

# **The Republic Of South Sudan**

## **A National Medical Curriculum For The Award of the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS)**


## Forward

As a nation, South Sudan has made some progress towards improving higher education since independence in 2011. However, despite this progress the country still has remarkable gaps in terms of skilled human resources in various institutions, specially the services providing domains like healthcare. In this institution we lack quantity and quality in the major health professional categories (doctors, pharmacists, Dentists, nurses and paramedical technicians). Studies conducted with support from our developmental partners, quote in estimate the density of the health professional workforce to be 8% of the recommended threshold ,as our figures indicate 3.5 workers per 10000 of population compared to the established global strategy on human resources for health that recommends 44.5 per 10,000 as a threshold to reach and achieve a desirable functional national healthcare service which complies with the attainment of the sustainable development goals(SDGs) by 2030.

To reach the threshold of a functional health professional workforce as a nation, we must step up robust training programmes of these technical human resources. These training programmes are best conducted using evidence-based regularly appraised curricula. The national unified medical education curriculum developed by the three national Universities of Juba, Bahr El Ghazal and Upper Nile is an important milestone towards improving medical education in our Country.

Today unlike decades ago, we know what works well nationally and regionally as we have checked evidence-based best practices in the field of health professional and medical education in order to produce competent healthcare workforce. We noted with satisfaction that, the unified curriculum for medical education developed by the three national universities places a significant emphasis on a competency-based medical education.

As The National Ministry of Higher Education, we will go out of our way to recognise, commit resources and stewardship needed for the implementation of this national training curriculum as a model for health professional training of medical doctors. Furthermore, for a better training strategy we will also partner with other relevant government's ministries and departments including but not limited to those responsible for human resources development and public service like, The Ministry of Public Service and General education.

  
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## 1. Background

After more than two decades of war, South Sudan signed the Comprehensive Peace Agreement in 2005 and attained her independence in 2011. The country has a population of 12.3 million which is growing at a rate of 3% (national Bureau of Statistics, South Sudan (2008): South Sudan Population Census) and life expectancy of 52 years.

The country continues to face pockets of protracted conflicts since December 2013, and by July 2016 the crises had affected over 7 million people accounting for over 2 million refugees in the neighbouring countries and 1.9 million internally displaced persons (IDPs) with associated multiple outbreaks of communicable diseases and famine (UNOCHA (2017:Republic of South Sudan Humanitarian Update).The health system has also remained fragile, and service delivery continues to face enormous challenges due to lack of qualified staff, weak supervision and coordination, and low uptake/implementation of essential lifesaving and high impact interventions (basic health and nutrition services) within the context of an ongoing conflict. Republic of South Sudan has some of the worst health and nutritional indicators in the world. The Maternal Mortality Ratio is 789/100000 live births, Infant Mortality Rate of 79/1000 live births and child mortality rate of 105/1000 as of 2015. In order to address the shortages of the health workforce there is a need to improve the training capacity of the national training institutions.

## 2. Rationale

Despite the enormous investments made in the health sector over the past years, investments in the production of human resources for health has been limited to a small category of mid-level cadres and overseas training of few doctors and specialists which is more expensive with a number of them failing to come back and serve the country. Other cost-effective interventions, such as improving the quality of the national medical educational institutions, were not explored. Thus, South Sudan still has significant gaps in the quantity, quality and distribution of significant categories of health workers: specialist doctors, general family doctors (medical officers), medical laboratory technologists, nurses, clinical officers, midwives, pharmacists, dental personnel, and other much needed healthcare workforce. The core health workforce density is estimated to be 3.5 health workers per 10,000 (nurses and doctors). The staffing in health facilities within the county health system based on the basic package of health and nutrition services is at 10 -20% against the staffing norms for facilities. With these figures coupled with poor skills mix and maldistribution, South Sudan is unlikely to meet any target for Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Part of the efforts to improve the quality and quantity of medical doctors is to revamp their training programmes through developing training curricula that are aligned to the health needs of South Sudan and also with the developments in medical education regionally and internationally.

