

## GRAD EXPO

### Faculty of Medicine

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- Takes 2-3 tries on average to get in
- Total: 10 years for family doctor, 13 for surgeon/specialties
- Class of 2022:
  - o Average age: 24, GPA: 3.8/4.0, MCAT: 509
- Get a job and/or volunteer
  - o Strengthens CV
  - o Medically related experience is best
  - o No experience but A+ average is not a good thing
- Two campuses
  - o Halifax and Saint John, NB
  - o Maritime seats: 99, non-maritime: 9
- Admission criteria
  - o Full course load
  - o MMI weighted 40 points – who you are is the most important
- All info on the website, but feel free to drop in

### School of Communication Science and Disorders

Steve & Julianna

- Two professions
  - o Speech-language pathology and Audiology
  - o Both are 3 year masters programs
    - 22 courses, thesis or research project
    - Clinical practical throughout program
- High job satisfaction and career paths
  - o Most students receive job offers before studies end
  - o Salaries range, median is 83k
- Speech-language pathology
  - o Health care for disorders of communication and swallowing: ASD, aphasia, etc.
  - o 26 people admitted last year
- Audiology
  - o Primary hearing health care, oral rehabilitation, neurodiagnostics
  - o 13 people admitted last year
- No pre reqs
  - o GPA: min 3.3, average ~ 4.0 – last two years only
    - Many people try many times, apply to many places
  - o GRE – no minimum

## Law

Michael

- JD
  - 3 years
  - LSAT weighted 40% (best score), GPA weighted 60% (best last 10 credits/cGPA if higher)
  - Personal statement, letters of reference
  - Deadline February 20 for September entrance
  - Neuro is an excellent background – analytical background and concise writing skills an asset
- Masters of Health Administration
  - 2 years
  - Any background
  - Trained to be health care leaders
  - GPA (best last 10 credits/cGPA if higher)
  - Personal statement, letters of reference
  - All components of application are considered together – given considerable weight
  - GMAT
- JD/MHA
  - You get both: 4 years
  - Apply to law school and school of HA separately – if you get accepted by both you're in the program
  - Only LSAT required
- Rose Godfrey
  - Go see her, very helpful – will give you a sense of where you might be ranked in terms of admissions
  - 170 first year seats, 20 reserved for late admissions
- LSAT
  - Not knowledge based, reading comprehension, logic

## MSc Psychiatry Research

Sherry Stewart

- 1 of 3 programs in the country
- PhD program in the works
- Program components
  - Thesis and course work
    - Core courses: psychopathology, research methods + statistics and one elective
    - Variety of research topics
      - Early psychosis program, FORBOW program, cognitive health & recovery program, addictions research, emotions & health research program, aboriginal mental health, developmental psychopathology & youth mental health

- No grads yet – new program
  - o Most use as a stepping stone to med school, PhD in psych/clinical psych
  - o Great training to be a lab manger, RA
  - o Pharmaceuticals
  - o Teaching in colleges
- Application
  - o Deadline December 1 for September
  - o Minimum 3.7 GPA in last 2 years
  - o Bachelor’s degree in related field
  - o Two letters of reference, CV (research experience), personal statement
  - o Stipend guaranteed – but you must apply to external funding (Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>)
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### Dentistry

Jo-Anne Roski - J.Roski@Dal.Ca

- 4-year dentistry, 2-year dental hygiene
- 3.7 in final 60 credit hours
- Dental aptitude test – best score from each section if you write it multiple times, score good for two years
- Manual dexterity test – not required atm but could be later, good practice
- Class of 40 students

### MBA

Dan Shaw – dan.shaw@dal.ca

- Program is 22 months
- Science students do very well
- Excellent job potential
  - o 50-100k salary coming out of the program, average 65k
- Designed for people who do not have business experience yet – career launching
- Average GPA: 3.5, min 3.3
- GMAT, MCAT, DAT, LSAT – any will be accepted if you show high aptitude

### MSc Medical Neuroscience

Bill Baldrige & Kazue Semba

- New program, previously anatomy and neurobiology
- Research in the department:
  - o Spinal cord injury, ALS, stroke, PD and MS
  - o Retinal circuitry & disease, BBB & epilepsy, sleep & sleep deprivation, neuronal control of the heart
  - o Glaucoma, AD, mental illness
- Preferred 3.7 GPA or higher in last two years
- Independent research experience necessary (e.g. BSc Hons)
- No GRE required
- Stipend support

- Total of 29 students: 18 PhD and 11 MSc
  - o More than half transfer to PhD after 1 year, not necessary to complete the MSc
- Course work: 12 credit hours (4 one-term courses)
  - o Required: medical neuroscience MSc graduate seminar
- Written thesis and oral defence
- Contact: [medneuroscigrad@dal.ca](mailto:medneuroscigrad@dal.ca), [k.semba@dal.ca](mailto:k.semba@dal.ca)

### MA Health Promotion

- Two other programs from the school of health and human performance as well: MSc kinesiology, MA leisure studies
- Admitted # of students depends on faculty availability to supervise
- Careers: health promoters, health educators, etc.
- Research based program
- Many people go onto PhD, MD
- Admissions
  - o Sufficient background in related fields (bachelor's degree)
  - o 3.5 GPA over last 2 years (20 courses)
  - o Intro stats: grade of 'B' or better
  - o Must have completed a research methods course
  - o Research experience is an asset – i.e. Hons
- Funding
  - o Eligible for internal funding if GPA 3.7+ and meet deadline
  - o Teaching assistantships
  - o External funding (CIHR, SSHRC, NSHRF)
  - o Funding workshop