into the online application form unless otherwise noted. Applicants who have already submitted an application can upload additional documents into the 'Post-submission uploads' section. You can find information about how to upload documents to your application form in our [How to Apply FAQs](#).

Required documents for this programme are:

- Two academic references

- Degree certificate(s) from your first and subsequent degrees
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- Personal statement
- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- English language certificates if English is not your first language and your qualifications are not from an English-speaking country (please see the English Language Requirements for a list of English-speaking countries)

Research statements should explain the research interests of the applicant and research training statements should summarise the research experience of the applicant. These are not obligatory but may strengthen the application.

Interviews

Interviews are not usually required, although in some cases applicants may be contacted and invited for interview to further assess their suitability for the programme.

Correspondence with applicants

Applicants will normally receive communication via email to the email address used to set up their application form account. Applicants should ensure that this profile email address is kept up-to-date.

Admissions criteria

Academic entry requirements

Applicants intercalating from the professional programmes of medicine, dentistry and veterinary sciences will need to have successfully completed year three before they will be considered for this programme. Graduates of these professional programmes are eligible to apply and would normally be expected to have graduated with good grades (at least 60%) and a high ranking in their class. Graduates in a biological or related science or medical subject will normally be expected to hold an upper second class honours degree (or international equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see our [International Office](#) website.

English language criteria for non-native English speakers

For applicants whose first language is not English, it is necessary to achieve a minimum score in an approved English language test specified in Profile B of the [University's English Language Requirements Policy](#).

You can find information about the University of Bristol's Pre-Sessional English courses at the [Centre for English Language and Foundation Studies website](#).

Reference criteria

Two academic references are required, preferably submitted by the referee using the secure online system. If this is not possible, references may be uploaded by the applicant. These should be on headed paper, with contact details and signed by the referee.

Personal statement criteria

The personal statement should clearly explain why the applicant wishes to study this programme, as well as the applicant's research interests.

Interview Criteria

Where applicable, interviews will be with the programme directors and last 30 minutes. They will either be carried out in person (if travel permits) or via teleconferencing.

Additional requirements

Research 'bench' fees are required and indicated in the fees section for this programme.

Selection process and offers

Selection process

All applications are considered in accordance with the [University's policy on equality and diversity](#). The University of Bristol upholds the principles of equality and diversity, respect and dignity. Candidates are not discriminated against on the grounds of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexuality, religion or belief, disability, health or age.

Applicants are considered by the programme directors and are assessed based on their qualifications/grades obtained at the time of application, their motivation to enter the programme (as assessed by their personal statement) and the two academic references.

Decisions

Applicants will be notified by email when a decision has been made and decision letters will be available to view and print by logging into their application.

Decisions will be made on complete applications as soon as possible. Offers will be made in writing by the faculty office as soon as possible after an applicant is accepted to the programme. If an offer is made, the applicant has a set time to accept or decline the offer, as indicated on the offer letter, after which time the offer will expire.

Deferrals

Deferred entry is possible but will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Deposits

A deposit is not required for this programme.

ATAS

An ATAS certificate is not required.