



# International Medical Graduates Fellowship Eligibility Policy

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## PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline the conditions under which International Medical Graduates may attain Fellowship of the Australasian College of Dermatologists.

## SCOPE

## DEFINITIONS/KEY WORDS/ABBREVIATIONS

**International medical graduate (IMG)** means specialists who have gained their dermatological qualification from any country other than Australia.

**Specialist Recognition** means recognised as a specialist and eligible for full specialist registration in Australia.

**The College** means the Australasian College of Dermatologists

**BoD** refers to the Board of Directors of the Australasian College of Dermatologists

**AMC** refers to the Australian Medical Council

**AHPRA** refers to the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

## POLICY

IMGs are eligible for Fellowship under the following conditions:

- Those required to complete 6, 12 or 24 months of upskilling have successfully completed all requirements as laid out in their training plan by the IMG Assessment Committee and have been recommended to the AMC for Specialist Recognition.
- They provide the Board with the following:

- Written notification that they wish to be elected to Fellowship of the college
  - Biography of IMG
  - Letter from the IMG Assessment Committee confirming successful completion of their studies as measured against their original assessment and satisfactory completion of their Trainee Portfolio
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- Any other general conditions as per national trainees being elected to Fellowship
  - Additionally all IMGs must undertake a twelve month mentoring program in their first year as a Fellow.
  - In certain circumstances an IMG may be admitted to, and commence in, the training program without their overseas dermatology qualifications being verified by the AMC. If they successfully complete all their training requirements College will recommend their status to the MBA, but will not grant Fellowship until the AMC has verified the IMG overseas dermatology qualifications.