

Year 4 2026 Allocation Process and Timeline

UQ-Ochsner MD Program

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Year 4 MEDI7400

PREPARATION FOR PRACTICE

IMMERSION GROUP A

General Practice 8 weeks	Clinical Extension 8 weeks (AUS Return)
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IMMERSION GROUP B

Critical Care Plus 8 weeks	Personal Learning & Development (Elective) 8 weeks
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PRE- INTERNSHIP

L&D week	Pre-internship Term PRINT 8 weeks
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Longitudinal Learning Program focusing on Intern preparedness

UQMD YEAR 4

GP & Clinical Extension terms must be taken within the same group.

Critical Care+ & Elective terms must be taken within the same group.

You will preference the order in which you take these.

UQMD YEAR 4							
END OF YEAR BREAK					WK		
Preparatory activities -Wed,Thu and Fri							
PREPARATION FOR PRACTICE	GROUP A	GENERAL PRACTICE or CLINICAL EXTENSION		GROUP B	CRITICAL CARE PLUS or PLD (ELECTIVE)		1
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Clinical Immersions for UQ-Ochsner MD Program

This section contains details for UQ-Ochsner students' clinical immersions in Years 3 and 4 of the UQ-Ochsner MD Program.

For any questions regarding Ochsner allocations, please contact the UQ-Ochsner Student Administration in New Orleans at med.ocsStudentAdmin@uq.edu.au.

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3. Key Allocation Dates

Below are important dates and deadlines associated with the 2026 allocation process specifically as it relates to UQ-Ochsner students in Years 3 and 4.

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UQ-Ochsner MD – Year 4 Clinical Immersion Terms

- In Year 4, you will rotate through five clinical immersion terms in one of the following orders.

Group	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
1	General Practice	Clinical Extension	PLD Elective	Critical Care +	PRINT
2	Clinical Extension	General Practice	Critical Care +	PLD Elective	PRINT
3	PLD Elective	Critical Care +	General Practice	Clinical Extension	PRINT
4	Critical Care +	PLD Elective	Clinical Extension	General Practice	PRINT

- The information in this presentation is specifically for UQ-Ochsner students.

General Practice

- Students will complete an eight (8) week immersion term in General Practice.

Critical Care Plus

- Students will complete an eight (8) week Critical Care Plus term comprised of 4 weeks in Emergency Medicine, 2 weeks in Anesthesia, 1 week in ICU, and 1 week in Ophthalmology.
- Students will be randomly allocated for these placements.
- UQ-Ochsner students must complete their **General Practice** and **Critical Care Plus** immersion terms at Ochsner.

Clinical Extension

- In accordance with AMC requirements, UQ-Ochsner students are required to complete their Return Placement during the eight (8) week Clinical Extension term in Australia.
- Students will have the opportunity to preference a Clinical Extension Pathway – *along with all Onshore students at the same time, so there's no disadvantage.*

Elective (Personal Learning and Development)

- Students will complete an eight (8) week Elective immersion.
- The Elective immersion must be undertaken within the allocated elective term.
- UQ-Ochsner MD Students must complete the Elective immersion in **two 4-week blocks**.
- Students are permitted to undertake their entire Elective immersion at Ochsner, but it must be in two different specialties.
- The Elective immersion may be split between an external site and Ochsner.
- UQ-Ochsner MD Students are permitted to complete their Elective immersion in one specialty, **only if it is at two different institutions**.

Pre-Internship (PRINT)

- All students, provided they have successfully met the MEDI7400 requirements to date, will undertake a Pre-Internship (PRINT) immersion in Term 5.
- The PRINT includes a clinical immersion that is eight (8) weeks in duration.
- UQ-Ochsner MD Students must complete the PRINT immersion in **two 4-week blocks**.
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What will I be preferencing?

