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Introduction

These regulations will be applicable to the students of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) course at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rajkot.

The duration of MBBS is 5½ years i.e. 4½ MBBS course + 1 year compulsory internship.

The MBBS course of 4½ years is divided into three professional phases and nine semesters as under:

Phase-I: 1st Professional-Pre-clinical

- 1st Professional duration is 1 year (2 Semester of 6 months each)
- Subjects:
 - o Anatomy
 - o Physiology
 - Biochemistry

Phase-II: 2nd Professional- Para Clinical

- 2nd Professional duration is 1½ year (3 Semester of 6 months each)
- Subjects:
 - Pathology
 - Microbiology
 - Pharmacology
 - o Forensic Medicine

Phase-III: 3rd (Final) Professional- Clinical

- 3rd Professional duration is 2 year (4 Semester of 6 months each)
- Subjects:
 - o Medicine including Psychiatry and Dermatology
 - o Surgery including Orthopaedics, ENT, Ophthalmology and Anaesthesiology,
 - Paediatrics
 - Obstetrics & Gynaecology
 - Community and Family Medicine (CFM)

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Professional Examinations:

Professional examinations will be held at the end of each phase. The Institute shall conduct not more than two professional examinations in an academic year- a regular annual Professional and a supplementary Professional examination in each subject.

The supplementary exam will be conducted within 45 days of declaration of result of Professional exams. Practical Examinations shall be jointly conducted by a panel of two internal and two external examiners duly appointed by the Professor of Examinations.

Eligibility of students appearing in M.B.B.S. Professional Examinations:

Head of Department shall submit a list of students (based on attendance) eligible for corresponding Professional examination.

A. Rules for Attendance

The M.B.B.S. students must obtain 75% attendance in aggregate as well as separately in Theory and practical (i.e. 75% in theory and 75% in practical) in each of the subjects (also allied) before they are permitted to appear in the 1st Professional Examination, 2nd Professional and 3rd M.B.B.S. Final Professional examination. The attendance shall be displayed by each department for the students every 3 months and for clinical postings at the end of scheduled posting with information to the Dean (Academics). Dean (Academics) shall display the list of students who are short of attendance, every 3 months on notice board.

The attendance shall be intimated to the students after 2^{nd} Semester / 5^{th} Semester / 9^{th} Semester Examinations for 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} Professional appearing batches.

1. The students who are short of attendance, may be given the opportunity to make up for the attendance through Extra/ compensatory classes in regular working days after 2nd Semester / 5th Semester / 9th Semester pre-professional examination till 3 days before the commencement of the 1st / 2nd / 3rd Professional Examination. The students who make up their attendance will be allowed to appear in 1st/ 2nd / 3rd Professional examination. Those who are unable to make

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up attendance, will appear in Supplementary Examination after they make up attendance. One attempt shall be counted.

- 2. If the students are not able to make up attendance as per clause 1, they will be given one more opportunity to make up attendance till 10 days before the commencement of the Supplementary Examination by allowing them to attend classes with the junior batch. (In the event of delay in joining of junior batch, extra classes can be arranged). The students who will make up their attendance will be allowed to appear in the Supplementary examination. This will be counted as Second attempt.
- 3. Those who are unable to make up attendance as per Clause 2, will be allowed to make up the attendance by attending classes with the Junior Batch. On making up attendance and clearance from Dean (Academics), they will be allowed to attend classes of the next Professional with their batch. However, they are required to pass in the Professional Exam (in which they were short of attendance) before appearing for the Professional Exam with their batch. This will be counted as third attempt.
- 4. Those who could not to pass as per clause 3, shall appear in Supplementary Exam and this shall be counted as 4th attempt.
 - *Alternatively, students who do not fulfill attendance requirements may opt to repeat with junior batch, in this case no extra attempt would be counted.
- 5. It is mandatory for the students of 7th Semester to appear in the 7th Semester examination at the end to be eligible for subsequent semester examinations.
- Absence on account of medical ground will be examined by duly constituted Medical Board
 of AIIMS Rajkot and attendance shall be compensated on the recommendation of the board
 and approval of competent authority.
- 7. The participation of MBBS students in any conferences/festivals both within and outside the institute will be approved by Dean (Academics) for the purpose of attendance after verifying

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his/her attendance and examination schedule. The same will be intimated to the concerned departments and Controller of Examinations.

