2026/2027 ADMISSION CAMPAIGN

EU, EEA AND NON-EU CITIZENS

I. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

For 2026 year intake, again the application criterion is the applicant to have positive grade in **the official language of the country where the high school training was completed**.
In order the referred by you applicants to have good chances for admission and to be successful in their application to MUV, we advise you to offer us applicants with strong academic performance (**grades A - C / for German applicants – "sehr gut", "gut", "befriedigend"**).

For NON-EU applicants please note the secondary education diploma grade **in the official language of the country where the high school training was completed** shall be not less than 65% from the possible maximum of the grading system in the respective country).

It is mandatory that the prospective EU, EEA AND NON-EU applicants:

1) have completed upper secondary education (hold a diploma/secondary school leaving certificate/3 A-level subjects/Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife) which must enable/qualify them for higher education (University) studies in the country it was completed.

NB! For applicants following the British curriculum, it is required to have 3 A-level subjects and GCSE certificates. If the applicant has English language grade in the A-Levels, it will be used for the ranking score, otherwise the English language grade from the GCSE will be used (in this case the A-Levels certificate will be also required). We do not consider BTEC and Foundation programmes.

2) have studied, completed and obtained grades in official language of the country where the high school training was completed.

Note that the official language course taught on a degree programme/University level or in a pre-med programme and respectively obtained grade shall not be accepted in place of the required courses and grades on high school level.

Applicants who have negative evaluation (failing marks / "F","mangelhaft" „ungenügend", etc.) in the official language courses in their secondary school (transcripts and Diploma) will not take part in the selection process.

2.1) The official language high school courses marked as optional will not be accepted.

3) Applicants interested in the Programmes taught in English – Medicine, Dental Medicine and Pharmacy shall sit the Biology and Chemistry Entry Tests in English. Those applicants who have failed any of the Entry tests will not participate in the ranking/s for admission.

4) Applicants for the Programmes in English shall meet the **English language requirements**, as follows:
The applicants for the program where the language of instruction is English shall prove their English proficiency by taking an English language proficiency test administered by the Department of Foreign Languages, Communication and Sport or by providing one of the following secondary education diplomas or certificates:

- ***Bilingual diploma*** from a language school where one of the languages of instruction is English, with a matriculation examination in English (level B2 or higher)
- ***International Baccalaureate Diploma*** (IB Diploma for instruction in English): 4 at SL or HL

- ***European Baccalaureate*** (for instruction in English): 80% in EL

The recognized **language proficiency certificates** are as follows:

- ***IELTS Academic:*** **overall band score 6.5 or higher**
- ***Cambridge English Language Assessment (ESOL International):*** **CPE and CAE min. score of 176, FCE score of 190 or higher**
- ***TOEFL iBT*** **(computer-based test): overall minimum score of 90**
- ***TOEFL PBT*** **(paper-based test): overall minimum score of 576**
- ***PTE Academic:*** **overall score of 61 or higher**

For applicants who are citizens of the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), Ireland, the United States, Australia, Canada and New Zealand, as well as for applicants who completed their secondary education in these countries, English language proficiency certification or English language proficiency test is not required. Those applicants shall submit a diploma for high school completion in the UK, Ireland, USA, Australia, Canada (English-speaking part) and New Zealand, with a diploma grade in English language of no less than "Very good" (for applicants following the British curriculum GCSE English language (Grade 6 to 9)).

Applicants, who do not have the required level of English proficiency, may enroll in a Preparatory course in English language proficiency and specialized disciplines.

II. 2026 ENTRY TESTS FOR EU, EEA AND NON-EU CITIZENS

No new edition of the Handbook of Biology and Chemistry tests items is foreseen. We advise you to consider the following preparation tools: "A Handbook of Biology and Chemistry Test Items", 2022 Edition, the Chemistry Textbook, and the sample Entry tests in Biology and Chemistry published on our website as well.

Applicants who failed the preliminary Biology and/or Chemistry Entry tests in English or who get a low pass would have the chance (upon their written request, sent to the email of the Office of Admissions) to re-sit the Entry test/s. The administrative fee for each retake test (Biology, Chemistry or English) amounts to **150 EURO**, payable to the University bank account.