What	When
Clinical Immersion Term Order	July 2025
Clinical Extension <u>Pathway</u> (Learning Community in Australia) <i>along with all Onshore students</i>	August 2025
Clinical Extension <u>Placement</u> (Location & Discipline in AUS) <i>along with all Onshore students</i>	September 2025

Elective & PRINT preferencing and application details to follow.

Timeline – UQ-Ochsner Students – Year 4, 2026

- **Timeline & Preferencing Dates:**
[Ochsner Clinical Immersions](#) >
[Key Allocation Dates](#)
- 2 different sets of tasks and in 2 different time zones

Task	Dates Listed in <u>US Central Time</u>
Students apply for Special Consideration (if applicable, submit using this link) <i>Refer to Allocation Guidelines</i>	June 30 th – July 3 rd
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Release <u>provisional</u> Clinical Immersion Term Order	July 25 th
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Release <u>finalized</u> Clinical Immersion Term Order	August 1 st
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Release <u>finalised</u> Clinical Extension Placement Allocations	29 September 2025

The Placements System – InPlace

- Allocation preferencing will be conducted through the Uni's placement management system, InPlace.
- Login to InPlace – <https://placements.uq.edu.au>

Click on the Staff and Students button to log in via Single Sign On (using your UQ student credentials)

*If you're unable to log in email:
itsupportdesk@its.uq.edu.au

Do NOT use Internet Explorer. The system works better using Google Chrome or Safari.

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Staff and Students

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Username

Password

Log in with your InPlace Account

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Placements & Preferencing


UQ Placements System
Student Home Screen – Generic View

The screenshot shows the 'Student Home Screen – Generic View' of the UQ Placements System. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Toolbar:** A dark blue navigation bar at the top with tabs for Home, Confirmed, Available (with a '2 new' badge), Requirements, Calendar, Shared Documents, and a user profile dropdown for 'EGibson'.
- Confirmed pane:** A large blue section on the left displaying 'Confirmed' status. It shows 'NEXT ATTENDING: Burwood Health' for '19 Jan, 12:00AM - 11:59PM' and a 'View All Confirmed' button.
- Available pane:** A large blue section on the right displaying 'Available' status. It shows counts for 'Internships (14)', 'Projects (8)', and 'Seminars (3)', along with 'View recommended' and 'View shortlisted' buttons.
- User Account menu:** A dropdown menu on the right side of the toolbar containing 'My Details', 'Staff', 'Help', and 'Log Out'.
- To Do list:** A section on the bottom left with a 'To Do 6' header, listing tasks such as 'Information required for Compliance for clinical placement - Security Checks and Placement Requirements' and 'Student survey on placement - ZB is awaiting your response'.
- Notifications list:** A section on the bottom right with a 'Notifications' header, displaying messages like 'Message Board - Message Board: Timesheet and placement evaluation Students, Please ensure you have completed your timesheet, CSAT & Review to be handed in to placement Coordinator within 1 week of completing placement.' and 'Placement Preferences for sid-test close on 19/01/2017. Don't miss out!'.

- On the Student Home Screen, it will appear as a task under the “To Do” list.
- Click the link and complete your preferences.

Timeline – UQ-Ochsner Students – Year 4, 2026


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Preferencing Clinical Immersion Terms

To Do 3

 Information required for HMBS MED - WIL requirements (Y4 2025) - Mandatory Program Requirements >

 Information required for MED - Ochsner Important Information - To be filled in by Student: >

 Placement Block Preferences are now open for Y4_OCS_2026 Allocations. Closing on: 21/07/2025 at 3:00 am. >



This will appear on your 'To Do' list once preferencing has opened.

Preferencing Clinical Immersion Terms

In InPlace, clinical immersion terms will be represented by their associated group number, therefore you will need to select based on the corresponding group.

Select Preferences For Y4_OCS_2026 Allocations

4 - 4 Preferences Required
Closes 21/07/2025

4 Blocks

Group 1: GP>CE>Elect>CC+>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Group 2: CE>GP>CC+>Elect>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Group 4: CC+>Elect>CE>GP>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	<input type="checkbox"/>

Once you've clicked the *Placement Block Preferences* link this screen will appear.

