



**THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE
MD STUDENT CONFERENCE
PUZZLES**

**MDSC Puzzles 2024
Act IV, Scene 1
The Match**

It's finally time to enter the Intern Match! I really want to get into the best hospital for internship; I wonder which one that is? In any case, gotta fill out the application process.

Step 1: Submit your Cover Letter

Dear Supervisor of Medical Training,

I hope this letter finds you well.

I am delighted to apply for an internship at your hospital. As an exemplary medical student who is highly proficient in important clinical skills such as solving puzzles, I am delighted and extremely ecstatic to apply. For starters, I'm honestly an exceptional student, and I can demonstrate such through the persistent, scholastic study that blasts stern consultants away. Your trust in me translates to instant success of strategy and investment in the future of your health system.

Part of what makes me a good candidate is my understanding of your institution's values, which are:

- Sing Christmas songs like Bruce for example (7)
- Code leases a celestial object (8-4)
- Orbit animal hair stripe (7)
- Don't HIIT sibling (11)

I exhibited my comprehension of such values through my stellar performances in the five SJTs, specifically scoring 20, 7, 11, 83 and 16. Such high marks were reciprocated in the formative assessments which I sat on the following dates: 1/1, 3/5, 11/2, 13/2, 15/2, 7/9, 8/8.

Aside from theoretical study, I was also fortunate to be exposed to clinical instruction from doctors and pharmacists from your institution. The teaching encompassed a broad spectrum of conditions and novel therapies, such as using *Nematolepis squamea* to treat the bloody flux, to treat winter fever with a plant that produces both seeds and oil, hydrophobia with *Quercus rubra*, jail fever with a root vegetable, and ship fever with a symbiote of algae and fungi. I was also able to attend sub-specialty consultations and interventions, such as in radiation oncology, where I witnessed remarkable palliative therapy that cost only \$3,997 for the patient.

My exposure to diverse patients, in addition to the above, particularly broadened when I was rotated to the Emergency Department, where I had the privilege to participate in the

management of severely unwell patients. Varied cases I witnessed include a gentleman suffering from starvation secondary to jaw infection, another gentleman with pneumonia secondary to insanity and porphyria, a Turkish-speaking gentleman presenting with coma, a lady with a possible snake bite, and lastly a gentleman suffering from food poisoning from consuming lampreys!

All-in-all, I believe my varied experiences make me an ideal candidate to be an intern at your institution, and I am therefore greatly honoured to apply.

Kind regards,

You

Step 2: Submit your hospital preferences

Preference #1: (1, 4)

Preference #2: (10, 3)

Preference #3: (3, 1)

Preference #4: (4, 2)

Preference #5: (2, 11)

Preference #6: (7, 2)