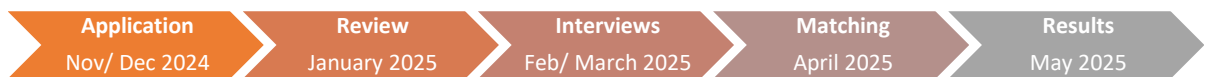




Frequently Asked Questions

Part (1) – General Terms & Conditions (Local & International Residency Programs)

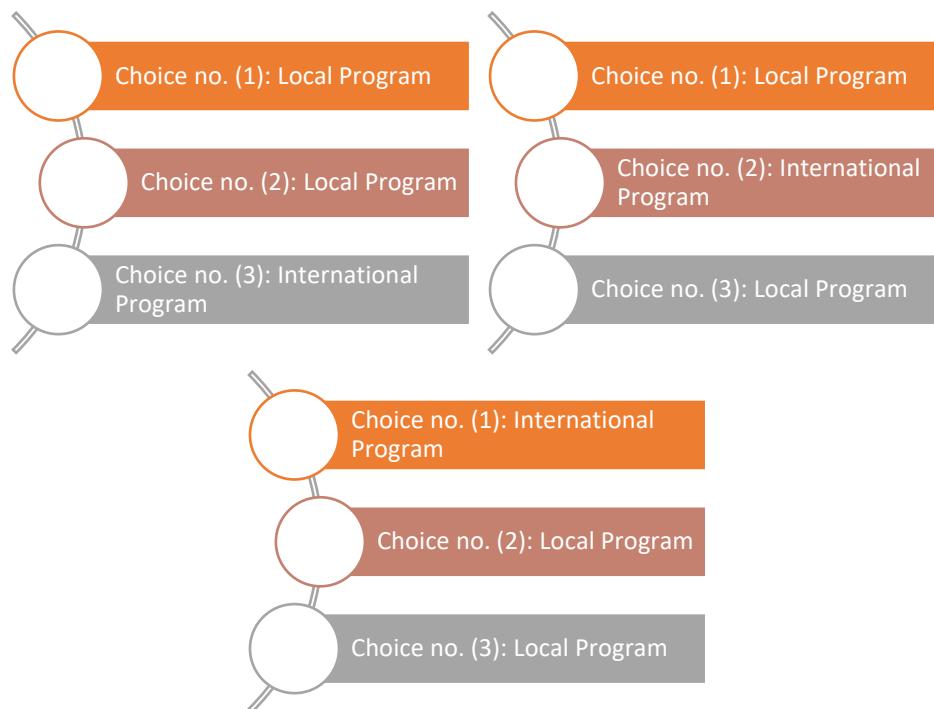
1. What is the timeframe for interviews and results?



1. Who can apply for Residency Programs?

- ✓ General Foundation Program (GFP) Trainees
- ✓ Omani physicians working in different institutions in Oman
- ✓ Interns who will complete internship year by July 2025

2. What are the available options for me to apply, which choices I may have for local if I am interested in an international option too?



** Please arrange your choices based on your order of preference.*



3. Do I have to fill out all choices?

Minimally one choice local or international. However, OMSB allow you a maximum of two (2) local programs and one (1) international program. OMSB encourages that you select more than one (1) choice to increase your chances of acceptance since the competition is high with increasing cohort of applicants.

4. What are the required documents for application to Local/ International Residency Programs?

- ✓ **Employer Approval Form for Release and Selection of Training Programs**
 - You can print this Form after filling out all the required fields and uploading a photo. You will then need to sign it and present it to your Employer for approval. Please refer to next question for information on who signs your Application Form.
- ✓ **Identification**
 - Personal Photograph (Photo must be "2 x 2" in size with a white background)
 - PDF copy of dual side of the National ID card (The National ID card need to be in PDF format)
 - PDF copy of Passport
- ✓ **Qualifications:**
 - PDF copy of MD Certificate (If MD is from an international university, you must provide evidence of attestation & equivalency from Oman's Ministry of Higher Education, Research & Innovation)
 - PDF copy of MD transcripts is a must
 - PDF copy of the internship certificate (Internship certificate is mandatory for all applicants except interns who are required to present To Whom It May Concern Letter that state they will finish by July 2025)
- ✓ **Curriculum Vitae** (OMSB Format is preferred)
- ✓ **PDF copy of valid BLS and ACLS certificates**
 - BLS and ACLS certificates must be valid during the registration period and until the start of the AY 2025-2026 (1st September 2025)
- ✓ **Applicant Health Assessment (AHA) Form**
 - Declaration of health status with any chronic illness is important for transparency of application process
 - All required blood tests and immunization reports in the AHA Form must be submitted within the application period
 - The blood tests should not be done more than one (1) year since the day of application



5. Who should sign and stamp my Application Form?

After you print out and sign your Application Form, you need to present it to your Employer for signature & stamp of approval as follows:

- Employees of Ministry of Health: Director General of Health Services
- Employees of University Medical City: Director General
- Employees of Medical City for Military & Security Services: Director General for Medical Services

Once the Application Form is signed & stamped, please scan and upload into the System.

6. Who is not required to sign and stamp the Application Form?

- Interns
- Omani physicians working outside Oman and interested to apply for residency

No Employer approval is required.