ENTRY TESTS DATES

- April 04, 2026 – Online exam
- May 16, 2026 – Online exam
- June 13, 2026 – Online exam
- July 16, 2026 – Online exam (only for EU applicants) – **Exclusively, for authorized partners only, on this entry tests date NON EU applicants can be registered.**
- September 03, 2026 – Online exam (only for EU applicants) - **Exclusively, for authorized partners only, on this entry tests date NON EU applicants can be registered.**

In year 2026 Medical University Varna will offer online Biology and Chemistry courses:

- **March 27, 2026 – March 29,2026**
- **June 05, 2026 – June 07, 2026**

III. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

1. Completed (successfully registered) e-application form. Please, print it out, get it signed by the applicant and submit it along with the rest of the required supporting application documents.

Please have in mind the following requirements when uploading the scanned documents into the online application system:

- All scans must be from the original documents and not from the copies.
- It is important all the pages of the documents, which contain writing to be scanned (including front & backside of the document). The text of the document shall be readable as well as all signatures and stamps on it.
- Each document shall be scanned in one file – PDF and the latter shall be given the document name (e.g. A-levels, Abiturzeugnis, etc.)
- Uploaded documents (diplomas and letters) shall be in English, German or Bulgarian language. If the original document is in another language, please get it translated into Bulgarian language first and then upload the original along with its Bulgarian translation.
- Uploading good quality applicant's photo is also important as it is later on used in the enrolment form.
- Photographs of documents would be acceptable only if they are clear and do not contain other objects (e.g. fingers, hands, tables, etc).

NB! Please be advised that a Power of attorney, signed in the presence of a Notary Public, must be uploaded as well. E-applications without an uploaded Power of attorney will not be considered!

2. Certified true copy/ duplicate of the document for completed upper secondary education (diploma/secondary school leaving certificate/3 A-level subjects/Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife). Please, note that we cannot accept IGCSE, O-Levels or AS-Levels as an entrance qualification.
Copies can only be made from the original document. Copies of copies will not be accepted!

3. Certified true copy/ duplicate of the official transcript of all studied subjects in secondary education (high school) as well as the obtained final marks in the subjects.
Copies can only be made from the original document. Copies of copies will not be accepted!

Applicants following the British curriculum submit all their GCSE, AS (if applicable) and GCE A-level certificates, issued by one of the official examination boards in the UK. Further details are available in our FAQs.

When the students apply before they have received their final GCE A-level, the official **Statement of results** issued by the college or the examination board (**for German applicants** - **Bescheinigungen über die Schullaufbahn in den ersten drei Halbjahren der Qualifikationsphase)** shall be submitted upon applying and additionally - the actual certificate / Abiturzeugnis**.**

4. An **official document/letter** issued by an authorized body (the applicant's high school/college) confirming that the obtained upper secondary qualification/Diploma qualifies the student for higher (University) studies in the country where it was completed.

- **For German applicants** - please mind that documents 3 and 4 are part of the Diploma / Abiturzeugnis and additional documents are not required.

All the above listed documents (2, 3 and 4) must be legalized (attested) along with apostille stamps, translated into Bulgarian and certified in accordance with the provisions of the international treaties of the Republic of Bulgaria with the host/issuing state. In the absence of such provisions, the general procedure for legalization, translation and certification of documents and other papers is applicable.

Please review the information on the legalization here: https://nacid.bg/en/document-certification/

N.B. The verifications of the school documents will be done at **NACID**. They are very strict about the certifications of the documents and they **WILL NOT** accept notary copies of the documents that confirm the document is true to the original. The notary/lawyer expressly has to state that he/she has verified the **authenticity of the document**.

IMPORTANT! *Legalized documents (documents with apostille stamps – 2, 3, 4) need to be officially translated into Bulgarian in one of the following two ways:*

- by a consular or Diplomatic official in the country where the document is issued;

or

- by a translation agency authorized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria (Translation offices in Bulgaria are offering this along with the translation service).

Note: All authentications (apostilles and seals) must be original (wet stamps and seals are required on the application documents), which are to be submitted at Medical University of Varna. **Photocopies of legalized documents will not be accepted!**

6. For NON-EU applicants - a declaration by the applicant`s parent(s) for financial support during his/her studies in the Republic of Bulgaria at the Medical University of Varna, legalized by a Notary Public and accompanied by its official translation into Bulgarian. **Please make one simple photocopy of the finally prepared declaration for the registration in the Migration office.**

7. A copy of the valid ID/international passport of the applicant (only the pages with the photo and personal data).

8. Five recently-taken color photos /passport size/

9. If the name of the applicant on any of the application documents (high-school diploma or higher education eligibility letter) differs from the name in applicant`s passport, a document confirming the change of the name/s – name affidavit (legalized and translated into Bulgarian as per the above described order) must be submitted along with the rest of required application documents.

