

Specialised Foundation Programmes (SFP) 2024

White Space Question set for SFP 2024

These questions are provided as a record of the questions that appear in the SFP application form on Oriel. All applications must be completed in Oriel during the published [application window](#). The word count limit is 200 for each question.

Each Specialised Unit of Application (SUoA) has its own local shortlisting and selection process. Applicants must check the website of the SUoA(s) that they wish to apply to for guidance on their local requirements before beginning to complete this part of the application form. SUoA website links are available on the [UKFPO “Foundation Schools” webpage](#).

Some SUoAs may require applicants to only complete some of the white space questions below (and not all). Where this applies, applicants should write “not applicable” into the answer box on Oriel if a question is not required by the SUoA.

Career Goals

- What are your specific reasons for applying for a SFP? Please highlight how the programme will contribute to your career plans and briefly outline these.

Programme Interests

Some foundation schools offer separate SFPs focused on research, medical education/teaching, and/or leadership and management.

- Please indicate which types of programmes you would wish to be considered for.
 - Research
 - Education and Training
 - Leadership and Management
- Please explain your rationale for your choice of programme

Research

- Please outline your previous research experience and achievements.

Education and Teaching

- Please describe (1) your previous relevant teaching experience and achievements as a teacher, within and outside medicine (2) your experience in simulation training and the value of development of simulation training for doctors.

Leadership

- Give one example in which you have demonstrated your leadership abilities. The example should be from your undergraduate experience (or postgraduate experience if relevant) and should identify your specific role and contribution as a leader and its relevance to academic activities.

Team Working

- Academic medicine requires an individual to work successfully in a team. Describe a time that is relevant to your foundation training when you have worked as a successful member of a team and identify your role and contribution to this success. Explain the significance of this experience to your application.