TWO GREAT COUNTRIES, ONE GREAT DEGREE.

MEDICINE
MBChB-USA
Welcome to your next step

Few disciplines are as challenging, fascinating or rewarding as medicine. You are privileged to witness some of the most joyful and difficult moments in people’s lives, and you’re constantly inspired by new ideas, techniques and the remarkable people working around you.

At Leicester, we’re looking for people from all kinds of backgrounds, but who share one important thing in common: the passion to be an excellent doctor who’ll always put their patients first.

Sound like you? Then we’ll make it our mission to help you become a world-class professional with the skills and expertise to practice medicine in the US and make your mark out in the field.

Our curriculum has been designed to meet the needs and challenges of modern healthcare. This means you’ll have more patient contact, learn from leading clinicians and academics, and study in cutting-edge facilities such as our new George Davies Centre.

The Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities lists Leicester Medical School as one of the top 35 institutions globally for Clinical Medicine, due in part to our international collaborations and award-winning staff.

Like a career in medicine, this course is about collaboration. To thrive, you must be open to learning from academics, clinicians and patients. But just as important will be your willingness to learn from your fellow students.

Success won’t just come from turning up to your sessions – you’ll need to be dedicated outside the classroom too. This means preparing for lectures and group work in advance, following up on sessions, and completing self-test material that our team regularly posts online.

As you might have guessed, this is a challenging course. It’s also a fantastic and rewarding way of learning what it takes to become the best doctor you can be – for your patients, for yourself and for the whole healthcare sector.

Professor Philip Baker
Dean of Medicine

START IN THE UK
SUCCEED IN THE USA

Great doctors balance their medical knowledge with human understanding – they see the person behind the patient. At Leicester, we bring out these qualities by providing a patient-focused curriculum, underpinned by excellent bioscience.

During the first 2 years, you’ll study in the UK before you continue our curriculum on clinical placement in the US for years 3 to 5. During your time in the UK, you will experience our own unique and modern healthcare service – the National Health Service.

Leicester is also your entry to Europe. For those who want to study abroad, our low cost living, guaranteed accommodation and common language make us a popular international choice. It’s your chance to start your life’s work - and experience more of the world.

Leicester is where learning lives. For nearly 100 years, our students have been provided with a world-class education as a living memorial to those local people who served in the First World War, many of whom lost their lives.
Why study medicine at Leicester?

Prestigious. International. Exhilarating. There are countless ways to describe what it’s like to study medicine at Leicester. But to break it down for you, here are the main reasons to choose us.

Our facilities are outstanding

The new £42 million George Davies Centre is state-of-the-art. It’s an environmentally friendly building with the very latest technology and resources – everything a medical student needs to learn and succeed. You’ll also be conducting full body dissections in our new dissecting room equipped with audiovisual support tools at every station and a large, dedicated teaching team facilitating your learning.

We are an internationally recognized world class research institution

While we usually let our teaching do the talking, it’s worth noting our medical school ranks highly. In fact we’re rated 6th in the UK in the Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities and you will be taught by scientists and clinicians working at the cutting edge of medical research.

You’ll meet patients from the start

This means you’ll have clinical attachments from Year 1 and for each year of your studies, and you will be seeing patients supported by experienced clinicians dedicated both to excellent medical care and medical education.

We embrace the power of technology

Not only in how we teach, but also in treating patients. Our Clinical Skills Unit offers high-tech simulated manikins (iStan and SimMan) to help you practice for the real thing. All first-year students receive iPads (to annotate lectures and group work during sessions). And you’ll learn how new digital applications can be used to improve patient care.

World class education to optimize US residency match success

You’ll get the kind of quality education we’re known for and be exposed to a National Health Service that’s unique in the world and ensures every citizen receives excellent health care. At the same time our US-embedded curriculum will prepare you for the USMLE; this educational environment coupled with your hard work will optimize your opportunity for success in the US Residency Match Program.

An affordable and conveniently located city

Leicester is located in the heart of the UK and very close to major hubs such as London, Rome and Paris. The city has a refreshingly low cost of living - in fact the NatWest Student Living Index 2018 named Leicester as the third most affordable city in the UK.

Having the iPad made the transition from preclinical to clinical much less daunting as I knew I could take all my notes on the ward with me. It was great to have all my notes in one place in Phase 1 and it’s really useful for looking things up as you hear them on the ward in Phase 2.

