

# Extended Placement Program

The Extended Placement Program is a fantastic opportunity for students to spend an extended time in a rural area, enhance their knowledge of rural medicine and continue to develop their clinical skills. Previous EPP students have appreciated the opportunity to become part of a rural community and follow patients throughout the course of their illness.

## How it works

The Extended Placement Program provides MD students with the opportunity to spend more time in a rural location, by doing the Rural & Remote Medicine and General Practice Placements back-to-back in CCP Placements in semester 1 or semester 2.

## The Advantages

You will be living in a vibrant rural community for the two rotations (12 weeks), and you will become a part of it! You will be able to follow your patients through their primary and secondary care with enhanced clinical responsibility and work with all aspects of the health system.

You will have the opportunity to observe the complexities of individual patients with multiple medical problems through a holistic lens and be involved with these patients through an entire illness process.

Quality accommodation and internet facilities will be made available and provided free of charge to students. A Medical Educator will be available to support and assist you.

### Possible Placement Sites

- Beaudesert (sem 1 only)
- Charleville
- Dalby
- Emerald (sem 1 only)
- Goondiwindi
- Kingaroy
- Kilcoy
- Miles
- Roma (sem 1 only)
- St George
- Theodore
- Yeppoon (sem 1 only)

I would definitely recommend participating in the EPP as it was an amazing and rewarding experience both in terms of learning medicine as well as integrating into a community.

## How to apply

Students will be asked to submit an application based on the following criteria:

- Any previous experience living/working in a rural/remote area
- Whether you have membership and active involvement with TROHPIQ
- Any attendance/presentations at events or conferences of rural significance
- If you have undertaken electives in other years of the MD program in a rural/remote area
- If you are a current rural scholarship holder eg. BMP
- What you can contribute and what you hope to gain from undertaking a rural/remote extended placement
- Any other information which would demonstrate an interest, in and commitment to, health in rural/remote communities

For further details please contact the Rural & Remote Medicine Team via email [med.rrmstudents@uq.edu.au](mailto:med.rrmstudents@uq.edu.au) or by phone (07) 4633 9705.

To apply, complete the [Application form](#) and email to [med.rrmstudents@uq.edu.au](mailto:med.rrmstudents@uq.edu.au). Applications for 2024 open 12pm, Friday 14 July 2023 and close 12pm, Sunday 23 July 2023.

Further information is also available via the [TROHPIQ Website](#).

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