### **The Situation of Medical Schools in the Republic of South Sudan**

The Republic of South Sudan has three Colleges of Medicine, one in each of the three National Universities of Juba, Upper Nile and Western Bahr El Ghazal. The oldest university is the University of Juba which was established in 1975 in Juba. However, due to the protracted conflict, The University of Juba was relocated to Khartoum where it operated for more than 20 years. The Universities of Upper Nile and Bahr el Ghazal were established in Khartoum in 1993. At independence, all the universities relocated to the newly formed Republic of South Sudan, a process that was marred by a huge loss of valuable assets including human resources, educational equipment and materials. The curricula of the Colleges of Medicine are now outdated. Information obtained from The University of Juba suggests that their curriculum was last reviewed in 2006. It is not clear when last the other two

Colleges of Medicine reviewed their curricula. The undergraduate medical degree program in the three universities is a six-year programme intended to develop the six educational competencies central to the practice of medicine.

Evaluation is critical to inform efforts in improving curricula that prepare graduates to address the social determinants of health, health promotion, and disease prevention, primary health care, secondary and tertiary clinical care. A well designed curriculum offers a people- centred integrated community-based training that accommodates changes and innovations in medical education and practice.

It is with this in mind that a formal evaluation of the medical education training curricula of the three Medical Schools in the Republic of South Sudan was undertaken with the goal of developing a harmonised, integrated, system-based, patient-centred, and community-centred and competency-based medical education/training curriculum for the three schools.

### **3. Vision**

To be internationally accredited medical training institutions with an innovative excellent medical education using evidence-based ,technology driven teaching and learning approach with a strong bias towards improving health care delivery in the country.

### **4. Mission Statement**

To train highly competent and reflective medical practitioners who are capable of delivering high quality care through their contextualised competency-based curriculum benchmarked against regional and international training standards.

### **5. Core Values**

- a. Belief in Universal Health Coverage and Primary Healthcare service Delivery for all
- b. Innovation in medical education
- c. International Accreditation for Quality Assurance
- d. people-centred training
- e. Research intensive medical education
- f. Evidence-based training and practice
- g. Ethics, Honesty, Integrity and Respect for human rights

### **6.0. Competency-based Medical education curriculum (CBME)**

The CBME curriculum focuses more on competency. In the healthcare context, “Competency is the habitual and judicious use of communication, knowledge, technical skills, clinical reasoning, emotions, values, and reflection in daily practice for the benefit of the individual and the community being served”. (Epstein and Hundert, 2002).

Albanese et al. (2008) defines five characteristics to define competency:

1. A competency focuses on the performance of the end-product or goal-state of instruction.
2. A competency reflects expectations that are external to the immediate instructional programme.
3. A competency is expressible in terms of measurable behaviour.
4. A competency uses a standard for judging competence that is not dependent upon the performance of other learners.

5. A competency informs learners, as well as other stakeholders, about what is expected of them.

Implementing CBME curriculum programme

1. Define health needs of the community
2. Needs definition of competencies
3. Self-regulated and flexible learning options
4. Assessment of learners

### **6.1. Curriculum Model**

Currently the medical education curricula being used by the Medical Colleges in the Republic of South Sudan do not comply majorly with the modern competency-based medical education curriculum being used in many countries globally. This curriculum, as such, is formulated based on the modern curricula designs in the literature and benchmarked on other CBME curricula in the region and internationally (references at the end of this document).

### **Competency-Based Medical Education Curriculum (CBME)**

Is a curriculum that is designed to deliver Competency- Based Medical Education (CBME). This curriculum explicitly focuses on the desired performance characteristics of health care professionals, in this case medical practitioners. The traditional curriculum has always implicitly shared this same goal. The CBME explicitly addresses this goal by establishing observable and measurable metrics that learners are expected to accomplish by the ability to perform established expectations as a criterion for being deemed a competent professional (Gruppen et al.).

The traditional curriculum has been leaning more on learning than acquisition of competencies.

