

UK Foundation Programme (UKFP) 2022

National Allocation Update

Introduction

The purpose of this statement is to provide information in relation to the release of allocation to foundation school results for the 2022 Foundation Programme. The primary list allocation results were released at 0600 GMT on Thursday 10th March 2022. There are currently **8209 programmes** filled (this includes additional posts created for FP 2022) and **791 applicants** remaining in the application process.

For 2022, a number of standard FP programmes were advertised as foundation priority programmes. In addition, Units of Application also recruited to Specialised Foundation Programmes (previously known as Academic Foundation Programmes). These programmes were recruited separately and prior to the national allocation process. Further information about fill rates for these programmes has been provided below.

Overview

A total of 8209 foundation training places have been filled for the 2022 Foundation Programme. This includes 7405 in the primary list allocation and 804 who accepted offers for priority and specialised programmes.

Primary List

The UKFPO can confirm that over 90% of applicants remaining in the process at the time of the national allocation have been successfully allocated to foundation schools, with 94% of primary list applicants being allocated to one of their top five preferences. Of the 7405 applicants allocated to the primary list, 74% have been allocated to their first preference foundation school and 86% have been allocated to one of their top two preferences.

The primary list comprises of 6760 (91%) UK nominees and 645 (9%) applicants who applied through the UKFPO's Eligibility Office, which is in line with the data from previous years. Of the total number of UK medical school graduates included in the final allocation run, 95% were allocated to the primary list.

Reserve List

A total of 791 applicants have been placed on the reserve list this year. The number of applicants placed on the reserve list has increased compared to 2021 when the list comprised 494 applicants:

Year	Number of applicants on the reserve list
2016	45
2017	25
2018	202
2019	425
2020	260
2021	494

Of the 791 applicants placed on the reserve list, 393 (49.7 %) are UK medical school nominees and 398 (50.3 %) are eligibility applicants.

The UKFPO will be working closely with foundation schools and medical schools over the coming weeks to ensure suitable pastoral support is in place for reserve list applicants.

The UKFPO will endeavour to allocate reserve list applicants at the earliest opportunity subject to primary list applicant withdrawals. All applicants on the reserve list are expected to be allocated to a post, as in previous years.

Allocation Results

Allocation results were released on Oriel at 0600 GMT on Thursday 10th March 2022. The timing was adjusted this year based on feedback we received from previous applicants. We hope this will be more convenient for everyone.

It is expected that there will be applicant withdrawals shortly after the primary list allocation as experienced in previous years. The intention will be to allocate applicants who are placed on the reserve list at the earliest possible convenience once all primary list applicants have been matched to programmes.

Primary list applicants will receive their match to programme results on Thursday 7th April 2022.

Foundation Priority Programmes and Specialised Foundation Programmes

A total of 268 foundation training posts were filled through the priority programmes initiative and 536 through the specialised foundation programmes, prior to national allocation to standard FP places. In the majority of cases, any unfilled priority or specialised programmes were included in the national allocation to foundation schools.

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