— Charlotte
Aims and Outcomes
To be an excellent doctor, you need to know how to meet the challenges of modern healthcare – not just today, but for years to come. Preparing you for this reality is our main aim.

At Leicester Medical School, you’ll study for the degrees of MBChB-USA (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, the UK professional qualification equivalent to an MD in the US) through our newly designed curriculum. As the course is patient-focused, you’ll have the opportunity to start putting your knowledge into practice from the start.

During your time with us, you’ll develop the clinical competence to become a compassionate, caring and skilled professional.

New curriculum. New structure.
To help you keep up with the rapid changes in today’s modern healthcare environment, your teaching and learning is patient-centered and based on a whole body approach in which you’ll study all the basic scientific disciplines together in a clinical context.

You’ll learn through a mix of lectures, small group work and clinical teaching. We’ll make sure you cover the essential science that underpins how the body works, while at the same learning how things can go wrong.

Our curriculum is divided into two phases. Phase 1 (Years 1 and 2) will be largely based in the George Davies Centre. Phase 2 (Years 3 to 5) will be based in the US.

Course structure

YEARS 1 AND 2: LAYING THE FOUNDATIONS
• Early clinical apprenticeship with clinical attachments and development of clinical skills
• Integrated teaching of molecular and cellular science and systems of the body
• Integrated teaching on infection, pharmacology and therapeutics
• Social, behavioral and population sciences
• USMLE Step One preparation sessions running throughout the two year UK based program

YEARS 3, 4 AND 5: THE CLINICAL YEARS
• Clinical placements in the US, following the Leicester model of clinical apprenticeships

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Our teaching methods and facilities

How we teach. How you learn.

As we’ve outlined, this course is patient-focused and designed in such a way that all learning takes place in a clinical context.

During Phase 1, there’s a balanced mix of lectures, clinical teaching and group work. You’ll be solving a range of cases in an environment supported by leading academics and clinically qualified staff.

During years 3 to 5, you’ll work with doctors in the US in a range of clinical placements. Each placement comes with its own set of outcomes that will define what you should know and be able to do by graduation.

The medical profession is always evolving, which means lifelong learning is an important part of a career in medicine. During the course, you should be prepared to reflect on your skills and progress, and organize your own self-directed study.

Assessment

You’ll be covering a lot of ground in this course. But ultimately, everything must come together in your mind when solving clinical problems. The ways we assess and teach will help consolidate your knowledge and understanding as you go along.

During Phase 1, you’ll have plenty of opportunities to test your learning and get feedback. We’ll give you feedback on the summative assessments you must pass to get to the next stage, and we’ll use a range of techniques to test how well you’re applying your knowledge and skills to clinical problems and patient management.

During the clinical years, you’ll get regular feedback throughout your placements.

Preparation for the USMLE Step 1 and Step 2 examinations is integrated into and supported within the course.

Personal support

You’ll be supported from the moment you arrive. We’ll assign you a personal tutor to regularly meet and talk to about feedback, continuing professional development, or any personal issues you might have.

You’ll also have access to our dedicated Pastoral Support Unit. Plus, we offer welfare, study and accessibility support to any student who needs it.

The George Davies Centre

The Centre offers a truly state-of-the-art teaching environment: new lecture theatres, seminar rooms and consultation rooms, each featuring high-quality IT gear and the latest infrastructure to support iPads and teaching technology.

The Centre is also a hub for medical research, where our academics team up to generate new knowledge and research into major chronic diseases and patient safety.

Course outcomes

At the end of the undergraduate course you will receive your MBChB (MD equivalent) degree.

This course is created for US citizens/lawful permanent residents, who upon degree completion will be applying for US Medical Residency Positions, not for UK Foundation Programmes.
We’re powered by great minds

Progress is important to us. That’s why we employ some of the best people to lead the charge on new research. Across many areas, we’ve worked on real-life applications and made a global impact.

This research drives our world class ranking as well as your studies. It’s what gives our staff the tools to not only stretch your mind, but also help build your own perspectives.

Learning at Leicester is a two-way street. We get to know you. You get to know us. This way, we have a stronger base on which to support you – every step of the way.

We have been delivering life-changing research for over half a century.