The new Republic of South Sudan MBBS curriculum is a hybrid model promoting the following curriculum aspects:

1. Horizontal and vertical integration
2. Thematic/systems- based teaching and learning
3. Small group teaching and learning methods
4. Student-centred, problem-based, integrated, community-based, electives and systematic teaching and learning (SPICES model).
5. Student-directed Learning, self-directed learning
6. Optimum use of IT learning technologies
7. Primary health care models
8. Health promotion and health education approaches
9. Distributed community education
10. Leadership, governance and Health systems management
11. Inter-professional education and inter-professional collaborative practice
12. Spiral curriculum approach

### **6.2. Programme Goal**

The harmonised, integrated, systems-based, patient-centred, community-centred and competency-based medical education curriculum is crafted to impart knowledge, attitudes and skills (abilities) to produce a competent and reflective medical practitioner defined by what he/she is able to do (doing the right thing by applying technical intelligence); how she or he approaches her/his practice (by doing the thing right by applying intellectual, emotional, analytical and creative intelligences); she/he performs as a professional (the right person doing it by applying personal intelligences), (Harden et al., 1999). This is achieved by equipping the graduates with the following core competences: medical expert, scholar/researcher, educator, communicator/relationship builder, ethical professional, community health advocate, manager and leader.

### 6.3. Programme Objectives

The curriculum objective is that at the end of their learning/training the student will have acquired competencies under the following competency domains:

#### A. Medical Expert/ Medical Knowledge:

Medical knowledge, clinical skills, critical thinking, and critical reasoning, understanding of normal human structure and function, pathophysiology of diseases, patient presentation, differential diagnosis, patient management, surgical principles, health promotion and health education, disease causation, social determinants of health and disease prevention. Must demonstrate core knowledge and application of biomedical, behavioural, and medical sciences in patient care during medical practice and in the community. The trainee should demonstrate critical thinking in clinical situations. Must apply lifelong learning skills to be kept abreast with new developments in medicine.

#### Competencies

1. Establish and maintain knowledge necessary for preventive care, diagnosis, treatment, and management of common and life-threatening medical problems.
2. Perform a complete and appropriate assessment/consultation of a patient
3. Use preventive and therapeutic interventions effectively
4. Demonstrate proficient and appropriate use of diagnostic and therapeutic procedural skills relevant to generalist practice
5. Seek appropriate consultation from other healthcare providers, recognising the limits of one's expertise

#### Enabling competencies as demonstrated by:

##### i) Patient care

1. Obtain and record a detailed medical history.
2. Evaluate symptoms and signs of clinical conditions
3. Carry out a full physical and mental-state examination and interpret the results
4. Order appropriate investigations demonstrating an understanding of possible differential diagnoses
5. Interpret results of the investigations
6. Offer a provisional diagnosis and differential diagnoses
7. Develop a treatment and management plan
8. Provide feedback and the plan of care with full participation of the patient.
9. Develop an individualised discharge plan
10. Demonstrate understanding of: epidemiology, aetiology, risk factors, of clinical conditions.
11. Deliver appropriate care to patients with full understanding of their clinical conditions
12. Demonstrate knowledge of the pharmacology of the medications prescribed: indications, contraindications, side effects, drug interactions and possible alternative treatments.
13. Identify the appropriate point of care for the presenting conditions
14. Ability to distinguish between urgent and emergency conditions and refer or admit.
15. Select appropriate prevention interventions
16. Ability to care for patients with acute and chronic conditions.
17. Demonstrate lifelong learning skills by keeping abreast with new developments in medicine by offering patients quality evidence-based up-to-date care.
18. Establish and maintain current knowledge needed for preventive care, diagnosis, treatment, and management of common and life-threatening medical conditions.
19. Effectively use appropriate preventive and therapeutic interventions in the community and hospital setting
20. Demonstrate at the level of a student/generalist, performance/acquisition and use of common diagnostic and therapeutic procedural skills such as the following, but not limited to these):

