



## Atlantic Bridge Program

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## Application Instructions

**\*NOTICE: Due to the increased number of supplemental documents being received, there may be an extended processing timeline of up to 14 business days from the date that we receive your documents.\***

### Step 1: Submit Your Online Application

- Complete the online application form via the Atlantic Bridge Application portal which is linked in your Application Packet. Refer to your Application Packet for specific guidelines regarding school selection and program eligibility.
- Once your application form and schools have been selected, an admissions counselor will send you an Application Acknowledgement email. This email will list documents that are required to complete your application.

### Step 2: Submit Your Supporting Documents

Whether you are applying to one or multiple schools, only one set of supporting documents is required. Applicants are encouraged to submit supporting documents as soon as possible. Documents can be updated/revised throughout the admissions process.

- **TRANSCRIPTS:**

1. Either **hard copy** or **electronic transcripts** may be submitted.
2. **Official Hard Copy Transcript(s)** must be sent directly from your school to the mailing address listed above. Additionally, applicants may submit their own transcripts in a school sealed envelope.
3. **Electronic Transcript(s)** may be sent via your school's electronic transcript forwarding service, or a private transcript forwarding service (e.g. Parchment, eScrip-safe, NationalStudent Clearinghouse, etc.) to [admissions@atlanticbridge.com](mailto:admissions@atlanticbridge.com).
4. Transcripts **MUST** be submitted in English. If your school does not offer in-house translations, you will need to request that your transcript is translated by a third party service. Students frequently use services like [Translayte](#) and [The Spanish Group](#).
5. **RCSI-Bahrain and Queen's University Belfast require submission of a grade 9-12 high school transcript, regardless of your level of education.**

PLEASE NOTE: If currently enrolled, please submit your current transcript as-is. Updated marks will be requested at a later date.

- **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

1. 2-3 letters of recommendation or one committee letter are required.
2. At least one (1) of the letters must come from an academic referee, preferably a science or mathematics professor, lecturer or teacher.
3. Letters should be addressed to “**The Admissions Committee**” and contain no references to any specific university.
4. Letters must be submitted following the instructions on the [Guide to Letters of Recommendation page](#).

- **PERSONAL STATEMENT:**

**Prompt:** Why do you want to study *medicine*\*, and what steps have you taken to achieve your goal?

*\*If applying to dentistry, physiotherapy, pharmacy, and/or law, replace the word “medicine” in the prompt accordingly.*

Your personal statement should follow the following format:

- Maximum of two pages, double spaced, 12-point font.
- Must not mention any of the schools you are applying to.

Submit your personal statement on your Atlantic Bridge portal.

- **RESUME/CV:**

- Maximum of two pages. No margin or font requirements.
- Submit your resume/CV to the Atlantic Bridge portal.

- **EXAM RESULTS:**

1. If you are applying to a **5-6 year Medicine program** and have taken IB, AP, ACT, or SAT, you must upload your exams results to your portal.
2. If you are applying to the **4-year graduate entry Medicine program or the 5-year Medicine program and you already have or will have a bachelor’s degree by year of entry, you do not need to submit IB, AP, ACT, or SAT exam results.**
3. If you are applying to a **4-year graduate entry Medicine program**, please forward your MCAT score through the AAMC website to Atlantic Bridge. If you have taken a GAMSAT exam, please send a screenshot of your score report to your admission counselor for verification.
4. If you are applying to the **Dentistry program at Queen’s University Belfast**, you

must upload your AP exam results to your portal, regardless of your level of education.

- **DEADLINES:**

1. Applications for Fall 2025 Entry open in August 2024.
2. Applicants must submit their 4-page application and pay their application fee by January 31st, 2024, as new application submission will close after January 31st for most schools/disciplines.
3. Supporting documents e.g. letters of reference, transcripts etc. will be accepted after January 31st.
4. The Irish Schools operate on a rolling admissions basis. To be included in the first round of assessments, we advise you to submit all supplementary documents no later than January 31st, 2025 . Documents submitted after the 31st of January are not guaranteed to be uploaded in time for first-round assessments.
5. Application files that are not complete by **March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025** may not be reviewed, with the exception of those awaiting late (March) MCAT scores. (Only required for the 4-Year GEM program).

- **FEES:**

A non-refundable application fee is required. The fee structure is as follows:

- Medicine and Dentistry application fees are \$100 USD per school. (Example: If you are applying to two schools, the application fee is \$200).
- Pharmacy and Physiotherapy application fees are \$50 USD per school. (Example: If you are applying to two schools, the application fee is \$100).
- Law application fees are \$25 USD per school. (Example: If you are applying to two schools, the application fee is \$50).

***Important Note for RCSI: Students must have attained the age of 18 by 1 December following entry.***