- We discovered genetic fingerprinting which revolutionized crime scene investigations, immigration disputes, and paternity cases.
- Our immunologists are looking for alternatives to antibiotics to fight and kill bacteria by weaponizing viruses that can then attack and kill multi-drug resistant bacteria causing diseases like TB.
- Researchers at our world renowned Diabetes and Metabolic Medicine Center have developed new tools that can be used to identify prediabetes.

Breaking new ground in heart operations

Improving lives starts with research. And at Leicester, we’re known for working at the cutting-edge.

Recently, Andre Ng, Professor of Cardiac Electrophysiology at the University of Leicester and Consultant Cardiologist and Electrophysiologist at Leicester’s Hospitals, used a new system to target critical circuits for heart rhythm disturbance – helping to pinpoint the source of the heart condition.

The first heart operations using the new software platform were successfully carried out in Leicester. Professor Ng has been involved in operations using this groundbreaking technique since November 2015.

I chose Leicester because you get patient contact from year one. This keeps me focused on what I will be doing throughout my career.

JACOB

You feel fully prepared for your hospital placements following on from Phase 1. You are taught by people at the forefront of scientific and clinical research.

MME
Giving something back and mentoring sixth formers aspiring to do medicine has been an incredibly fulfilling opportunity.

Phase 1: Where it all begins

A strong clinical foundation
During Phase 1, you'll learn the essential knowledge and skills that will underpin your clinical practice throughout your career.
One of your first steps will be working with 'simulated patients' (trained actors) and other volunteers. These experiences will help you learn both the physical examination and professional communication skills you'll need to progress.

Treating people, not just patients
During this course, you'll learn things about the human body that people outside the healthcare professions may struggle to understand. But it is essential that you understand how everyone that you treat, thinks, feels and reacts to the care that you provide.

Social and behavioural medicine is about looking at the whole person in the context of health care. Having early contact with patients will help you understand and deal with these issues when you're out in the field.

Before you know it, you'll be learning from Attending physicians and from talking with patients. To demonstrate you have the basic clinical skills needed for the clinical years, you must pass a formal clinical examination at the end of Phase 1. You’ll also need to pass the USMLE Step 1 before you can progress to Phase 2.

After successfully passing the USMLE, you’ll be ready to apply for your medical residency and practise in the US.

Activities and outreach

Giving back
At Leicester Medical School, we’re passionate about making a difference beyond the classroom, surgery or hospital. With our long history of committed to outreach programs, we’ll encourage you to get involved too.

To start with, you can sign up to our MedReach program. You’ll have the opportunity to work with school pupils from backgrounds underrepresented in medical schools – helping to promote diversity in our profession. Activities range from online mentoring for high school students, to leading interactive workshops for primary school kids.

We also have a number of student groups such as Sexpression, Teddy Bear’s Hospital and Medsin – all working with other groups in Leicester and Leicestershire, including schools, colleges, community groups and charitable organizations on key health issues.

We’re particularly proud of our close relationship with local homeless charities through our Project Light Initiative.

LUSUMA – Student Society
LUSUMA stands for Leicester University Students’ Union Medical Association. It might be hard to say, but it’s easy (and fun) to get involved with. Run by and for students, it organizes a huge number of social events, sports clubs, and academic and medical interest groups. Plus, it’s where to go if you ever need support of any kind.
Be spoilt for choice
If you’re looking for reasons to choose Leicester, we’ve got plenty.

Cheaper living costs
Compared to many cities here and abroad, Leicester’s living costs are quite low. In fact, it’s consistently rated one of the most affordable places in the UK.

In the heart of the UK
Just an hour train ride from London, and within easy reach of major airports, Leicester is really accessible. It’s also cycle-friendly and has a top-notch bus service.

The brightest minds
Learning at Leicester is progressive, thoughtful, and research-driven. Our academics are some of the best in the world at what they do, and will bring out the best in you too.

Local feel, global mind-set
People come from all over the world to study at Leicester. In fact, you’ll be sharing the campus and classrooms with students from over 110 different countries.

Every kind of help
Welfare support, academic assistance, or just everyday advice – we’re here for whatever you need. To give you that extra boost, we also offer over £4 million in scholarships and bursaries, as well as access to national and international scholarships.

New neighbours
For your first two years, you’re guaranteed accommodation in student housing. However, we also offer a variety of fun and safe living options for you to choose from.

