

Mary Reid Scholarship to support widening access to Medicine

The Mary Reid Scholarship Programme was established in 2024 to support widening access to Medicine. The first scholarship will be awarded for September 2025 entry. The scholarship will support a student studying a medical degree (MBChB) who has gained access to the MBChB with support from the Reach programme (or is eligible to join the Reach programme during their year of application to medicine). It is awarded to eligible students who are domiciled in Scotland and classified as Home (Scottish) fees.

Description

The scholarship is valued at £4,000 per annum for each year of the 5-year MBChB degree. An additional £1000 is awarded at the start of the programme to purchase a laptop to support studies. The total value of the scholarship is £21,000.

Eligibility Criteria

The scholarship will be awarded based on financial need and potential for success on the MBChB. Applicants must meet at least one of the **Reach** eligibility criteria: <u>Reach | Study Here | The University of Aberdeen</u> (abdn.ac.uk) These characteristics include (but are not limited to) being resident in target postcode areas, having experience of being in care, being an unpaid carer or resident in an area considered to be Remote & Rural. Academic performance and personal circumstances will also be taken into consideration.

Application Procedure

To be awarded the scholarship, you must receive and then firmly accept an offer, either conditional or unconditional, of a place at the University of Aberdeen. Once you have received and accepted an offer for the Aberdeen MBChB programme you can then apply for this scholarship, and you will be required to submit supporting evidence. You must commence your medical degree at the University of Aberdeen in September 2025.

Please submit a 200-word Personal Statement highlighting your personal circumstances and how they could impact on your ability to study medicine. Information from your UCAS application will also be taken into consideration. Please make sure you include your name, UCAS number and email address and submit this to Dr Christine Kay, Curriculum Manager, email <u>c.d.kay@abdn.ac.uk</u>

Deadline

Applications can be submitted from 1 April 2025 to 15th of June 2025. If you have any queries, please contact Dr Christine Kay as above.