1. Select **all** the Groups displayed by clicking the blue square arrays
2. Click the Rank button to proceed to the next screen



Note: All Groups must be selected to move to the next screen to rank.

0 of 5 Blocks Selected

Preferencing Clinical Immersion Terms

Select the order of preference

Drag to change preference

1st	Group 1: GP>CE>Elect>CC+>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	↑ ↓
2nd	Group 2: CE>GP>CC+>Elect>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	↑ ↓
3rd	Group 3: Elect>CC+>GP>CE>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	↑ ↓
4th	Group 4: CC+>Elect>CE>GP>PRINT 12/01/2026 - 15/11/2026	↑ ↓
5th		

1. Arrange the clinical immersion term groups in your chosen preferencing order
2. Once happy with the order, click the 'Submit' button



Note: You can come back and change your preference order at any time until preferencing closes.

If you come back to modify your preferences it is important to note that they will be displayed in alphabetical order not the order you preferred in.

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Submit

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Locating Your Allocation

Where can I see my allocation?

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Clinical Extension Pathways

- Students will have the opportunity to rank their preferred pathway (Learning Community in Australia) *at the same time along with all Onshore students.*
- The available pathways are:
- Refer to [Ochsner Clinical Immersions webpage](#) for a detailed breakdown of each Learning Community.
- Accommodation and travel subsidies will be provided to all students who undertake the Clinical Extension term in a Regional, Rural and Remote location.
- ***You must rank OCS last.** If you do not list it last, you may end up being allocated to a location not preferred.

Clinical Extension Pathways

Rural & Remote

Central QLD (Rockhampton)

Wide Bay (Hervey Bay & Bundaberg)

DD-SW (Toowoomba)

Central Learning Community

South Learning Community

North Learning Community

West Learning Community

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
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Preferencing Clinical Extension Pathway

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 Provider Preferences are now open for Y4_2026 CE Allocations. Closing on: 08/08/2025 at 12:00 pm. >

This will appear on your 'To Do' list once preferencing has opened.



Provider Preferences = Clinical Extension Pathway

Preferencing Clinical Extension Pathway

In InPlace, each Clinical Extension Pathway will be represented by a placeholder for each Learning Community pathway.

Providers

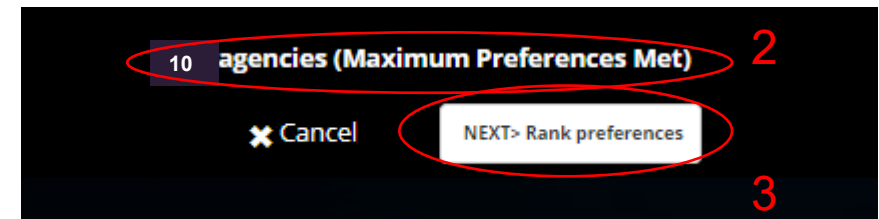
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Select All Items

Once you've clicked the Provider Preferences link this screen will appear.

1. Select **ALL** items displayed by clicking the blue ticks
2. Once all items have been selected the Next button will become available to click
3. Click the next button to proceed to the next screen



2 agencies

Cancel NEXT> Rank preferences

Rank Preferences

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✕ Cancel

Submit preferences

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1. Arrange all items in your chosen order:

- **MUST put Ochsner LAST**

Note: You can drag or use the arrows to move the order around

2. Once happy with the order click the submit preferences button

You can come back and change your preference order at any time until preferencing closes (**NB.** they will be displayed in alphabetical order, not the order you preferred in).

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Clinical Extension Placement

- After the release of finalized Clinical Extension Pathway, students will have the opportunity to preferencing for the (Clinical Extension Placement) **locations and disciplines** that are available within their allocated CE Pathway (Learning Community).
 - i.e. Princess Alexandra Hospital and Cardiology
- Again, this will be *at the same time along with all Onshore students*.
- A summary of the available disciplines typically available at each Learning Community is available [here](#) and on the [Brisbane Placements webpage](#).