Something special
We’re the UK’s only living war memorial – a university built by local citizens to honour those who served in the First World War. Come to Leicester and you can expect the same respect and warm welcome by our community.

Europe on your doorstep
Key distances and travelling times from Leicester

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However, we want to put these doubts to rest. The UK (and Leicester in particular) is actually very affordable. To give you a better idea, we’ve put together some of the key living costs and statistics.

### Living away from home is one thing. Finding the perfect place is another. At Leicester, we’ll make the transition easy.

#### Living in halls of residence

- **New neighbours and new friends.**
- **Some of the best memories of student life happen in student housing. Here’s what you can look forward to.**

#### Our guarantee scheme

- Your guaranteed room in student housing during your two years at Leicester.

#### Getting you settled

- Introductions matter. That’s why we have a team of Residential Advisers to help you feel at home. As current students, they’re the best people to show you the ropes, help you meet new people, and get you involved in social events.

#### What’s included?

- A bed, a free standing closet, bookcase, desk, and chair. Beyond that, you can decorate your space however you see fit. As your rent is all-inclusive, you don’t have to worry about any hidden extras. Your accommodation fees include:
  - All utility bills
  - Household goods insurance in most properties. You can apply for additional cover if you want
  - High speed Wi-Fi in all rooms and communal spaces

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### A place to call home

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I really like the supportive environment here at Leicester, which integrates different year groups to build a strong sense of community.

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Find out more about membership and packages at www.le.ac.uk/sports-membership.

A culture of creativity

Just like the city itself, our arts and culture scene is very much alive. From our drama society to the chamber choir, we’re big on supporting student expression – and even offer a series of music scholarships.

At the Attenborough Arts Centre, you can see and take part in theatre, comedy, contemporary art, live music, dance, and creative workshops. The Centre also puts on the DeStress Festival – for when exams are getting the better of you.

Fill up at the O2 Academy

Sometimes a night out is all we need. And our very own O2 Academy can satisfy that urge. The venue has hosted some of the biggest acts in the industry. But if all you want to do is let the limbs fly, there are weekly club nights too.

Getting behind Team Leicester

Nothing beats wearing your university’s colours. Whether you’re barracking from the sidelines or taking part in the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS), it’s a proud day when you’re representing Team Leicester.

More into recreational sports? Get your coursemates, society friends, or hall-neighbours together and form a team. Pitt yourself against other students and compete in a range of intramural leagues and cups.

A rival for the ages

The colours are in full flow. Bragging rights are at stake. And the atmosphere is electric. Welcome to Varsity.

Each year, our sports teams take on cross-city rivals De Montfort University for the coveted trophy. It’s as intense as it is fun, and not surprisingly, one of the highlights of the calendar.

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Healthy body, healthy mind

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Fit for royalty
It’s not every day the future king of England visits, but in November 2018 we were lucky enough to welcome both the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall to the University. The pair met and chatted with staff and students about projects that support the local community, before going off to greet the waiting crowds.

English countryside
Few countries can match the charm of the English countryside. And in Leicester, you’re literally surrounded by it. Just a short trip out, Rutland Water offers great cycling, sailing and windsurfing, while those in search of history will find their answer in the ruins of Bradgate House or the Battle of Bosworth Field.

For the history and culture buffs
Leicester is packed with museums, art galleries, music venues, and art-house cinemas. The list is long and satisfying, but here’s our pick of the bunch:

- King Richard III Visitor Centre
- New Walk Museum and Art Gallery
- National Space Centre
- De Montfort Hall
- Curve
- Showcase De Lux
- Phoenix Square

Shopping for days
There’s nothing wrong with a little retail therapy. Leicester has the big brands, the local favourites and the largest outdoor covered market in Europe — dating back to the 13th century. And for ancient cobbled streets and independent boutiques, look no further than the Lanes.

The Guildhall
If it’s ye olde England you want, the Guildhall museum is where you’ll find it. Dating back 600 years, the timber Great Hall was originally built as a meeting place for the Guild of Corpus Christi, a group of local gentry and businessmen. These days, it’s your chance to catch a performance and discover what medieval Leicester was like.


This is Leicester
Leicester is a city of smiles. In fact, it’s ranked the second happiest city in the UK. Beyond this, there’s so much to see, do, and experience that you’ll have no trouble falling for it.

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