Med Sci 1 – What Ifs:

What courses and marks do I need to get into Med Sci 2?

- Only Med Sci 1 students may progress to Med Sci 2 by satisfying the conditions laid out in the Academic Calendar. The conditions are as follows:
  - Minimum marks of 60% are required in the first attempt at each half course in biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics (if physics is taken in Med Sci 1).
  - A full load of 5.0 courses must be taken during the Fall/Winter of Med Sci 1.
    - **Note:** Summer courses do not count towards your Fall/Winter course load.
  - You cannot fail any courses; but there is no minimum average requirement.

Can I progress to Med Sci 2 with a mark between 50-59% in one of my first-year biology/chemistry/math/physics half courses? Can I still apply to Year 3 BMSc?

- No, you need 60% in each half course to progress to Med Sci 2 but **DO NOT PANIC**!
- You will likely be placed in Science (BSc degree) for second year and can upgrade your mark in the summer or in Year 2 and apply to Year 3 BMSc via the competitive pool.
- If you have the prerequisites you can take all the 2000-level Admission Requirements for your desired BMSc module while upgrading your first year course.
- You may need special permission from the departments for courses lacking prerequisites.
  - **Note:** You can progress with a 50-59% in your elective course.

If I fail a course (<50%) in first year, can I progress to Med Sci 2?

- No, if you fail any course in Med Sci 1, you cannot progress to Med Sci 2. You can still apply through the competitive pool for Year 3 BMSc and will be placed in Year 2 Science.

I was admitted to Med Sci 2 but failed (<50%) a summer course, am I still eligible?

- No, if you fail any summer course (even a 2000 lvl) you are no longer eligible. You can still apply through the competitive pool for Year 3 BMSc and will likely be placed in Science.

When should I repeat my first year Math/Physics/Chem/Bio course if I failed (<50%)?

- **Math:** Can be repeated in the summer after Year 1 or in Year 2. Math is a prerequisite for Bio/Stats 2244A/B which is a 2000-level admission requirement for most BMSc modules.
- **Physics:** Can be repeated in the summer, Year 2, or even in the summer prior to Year 3.
- **Biology/Chemistry:** Should be repeated the summer after Year 1 so you have the prerequisite to take the 2000-level Biology and Chemistry BMSc admission requirements.
  - **Note:** Repeating in Year 2 may mean you can’t use that year towards Med School and may mean that you need an extra year to complete your degree.

When should I upgrade Year 1 Math/Physics/Chem/Bio if I received b/w 50-59%?

- **Math/Physics/Chemistry:** Can be upgraded in the summer between Year 1 and 2, in Year 2, or even in the summer prior to Year 3.
- **Biology:** Should be upgraded the summer after Year 1 so you have the prerequisite to take the 2000-level Biology admission requirements for Year 3 BMSc or a BSc module.
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**Can I drop a first term course and overload second term to keep a 5.0 course load?**

- It is uncommon and assessed on a case by case basis. We will wait to see your first term final grades in December before considering (no failures and an 80% average on 4 courses).

**What first year math should I take?**

- Math requirements can be found on the [Medical Science First Entry](#) page on the Academic Calendar and include at least 0.5 Calculus along with 0.5 from the approved list.

**How do I register for Med Sci 2?**

- Med Sci 1 students submit their ITR for Med Sci 2; module selection occurs in Year 3.

**I have an IB /AP credit for first-year Biology/Chemistry/Math/Physics. Will this be used in place of the Western half courses which require a minimum mark of 60%?**

- Yes, provided you don't repeat the first-year course at Western for which you were granted a transfer credit, your AP/ IB credit counts towards progression to Med Sci 2.
- If, however, you choose to repeat the course at Western, you must achieve 60% at Western.
  - **Note:** Remember you still require a full 5.0 course load during the Fall/Winter term.

**Admission to Year 3 BMSc via the Competitive Pool:**

- Admission to Year 3 BMSc is assured for Med Sci 2 students who satisfy module admission requirements and satisfy the conditions outlined in [Admission to the (BMSc) Program](#).
- It is unlikely Med Sci 2 students will fill the ~500 spots, leaving spots available for non-Med Sci 2 students and Med Sci 2 students who did not satisfy requirements by April.
- These conditions must be satisfied prior to Year 3 for competitive pool consideration:
  - A **maximum of one 0.5 2000-level Admission Requirements can be repeated**; the average of the two attempts will be used in the calculation of your average.
    - **NOTE:** The original grade must be a passing grade as you cannot fail any course in Year 2 and be considered for Year 3 BMSc.
  - Must have 60% in each of the first year courses in Biology/Chem/Math/Physics.
  - Must have a minimum 75% average on all second year course attempts (the minimum does not guarantee entrance).
    - Even if spots remain open, averages under 75% will not be considered.
  - Must have a minimum of 8.0 completed courses.
  - No failures allowed during Year 2 or the summer immediately following Year 2.
    - **NOTE:** Failures during Year 1 or summer after Year 1 may still apply.
- Priority for module selection will be given to Med Sci 2 students given assured admission.
- Students taking a summer course who satisfy all other conditions may be admitted conditionally pending your final grade in the summer course.
- If you are admitted to a BMSc module you did not request **do not panic**! Your goal is to be admitted to BMSc, and you can plan Year 3 according to the module you wish to be in.
- Entrance to Year 4 BMSc modules is based on the [Weighted Average Chart](#), available on the BMSc website. No priority for Year 4 modules is given to students who were admitted to that particular module in Year 3.