Elective & PRINT Preferencing at Ochsner

- All students are required to submit preferences for Elective and PRINT immersions at Ochsner, even if they plan to apply for a self-arranged (external) placement. This ensures that a secured placement is available if the external placement is not approved.
- Preferencing for the Elective and PRINT immersions at Ochsner will take place prior to the term in which students are scheduled to attend. Please consult the table below for specific dates.

Term	Preferencing Dates
Elective in Terms 1 & 2	06 – 10 October 2025
Elective in Terms 3 & 4	23 – 27 February 2026
PRINT (Term 5)	25 – 29 May 2026

- Elective and PRINT immersions at Ochsner will be released to students approximately 2 weeks after the preferencing closes.

Self-Arranged Elective & PRINT Immersions

- Students wanting to undertake the Elective or PRINT immersions external to Ochsner are responsible for sourcing and arranging their own placement.
- Students must not apply for dates outside of their allocated immersion term.
- ALL self-arranged placements require a Student Placement Agreement (SPA) to be signed by the placement provider, unless a current affiliation agreement exists between the away institution and Ochsner or UQ. A list of these providers is available on the UQ-Ochsner Blackboard site.
- Applications must be submitted **no later than 12 weeks prior** to the commencement of the immersion term. This ensures enough time to get the appropriate approvals and ensure a SPA is in place.
- Students are **not** to make any travel arrangements until they receive final approval.
- Students who do not have an approved Elective or PRINT placement six (6) weeks prior to the commencement of the immersion term will be allocated to an available placement at Ochsner.
- Please refer to the [Self-Arranged Elective & PRINT Immersions Guidelines](#) on the [Ochsner Clinical Immersions webpage](#) for complete details, including the application process and deadlines.

Special Consideration

- Special consideration process is outlined in *Section 8* on the [Ochsner Clinical Immersions](#) webpage.
- Students who meet the criteria may submit applications using this [link](#).
- Special consideration will only be considered during the period as detailed on the appropriate timeline.

Swaps

- Following the publication of provisional allocations, students will be provided the opportunity to submit a swap request.
- **For Year 4**, students may request to swap:
 - Entire immersion term order
 - Clinical Extension Pathway
 - Both Immersion term order and Clinical Extension Pathway
- These are 2 separate processes.
 - **Immersion term order** – managed locally by Ochsner Student Admin
 - **Clinical Extension Pathway** – managed by Placements Team in Brisbane
- Swap details are posted on the [Ochsner Clinical Immersions](#) webpage.
- Swap requests will only be considered during the swap periods as detailed on the appropriate timeline.

Placement Change Request Deadlines

- Students may apply for a placement reallocation after they have been allocated to a confirmed placement. Reallocation requests are limited to the following:
 - Term order within the Immersion group
 - Sub-specialty order within the Critical Care Plus Immersion
 - Specialty selection within the Elective Immersion
- Change requests must be done in accordance with the [UQ-Ochsner Year 4, 2026 Placement Deadlines](#).
- Requests will not be considered outside the published deadlines.
- Due to the logistical and operational complexities involving multiple departments and, in many cases, coordination across two continents, no exceptions will be granted to these deadlines.
- Please refer to the [Allocation Change Requests](#) section on the [Ochsner Clinical Immersions webpage](#) for the process.

Closing Notes & Information

For any questions regarding Ochsner allocations, please contact the UQ-Ochsner Student Administration in New Orleans at med.ocsStudentAdmin@uq.edu.au.

Ochsner Clinical Immersions: medical-school.uq.edu.au/ochsner-clinical-immersions

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- **It is the student's responsibility to be aware of the relevant deadlines and submit applications within the required timeframe. Keep an eye on announcements on the MD Ochsner 2025 Blackboard site!**

Contact

Ochsner Student Administration Team (New Orleans)

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