Oversubscription Policy
(2023/2024)
School of Medicine
A100, A10L, and A101 Medicine

1. Aims and Governance

1.1. In line with the University of Nottingham (“University”) Admissions Policy and compliance with the QAA UK Quality Code for Higher Education, the University’s School of Medicine conducts its student selection process in an objective, open, transparent, fair, and non-discriminatory manner. The selection process is subject to a maximum number of places based on English Government targets and limits for each academic year.

1.2. This policy applies to A100 Medicine, A10L Medicine and A101 Graduate Entry Medicine (“Programmes”) and explains:
   a) what is meant by oversubscription to these Programmes; and
   b) what the University will do in the event of oversubscription to the Programmes.

2. Offer Making

2.1. The University manages its offer-making in such a way that, in normal circumstances, there is a place for every offer-holder who meets or exceeds the exact conditions of their offer. However, there may be circumstances outside the reasonable control of the University (for example, unanticipated changes to assessment methods for GCSE or A-level qualifications, changes to the grading and/or award allocation process) which mean that the number of offer-holders meeting the conditions of an offer of a place on a Programme exceeds the number of places funded by the Office for Students for that year/date of entry (“oversubscription”).

3. Actions by the University in the event of oversubscription

3.1. In the event of oversubscription to a Programme, the University reserves the right to allocate places to offer holders in accordance with this policy up to the total Office for Students Medical intake target for 2023-2024 as set out in Section 4.
4. Allocation of places

4.1. All applicants who meet entry criteria and attend an interview are given a score according to the process set out on the Undergraduate Selection Process website page and the Graduate Entry Selection Process website page.

4.2. Medicine and A10L Medicine Programmes and for the A101 Graduate Entry Medicine Programme (“Interview Score”), with the top candidates made offers of study.

4.3. If there is oversubscription to:

   a) the A100 Medicine and A10L Medicine Programmes, offer-holders will be ranked in order using their Interview Score, with the maximum number of places available being the medical intake target for the 2023-2024 academic year published by the Office for Students. Where offer-holders have the same Interview Score, the University will use their UCAT score and SJT band to differentiate between them; and/or

   b) the Graduate Entry Medicine Programme, offer-holders will be ranked in order using their Interview Score, with the maximum number of places available being the medical intake target for the 2023/2024 academic year as published by the Office for Students. Where offer-holders have the same Interview Score, the University will use their GAMSAT score to differentiate between them and where offer-holders have the same Score and the same GAMSAT score, the University will use the section 3 GAMSAT score to further differentiate between them.

5. What happens if I am not allocated a place?

5.1. In the event of oversubscription, if you are not allocated a place on a Programme, the University will, wherever possible, try to:

   a) offer you the opportunity to defer your place to the next academic year; and/or

   b) discuss options for places on alternative medicine programmes at the University.

5.2. In the event of oversubscription, those candidates who are unsuccessful through the allocation process as outlined within this policy, or who do not meet the conditions of their offer, will be released from their offer as a priority on receipt of their results to enable them to pursue insurance, clearing, or other suitable options and offers.