7. Can I change my selected choices after application has closed?

No change requests are entertained once the system has closed.

8. Can I change the order of my choices after application has closed?

No changes in choices order are entertained once the system has closed.

9. What happen if my application fulfils all requirements?

If you are considered eligible for the interview, you will be invited to attend the interview based on the timetable of interview to all programs separately.

10. If I am accepted into a program and I decide to decline the offer, will I be considered for my next choice?

No. Declining the offer will result in losing the seat for the application in the AY 2025-2026. You may re-apply for the next academic year.

11. What is the process after receiving acceptance into a Residency Program?

Once accepted, you will receive an email with instructions on how to proceed.

Important Note: The programs and their order of preference in the electronic system must match the printed/signed Application Form; any inconsistency will result in disqualification.



Part (2) – Local Residency:

1. What are the offered programs?

Please refer to the announcement or log in to the system hakeem.omsb.gov.om

2. Is there any age restriction to apply for local residency programs?

No.

3. I am currently in the process of changing Employer. Does that affect my application?

You must notify OMSB immediately if your Employer changes. By the end of application period, your current employer should approve your form. Failure to provide this approval will result in withdrawing the offer by OMSB.

4. I have further inquiries regarding local residency programs. How can I contact you?

admission@omsb.org



Part (3) – International Residency Programs:

- 1. What are the offered programs/ countries/ and what are the requirements to apply?**
Please refer to the announcement or log in to the system hakeem.omsb.gov.om. For more details on scholarship destinations and requirements, you can also refer to the [Scholarships Guide](#).
- 2. Can I select more than one country?**
Yes, if you meet the requirements for each one of them.
- 3. Is IELTS/OET mandatory to apply for international programs?**
No. However if you are interested in applying to Canada, some universities do require that you have IELTS/OET at the time of application. If you have received your Medical Degree from a country where English is the native language, you will be exempt from providing IELTS/OET.
- 4. I am interested in applying for Canada and I am scheduled to take the MCCQE1 Exam soon. Am I eligible to enter the interview?**
In order to be considered eligible, you must provide the results of the MCCQE1 Exam. If you have sat the exam and are currently awaiting results, please provide evidence of that.
- 5. Is there any age restriction to apply for international programs?**
France requires that the applicant is 32 years old or younger.
- 6. I am currently in the process of changing Employer. Does that affect my application?**
The seat offered to you is restricted to your Employer at the time of application. Changing Employer will result in withdrawing the offer by OMSB
- 7. If I am offered a seat in an International Program, does that mean I am offered a scholarship?**
No. This is called “Provisional Approval” to assist you in securing a position from an international university with the help of OMSB Scholarships Office. If you are successful in securing the international position by 31 December 2025, you will undergo a final review before being awarded the scholarship.
- 5. I have further inquiries regarding international programs. How can I contact you?**
scholarships@omsb.org



Part (4) – Local Fellowship Programs:

1. What are the offered programs?

Please refer to the announcement or log in to the system hakeem.omsb.gov.om

2. What are the required documents for application to Local Fellowship Programs?

- ✓ **Employer Approval Form for Release and Selection of Training Programs**
- ✓ **Identification:**
 - Personal Photograph (Photo must be "2 x 2" in size with a background that is uniform, plain and white)
 - PDF copy of National ID card (The dual side of the National ID card need to be in PDF document)
 - PDF copy of Passport
- ✓ **Qualifications**
 - OMSB Specialty Certificate or equivalent
- ✓ **Curriculum Vitae (OMSB Format)**
- ✓ **PDF copy of valid BLS and ACLS certificates**
 - BLS and ACLS certificates must be valid during the registration period and until the start of the AY 2025-2026 (1st September 2025)
- ✓ **Applicant Health Assessment (AHA) Form**

All required blood tests and immunization reports in the AHA Form must be submitted within the application period

3. I am interested in local fellowship programs as well as international fellowship programs. Can I compete for both?

In this application system, only Local Fellowship Programs are offered.

4. If I am accepted into a local fellowship program, can I later compete for international fellowship programs?

No. You will be disqualified.

5. I have further inquiries regarding local Fellowship programs. How can I contact you?

admission@omsb.org

Notes:

- ✓ International Fellowship Programs for AY 2026/2027 will be announced in January 2025.
- ✓ Programs offered locally will not be offered internationally.



Part (5) – Technical Issues:

1. What are the accepted file formats?

PDF files with a size of 2 MB or less.

2. How can I print out my Application Form?

Dashboard > Print Report

3. I am unable to access or print out my report.

You need to fill out all the required fields + upload a photo.

4. How will I know if my application is submitted?

You will receive a notification on your registered email.

5. How will I know if my application is complete and all documents are submitted successfully?

The system will show you a percentage to reflect whether all mandatory fields & documents are uploaded. Nonetheless, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that their application is complete.

6. How will I be contacted for interview?

All correspondence will be done via email. Please keep an eye on your email.

7. If I am disqualified, will I be notified?

Yes. You will receive an email

8. I am facing a technical issue and unable to proceed with my application. What should I do?

You can request for support by clicking "report Issue" at the top right of the application page.

6. I have a technical issue which have not been resolved through "Report Issue" How can I contact you?

dev_team@omsb.org