

Frequently Asked Questions and Responses

Admissions for Residency and Fellowship – Visa and International

1. I am an IMG and would like to come to Dalhousie for an observership, what is the process?

We do not offer observerships at Dalhousie University.

2. I am an IMG trainee and would like to apply to Dalhousie for the upcoming academic year, what is the first step?

If you are a citizen of one of the following countries, please contact the following offices to apply to Dalhousie contact the:

- Saudi Arabia - Saudi Arabian Cultural Bureau (Ottawa Canada) who will provide guidance regarding the application process.
- Kuwait – Kuwait Institute of Medical Specialities (Kuwait City) (Core training only)
- Kuwait – Embassy of the State of Kuwait (Washington DC) (Subspecialty and Fellowships)
- Kuwait - Embassy of the State of Kuwait (Ottawa Canada) (Ministry of Health)
- UAE – Embassy of the United Arab Emirates (Ottawa Canada)
- UAE – Ministry of Defence (Abu Dhabi)
- Oman – Oman Medical Specialty Board (Muscat)

All other international countries please email visaimg@dal.ca

3. I am an IMG interested in applying to Family Medicine; are there any available positions available for the upcoming year?

We do not offer Family Medicine programs.

4. What are the English requirements?

You may contact registration@cpsns.ns.ca or locate the English requirements here: <https://cpsns.ns.ca/resource/english-language-proficiency/>

5. Do I need to have the MCCQE1 or MCCEE before applying to Dalhousie?

They are not mandatory for subspecialty and fellowship training. These exams apply for core training only. You may apply to Dalhousie while you await your result; however, you will need to pass your exam prior to commencing residency training.

6. I applied to the program and paid the fee and but have not received a response, what are the next steps?

If you are shortlisted for an interview, you will be contacted. Please be patient, as this is our busiest time of year. Please do not send multiple enquiries, we will respond to your initial enquiry.

7. I have submitted my application and paid the applicable fees, when will interviews take place?

If you are shortlisted for an interview, interviews are usually conducted in the Fall (September to February).

8. When should I submit my CPSNS license application?

As soon as you receive instructions from admissions, please start your application for licensure immediately. You may not be able to complete all requirements at this stage. Note: CPSNS will follow up with any outstanding paperwork within the following weeks. Once you initially submit an incomplete application to CPSNS, you can request a letter of eligibility for your work permit application.

9. I am an IMG and will be coming to Dalhousie for training in a few months, when should I submit my CMPA application?

You may complete your CMPA application up to the payment page one month prior to your arrival; then, upon your arrival in Canada you would open a bank account and add the banking information.

10. I completed an online ACLS course, and received a certificate, is this acceptable proof of ACLS certification?

On-line ACLS courses are not deemed acceptable.

11. Will ACLS be mandatory for my training?

ACLS is required for all core training and maybe exempted by the program for subspecialty and fellowships.

12. Does Dalhousie provide reimbursement for ACLS course payment?

No, Dalhousie does not provide reimbursement for ACLS courses.

13. As an IMG trainee, what is the applicable fee for residency/fellowship training at Dalhousie?

The fee is **CA\$125** and is payable by credit card.

14. I have paid my application fee but there is still an option to pay again, what should I do?

Do not pay twice, unless your credit card is declined on our system.

15. What should I do if I want to apply to more than one program?

Contact visaimg@dal.ca to request a second link.