London Metropolitan University & The University of Health Sciences, Antigua

http://www.londonmet.ac.uk/ug-prospectus/courses-10-11/biomedical-sciences-leading-to-md.cfm

This is a BSc in Biomedical Sciences at London Metropolitan University, which leads on to further study at the University of Health Sciences in Antigua (UHSA) where you can achieve a MD in Medicine.

You would be eligible to take the PLAB, which would accredit you to practice medicine in the UK (or you can take equivalent exams for the USA or Canada). The course has a lower entry level than the other UK medical schools (300pts e.g. BBB) but the years in Antigua have higher tuition fees.

It is estimated that tuition fees, accommodation, insurance, food etc comes to £33,100 per year. You take the BSc in London over 3 yrs and then providing you achieve a 2:1 and participate in 2 Summer Schools in Antigua you can transfer to the MD course. This lasts 2 yrs and involves clinical rotations in hospitals in the USA, UK or Puerto Rica.

Students who don’t have the appropriate A-levels may also do a Foundation course prior to the BSc at London Met. This course has two entry points – one through UCAS as usual for start in September and one for entry in February where you must apply to London Met directly (see website for form).

The following courses are purely overseas courses, are not applied for through UCAS and are not (usually) affiliated with a UK university.
Charles University – Prague, Czech Republic

1st Faculty of Medicine – www.lf1.cuni.cz

Charles University offers a 5-year medical course and the degree is recognised by the EU.

In order to apply you must send in a specific application form (which you can download from their website) and then take an entrance exam (this can be taken in the UK at Abbey College in Worcestershire or at Imperial College in London).

The deadline for completing the form is generally in May and there are usually a couple of dates for the exam (June and early September). The cost of the course is €13,000 per year which doesn’t include accommodation, meals, books, etc.

The course is taught in English, but you will need to develop basic skills in Czech to communicate successfully with patients during the ward rounds.

*The course offers lessons in Medical Czech over the first 3 years.*
Palacky University – Olomouc, Czech Republic

www.palacky.com

Palacky University offers a 6-year General Medicine course taught in English. In order to apply you need to pass three A-level subjects – Biology and Chemistry are mandatory and Physics and Maths are recommended.

You require AAB (no more than 3 years old) to be invited for an interview, although you may be considered for an entrance exam with alternative grades (Bs and Cs). The exam is a multiple-choice test in Biology, Chemistry and Physics or Maths.

The deadline for application is in May, although you may apply later than this if places are still available. The exams/interviews are in the first half of July (in the UK) and sometimes in August if any places remain.

The cost of the course is €9,500 per academic year.
Maskarysk University is based in Brno and offers a 6-year course culminating in a M.D. in General Medicine. The cost of the course is €9,000 per year.

Students are accepted on the basis of a written 1-hour entrance exam (multiple-choice) in Physics, Chemistry and Biology. As with Charles University, this exam can be taken in the UK at Abbey College in May.

Applications must be made via the university’s specific application form by the end of April, although late entries may be accepted.

_During the course, you will be given lessons and exams in the Czech language in order for you to be able to communicate effectively with patients._
University of Pecs – Pecs, Hungary

www.pote.hu

Pecs offers a 6-year medical course in English split into 2 pre-clinical and 3 clinical years with a one-year rotating internship.

There are around 100 places on the English course each year. There is also a 5-year Dentistry course with around 20 places.

In order to apply, you need to fill in an application form and you may then be invited to take an entrance examination at any time between February and July.

Applicants with A-levels in either Chemistry and Biology or Biology and Physics can be granted exemption from the entrance exam (C grades or above). There are, however, around 4-5 applicants per place and these are candidates from all over the world, so applications should be made early. The deadline for applications is at the end of June (late applications may be considered).

The tuition fee for the course is $10,900 per year. There are also application and entrance examination fees (€135/€135).
Semmelweis University – Budapest, Hungary

www.sote.hu/english/

Semmelweis has an English Language Programme that runs a 6-year Medical course. This is 2 years of general medical studies, 3 clinical and one is a rotating internship.

There are around 120 places. Applications should be made via the university application form by the end of April. Qualified applicants will be invited for an entrance exam that is multiple-choice and covers Biology, Chemistry and English (there is a guideline of topics) and also an interview.

The course costs US$12,200 per year (there are also application – US$200, and entrance examination US$250 charges).
Szeged University – Szeged, Hungary

www.szote.u-szeged.hu/angoltit/english/

This is a 6-year course similar to those at Pecs and Semmelweis.

The deadline for applications is at the end of July (late applications may be considered) and applications are made via an application form. There is a written and oral exam in Biology, Chemistry and English (a list of topics is available).

The cost of the course is between US$7,000 and 9,130 per year.
Medical University of Gdansk (MUG) – Poland

www.ed.amg.gda.pl / www.readmedicine.com

This is a 6-year degree taught in English based on the Northern coast of Poland.

The entry requirements are similar to the UK, i.e. a conditional offer is given on A/AS grades and also a possible interview. Applications need to be submitted between the start of May and mid-June.

The tuition fee is £10,000 for the first year and then £7,000 per annum.
St George’s University – Grenada, West Indies

www.sgu.edu

The School of Medicine offers three years of premedical sciences as a foundation for Medical Sciences so as to accommodate students from different academic backgrounds.

UK students offering A-level grades will be assessed and placed into the appropriate term depending on their academic background. If your A-Level grades are good enough, you may only have to do the final year of this course.

On applying via an application form, candidates may then be invited for an interview – this will probably be held in the UK. There are two intakes into the medicine course per year, one in August and the other in January. There is a rolling admissions policy with the deadline for August being in June (15th) and that for January being in November (15th).

Costs are around US$25,000 per year to study premedical sciences going up to around US$50,000 during the medical course and there is also an application fee of US$75.

*The breakdown of costs is not particularly clear so check carefully.*
St Matthew’s University – Grand Cayman, British Caribbean

www.stmatthews.edu / www.readmedicine.com

This is an opportunity to study 2 years pre-clinical training on the British Cayman Islands with the clinical part of the course based in the UK.

Undergraduates must complete a Pre-Med Programme at the University of Sussex in Brighton (i.e. the whole course lasts 5 years, with 3 of those being in the UK). There are three intakes per year in January, May and August and you apply initially via an application form that may be followed up with an interview either by phone or in person (in the UK).

There are no entrance exams or tests for the pre-med course at Sussex, although there is usually an interview.

Tuition fees are $30,000 per year.
Additional Links:

- Institute for International Medical Education - [www.iime.org](http://www.iime.org)
  This website lists all the Medical Schools in the World by country and has links to their websites;

- Czech Medical University Courses Admissions Service (CMUCAS) – [www.cmucas.com](http://www.cmucas.com)
  This is the body which oversees UK applications to Czech Universities. Based at Abbey College in Malvern;

- Study Hungary – [www.studyhungary.hu](http://www.studyhungary.hu)
  This is the best organisation to contact regarding any application to a Hungarian University in the first instance;

- List of countries and med schools: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medical_student](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medical_student)