MEDICINE

A challenging, rewarding and fulfilling career

Are YOU…?
✓ caring and compassionate?
✓ a superb communicator?
✓ committed and conscientious?
✓ willing to work long hours in a very demanding environment?
✓ comfortable with exams and long study periods?
✓ reliable, professional and trustworthy?

Do YOU have…?
✓ lots of patience?
✓ a strong stomach?
✓ a talent for science?
✓ a broad range of interests?

…then this COULD BE YOU!

Learn another LANGUAGE to add to your skills in this highly competitive field
How?
Think about:

✔ Gaining work experience e.g. in a local hospital – this is essential when applying for Medicine or Nursing or any other medical discipline

✔ Getting A Levels in Maths, Biology and another Science, at least 1 other AS level, GCSEs in English or Welsh, Maths and Science – note that most universities require very high grades in all subjects in order to get a place

✔ Demonstrating that you have a broad range of interests – languages are ideal for showing that you have an understanding of other cultures and that you have excellent communication skills

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Want to know more?
Check these out:

Advice on study, training and careers in medicine –
• NHS Wales Careers
  www.nhswalescareers.com
• www.stepintothennhs.nhs.uk
• www.medicalcareers.nhs.uk
• www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students
• www.see-science.co.uk

Advice on the next step –
• www.ucas.com
• www.careerswales.com

Advice on languages –
• www.ciltcymru.org.uk
• www.routesintolanguages.ac.uk/cymru
• www.studyinglanguages.ac.uk
• www.languageswork.org.uk
• www.whystudylanguages.ac.uk
• www.europa.eu/languages
• Check out the European Commission’s website for opportunities to work and study abroad: http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/languages_en.htm

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