10. For year 2026 **NACID certificate** (verification of secondary school diploma and credentials by the National center of information and documentation - NACID) for all applicants is required to be submitted together with all paper documents. **Only applicants with submitted all paper documents will be included in the ranking!**

In respect of the delay with receiving the NACID certificates and afterwards the visas of NON-EU applicants, we kindly ask you to make the necessary arrangements in order to prepare (certify and apostille) the paper documents of the applicants as soon as possible.

NB! Regarding this, below you will be able to find address of the NACID institution in Bulgaria, where you will be able to issue this NACID certificates:

NACID - 52 A, Dr. G.M. Dimitrov Blvd. 1125 Sofia, Bulgaria

https://nacid.bg/en/recognition-of-secondary-education-obtained-in-a-foreign-country-school/information/

12. Except all the above listed documents, authorized representatives shall also submit a Power of attorney. The latter must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public and then legalized and translated into Bulgarian language in the above-described order. Enclosed, please find the ***2026 Sample text of the Power of attorney***.

The deadline for submission of paper supporting application documents **for EU and EEA applicants** for the Programmes Medicine, Dental Medicine and Pharmacy with English language of instruction is **September 11, 2026 (with issued NACID Certificate!).**

If you plan to recruit **NON-EU students**, please note the period/deadline for submission of the application documents at MUV is **no later than September 11, 2026 (with issued NACID Certificate!).**

Important! *Only applicants who have submitted the whole set of the required application documents (legalized and translated into Bulgarian language as per our requirements, including NACID certificate) would be included in the ranking/s for admission!*

You may advise interested candidates to apply and submit the whole set of application documents as early as possible and not to wait for the deadline (detailed 2026/2027 application and admission requirements will be available here, at the end of February: (https://www.mu-varna.bg/EN/Admission).

Application documents (legalized and translated into Bulgarian language) will be returned to the applicants who were not accepted or withdrawn/cancelled their application to MUV only upon their written request and within one year after their application date at MUV. Applicants are responsible for collecting the application documents back or covering the postage!

NB! Accepted students cannot defer the beginning of their studies for the following year/intake as the application and the admission are for the particular academic year (the academic year they applied for).

IV. SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants, who meet the Entry requirements (including the English language requirements) and passed the Entry tests successfully, compete with one another on the base of their ranking score in the ranking/s for the places that are available for the relevant program. The ranking score is calculated as follows:

- The official language secondary school leaving certificate grade
- Biology and Chemistry Entry tests results multiplied by three
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The possible maximum ranking score is 42.

* For applicants with Bulgarian diploma-please contact the office of admissions.

The higher the Entry tests and secondary school living certificate grades are, the better chances for admission would be.

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(legalized and translated into Bulgarian language as per our requirements, including NACID certificate) would be included in the ranking/s for admission!

Upon completing of the application process, applications will be evaluated, assessed and after the ranking/s of the applicants, the admission decision will be communicated with the candidates in a due course via an e-mail/letter. The application status could be also tracked through our online application system.

V. FEES AND PAYMENTS

The administrative fee for admission and processing of application documents (30 EUR) and sitting the Entry tests in English (300 EUR) amounts to **330 EURO** (non-refundable fee) as it is required to be covered in advance not later than one week before the Entry Tests date.

Please be informed that from 2026, EURO is the official payment currency in Bulgaria. In this respect all fees - administrative fee for admission of application documents, sitting the Entry tests, issuing the MUV certificate (for NON-EU applicants), the semester tuition fees, preparatory courses, etc. can be transferred in EUR **ONLY** the account below:

MU-Varna bank account in EUR
DSK BANK PLC, Sofia/Bulgaria
BIC: STSABGSF
IBAN: BG24STSA93003100040700
In favour of:
Medical University Varna
55 "Marin Drinov" St., Varna 9000, Bulgaria

The annual tuition fee for 2026-2027 is expected to be 10 000 EUR for Medicine and Dental medicine.

The academic year 2026/2027 for first year students (enrolled in the programmes taught in English language at MU-Varna) will start **October 5, 2026** preceded by the O-week/days.