1. Measuring body temperature, pulse rate and blood pressure.
2. Monitoring transcutaneous oxygen saturation.
3. Venepuncture
4. Managing blood, urine, stools and any other samples correctly.
5. Taking blood cultures
6. Managing an electrocardiograph (ECG) monitor.
7. Performing and interpreting a 12-lead ECG.
8. Basic respiratory function tests.
9. Urine Multi-dipstick Test
10. Taking nose, throat and skin swabs
11. Pregnancy testing.
12. Administering oxygen.
13. Establishing peripheral intravenous access and setting up an infusion: use of infusion devices.
14. Making up drugs for parenteral administration
15. Dosage and administration of insulin and use of sliding scales
16. Subcutaneous and intramuscular injections
17. Blood transfusion
18. Male and female urinary catheterisation
19. Use of local anaesthetics
20. Skin suturing
21. Wound care and basic wound dressing
22. Applying splints and traction correctly
23. Delivery in a spontaneous vaginal delivery
24. Making and suturing an episiotomy
25. Lumbar puncture

## **ii) Communication**

1. Clear communication with patients, their relatives, other healthcare professionals and Colleagues
2. Communicate effectively: as patient counsellor, patient advocate or educator.
3. Communicate effectively: as patient counsellor, patient advocate or educator.

## **iii) Provide Immediate Care in Medical Emergencies**

1. Evaluate clinical conditions as urgent or emergency.
2. Provide basic first aid.
3. Provide advanced cardiac/respiratory life support.
4. Diagnose and manage acute medical conditions.

## **iv) Prescribe drugs safely, effectively, and economically**

1. Plan appropriate drug therapy appropriately
2. Issue a safe and legal prescription.
3. Provide patients with full information about their medicines.
4. Detect and report adverse drug reactions.

## **v) Use information effectively, including use of technology**

1. Keep accurate, legible and complete clinical records.
2. Access information sources and use the information for patient care, health promotion and education

## **vi) Application of basic sciences in medical practice**

## **vii) Biomedical Sciences, Behavioural & Sociology, and Scientific Principles in the medical biology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, nutrition, pathology, pharmacology and physiology.**

Being able to:

1. Explain normal human structure and function.
2. Explain the scientific bases of the signs, and symptoms of common diseases and their treatment
3. Explain and justify the scientific bases of the common investigations for diseases and conditions.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of drugs, drug actions, side effects, and drug interactions.

## **viii) Behavioural Sciences and Sociology (Health Social Science) principles in medical practice:**

1. Explain normal human behaviour.
2. Discuss and appreciate psychological and social concepts of health, illness and disease.
3. Explain the varied responses of individuals, groups and societies to disease using theoretical frameworks of psychology and sociology
4. Explain the roles of psychological and social factors in the disease process and treatment outcome
5. Cultural diversity and health, beliefs and religion.

## **Medical experts will be from the following department(s):**

Human Anatomy, Medical Physiology, Medical Biochemistry and Molecular biology, Behavioural Sciences, Internal Medicine, Surgery, Ophthalmology, Paediatrics and Child Health, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Psychiatry, Pathology, Clinical Pharmacology, Community Medicine, Medical Microbiology and Immunology, Radiology and Medical Imaging, Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine, and Health Professions Education.

**Assessment Methods:** Continuous assessment, assignments, group work, attendances at seminars, supervisor reports, peer reports, class tests, mock exams

Written examinations:

MCQs, Essays, Short answer questions, slide and data interpretation, quizzes, group reports

Clinical Examinations:

OSCEs, Long and Short Clinical Cases, Vivas, Log Books, Case Studies, Portfolios, Continuous assessment Laboratory Practical.

## **B. Interpersonal and Communication Skills (Communicator Relationship Builders):**

Interpersonal and Communication skills involve verbal, nonverbal (body, eye) and written exchange of information. Healthcare practitioners must demonstrate effective information transmission with colleagues, patients and their families, and the community.