B. Rules for Internal Assessment

The M.B.B.S. students must obtain 40% marks in internal assessment in aggregate as well as separately in theory and practical in each subject before they are permitted to appear in the 1st Professional Examination, 2nd Professional and 3rd M.B.B.S. Final Professional examination.

The internal assessment marks will be displayed by each department at the end of 2nd semester/5th semester/9th semester examination in consultation with Dean (Academics).

Examination fee for appearing in Professional Examination:

There shall be an examination fee of Rs 500/- (Rupees five hundred only) per subject per examination for appearing in Professional (Annual/ supplementary) examination.

Criteria for passing in a subject

- In the Final Examination of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Professional, 50% of total marks are based on internal assessments, and 50% on the basis of performance in the professional examination.
- A candidate must obtain 50% marks separately in Theory and in Practical in order to be declared as passed in that subject.
- In subjects that have more than one papers, the candidate must secure minimum 50% of marks in aggregate (all papers together) to pass in the said subject.

Grace Marks

- The grace marks up to a maximum of five marks may be awarded at the discretion of competent authority to a student failing in either theory or practical of only one subject but has passed in all other subjects of respective professional year examination.
- This will be followed for regular professional examination only. No grace marks shall be applicable in supplementary examination.

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Revaluation of Answer papers:

There is no provision for revaluation of answer papers.

Retotalling of marks:

Any student who wishes to get his/her marks retotalled may be given an opportunity. Retotalling can be applied for 50% of total subjects for an examination within 07 days from the date of declaration of result. Fee comprising of 50% of regular fee per paper is to be paid for retotalling. This shall include only verification of marks and the total of all marks given.

MBBS Examinations Rules:

A. Rules for Professional Examinations:

- 1. The total duration to pass MBBS shall be maximum 8 years.
- 2. A student's name will be struck off from the rolls of the institute in any of the following cases if he/she does not qualify/pass:
 - (a) 1st Professional Examination in 3 attempts including regular and supplementary examinations (for all subjects)
 - (b) 2nd Professional Examination in 4 attempts i.e. 2 regular plus 2 supplementary examinations (for all subjects)
 - (c) 3rd Professional Examination (pre final/ final professional) in 4 attempts including regular and supplementary examination (for all subjects).
- 3. A student who fails in one subject in 1st MBBS professional exam shall be allowed to attend the classes of 2nd year. A student failing in a single subject of the 1st Professional exam will be promoted to the 2nd professional but will have to pass the failed subject of 1st Professional before being allowed to appear for the 2nd Professional exam.
- 4. Those failing in 2nd professional exam will be allowed to attend the classes of next professional. However, such student will be allowed to appear in the 3rd professional exams only after passing the 2nd professional.

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- 5. If a student does not appear in Theory Examinations (Professional), he/she shall not be allowed to appear for Practical Examinations.
- 6. If a student appears for theory examinations in the Professional Examination but is not able to appear for Practical Examination due to illness, duly certified by AIIMS Rajkot Medical Board, his/ her theory attempt shall not be counted. The student will have to appear for both Theory and Practical Examinations in the next upcoming Professional Examinations (Annual/ Supplementary). However, this attempt would be counted as a fresh attempt.
- 7. If a student appears for theory examinations in the Professional Exams but is not able to appear for Practical Exams not due to illness (Other than point mentioned above), his/ her theory attempt shall be considered. The student will have to appear for both Theory and Practical Examinations in the next upcoming Professional Examinations (Annual/ Supplementary).
- 8. If a student appears for both Theory and Practicals in Professional Examinations in 1 or more subjects but not all, his/her result shall be declared and if the student fails in the subjects he/ she has appeared his or her attempt shall be counted.
- 9. If a candidate doesn't appear in the Professional examination due to illness, he/she will be required to submit certificate from the Consultant of AIIMS for first time and if it is repeated for 2nd time than it should be certified by the Medical Board of the Institute (Medical Board is to be constituted by the Executive Director). The Dean (Examination) may be authorized to take a decision whether there is a genuine case or not. If the Dean (Examination) is satisfied, this will not be counted as an attempt, otherwise it will be counted as an attempt on account of absenteeism.

B. Rules for Supplementary Examination:

- 1. For the supplementary exam, 25% of weightage will be carried forward from internal assessment and 75% will be allotted to the supplementary exam.
- 2. The supplementary exam will be conducted within 45 days of declaration of result of Professional exams.

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3. For those failing in supplementary exams, there will be no weightage of Internal Assessment Marks when he/she subsequently appearing in the next due Examination.

C. Re-Assessment Rules for Internal Examination for M.B.B.S.

- 1. The students who are not able to appear in a particular mid or end semester examination/ Part completion test/ End posting assessment due to illness or any other valid reason and who want to avail of another opportunity should apply within 15 days after the commencement of the mid or end semester examination/ Part completion test/ End posting assessment to the Dean (Examination) through the Head of the Department of the Speciality in which they missed the examination supported with a medical certificate from a Faculty member (in case of illness) or along with a documentary proof of valid reasons for their absence.
- 2. The Dean (Examination) will fix a date for the re-examination in consultation with the Head of the respective Department immediately after 15 days of the commencement of the regular examination. No further re-examination will be held for any student under any circumstances.
- 3. The students who do not apply within the prescribed time limit shall not be allowed any further consideration. They will be awarded zero out of the maximum marks allotted for that examination.
- 4. The students who remain absent from the end-semester/end posting examinations which are followed by vacations and want to avail of another opportunity shall have to re-appear at the examination before they proceed on vacation. No request for arranging further examination will be entertained during or after the vacations (This will be subject to fulfilment of conditions as mentioned at Sr. No. 1)
- 5. Those students who are ill for long periods and are not able to reappear at the examination arranged by the Exam Cell after 15 days of the commencement of the regular examination, may be exempted only by the Dean (Examination) from taking the examination on the production of a medical certificate from the medical board constituted at the time having members as Head of the Department of concerned speciality, faculty under whom the student has been under treatment, nominee of Executive Director/Dean. This certificate should be

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issued within one or two days of the date of illness and should clearly indicate that the student is not fit to appear at the examination on that day. Non completion of a posting may entail a repeat posting in that area. In such cases the students may be exempted by the Dean from the pertinent semester examinations & no marks will be awarded for that examination.

6. Re-evaluation in internal examination shall not be allowed.

Any dispute in regard to any matter referred to herein will be subject to the jurisdiction of Rajkot, court only.

Use of unfair means in examinations:

The following act/s shall be deemed as adoption of Unfair Means:

- 1. Gaining access to test questions before the examination or aiding someone else to do so.
- 2. Communicating with and / or disturbing other candidates or consulting other persons inside/outside the examination room during the examination.
- 3. Being in possession of books, notes, typed sheets or any other material connected or not connected with the examination.
- 4. Carrying and/or using the electronic/photographic/communication devices/equipments that are prohibited during the examinations including but not limited to mobile phones, laptops, tablet PCs, cameras, headphones, pen-drives, Bluetooth devices etc
- 5. Taking breaks to move out of your allotted seat at the test centre without the consent of the invigilator.
- 6. Threatening or physically or verbally abusing or indulging in any kind of misbehaviour with invigilator / fellow candidates or any person connected with the conduct of examination either inside or outside the examination hall.
- 7. Using abusive or obscene language/symbols through any means within the premises of the Test Centre.
- 8. Disclosing, publishing, reproducing, transmitting, storing, or facilitating transmission, theft

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and storage of the contents of the Question bank/corresponding answers of examination or any information therein in whole or part thereof in any form or by any means, verbal or written (e.g.: smuggling rough sheet out of examination hall), electronically or mechanically for any purpose. Such activities shall be deemed as question bank theft.

- 9. Pestering the invigilator for issues including but not limited to extra time allotment, allowing to sit for exam in absence of necessary id proofs/documents etc. even if the invigilator has withheld the request at first instance.
- 10. Carrying and/or consuming food and/or carrying/consuming alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages etc. excluding drinking water or entering the Test Centre in an inebriated/intoxicated state inside the examination hall.
- 11. Carrying and/or using weapons/scissor/knife etc. inside the examination hall.
- 12. Impersonation/ Impersonator-- Appearing for examination for another candidate or arranging to have another person take an examination for the candidate.
- 13. Any other means that can give undue advantage to the student over others.

Penalties:

- 1. Use of any unfair means in the Semester Examination will lead to award of zero marks in the respective examination.
- 2. Use of unfair means in the Professional Examination will lead to debarring of the student from appearing in the respective Professional for a period of maximum of three years or as decided by Examination Committee

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