## **i) Competencies**

1. Communicate effectively through verbal, written and other non-verbal means of communication
2. Establish professional relationships with patients, their families (when appropriate) and the community that are characterised by understanding, trust, respect, empathy and confidentiality
3. Gather information, negotiate a common agenda, and develop and interpret a treatment plan, while considering the influence of factors such as ethnicity, cultural and spiritual values, socioeconomic background, medical conditions, and communication challenges.
4. Demonstrate cooperation and communication among healthcare professionals so as to maximise the benefits to patient care and outcomes, and minimize the risk of errors.

5. Demonstrate effective, clear interpersonal communication skills.
6. Create and maintain compassionate and ethical relationship with patients.
7. Appropriately adapt communication style and messages appropriate to the context of the individual patient interaction.
8. Collaborate effectively with colleagues and other healthcare professionals as a team member.
9. Demonstrate leadership where appropriate.
10. Understand and be sensitive to human behaviour and cultural diversity.
11. Demonstrate, under difficult conditions: flexibility, adaptability, tolerance and emotional stability.
12. Respect the diversity of roles in the healthcare team.
13. Document accurately information regarding patient care processes for medico-legal, financial purposes, confidentiality, quality control and follow-up purposes.
14. Respect patient confidentiality, privacy and autonomy, listen effectively, and be aware of and responsive to non-verbal cues.
15. Demonstrate cooperation and communication among health professionals so as to maximize quality healthcare delivery.

**ii) Enabling competencies as demonstrated by:**

1. Maintain clear, accurate and appropriate medical records
2. Accurately and efficiently present verbal reports of clinical encounters
3. Respect patient confidentiality, privacy and autonomy
4. Listen effectively
5. Be aware of and responsive to nonverbal cues
6. Gather information about a disease, but also the patient and their beliefs, concerns, expectations and illness experience.
7. Seek out and synthesise relevant information from other sources such as family, care
8. Givers, other professionals and medical records.
9. Deliver information to a patient, family, colleagues and other healthcare professionals in such a way that it is understandable and encourage patient participation in the decision-making process.
10. Effectively address challenging communication issues such as delivering bad news, discussing medical errors, and addressing patient or family anger, confusion and misunderstanding.
11. Describe the roles and responsibilities of other health professionals.
12. Respect the diversity roles, responsibilities and competences of other professionals relevant to your own.
13. Collaboratively work with other health professionals to assess, plan, provide and integrate care for patients, families and communities
14. Where appropriate demonstrate leadership in a healthcare team.

**Medical experts will be from department(s) of:**

Community Medicine and all other departments regarding professional communication.

**Assessment Methods: Continuous assessment, Case reports, Group presentation, Self-reports and Portfolios**

## **C. Ethical Professional/Professionalism**

### **I) Competencies**

1. Recognise and accept the need for self-care and personal development as necessary to fulfilling one's professional obligations and leadership role.
2. Demonstrate a commitment to their patients, profession and society through ethical practice as guided by the Medical Council codes of professional conduct, University code of conduct and the relevant professional and legal regulatory requirements concerning medical practice
3. Role modelling

### **II) Enabling competencies as demonstrated by:**

1. Recognise and accept the limitations in his/her knowledge and clinical skills
2. Demonstrate a commitment to continually improve her/his knowledge, ability, skills and leadership always striving for excellence
3. Balance personal and professional priorities to ensure personal health and sustainable practice
4. Demonstrate a sound grasp of the theories and principles governing ethical decision making, the major ethical dilemmas in medicine, and an approach to resolving these
5. Demonstrate altruism, honesty, commitment, compassion, integrity and respect in all interaction with patients, families, communities, colleagues, and others with whom physicians must interact in their professional lives
6. Demonstrate a commitment to delivering and maintaining high quality care and personal competence
7. Recognise and appropriately respond to ethical issues encountered in practice including conflicts of interest, confidentiality, and appropriate relations with patients and families
8. Develop the capacity to recognise common medical errors, report them to the required bodies, and discuss them appropriately with patients
9. Be reliable and responsible in fulfilling clinical, regulatory, and legal obligations,
10. Abide by all regulations and codes of conduct
11. Explain the principles of law as they apply to the practice of medicine
12. Recognise and appropriately respond to others' unprofessional behaviours
13. Professionalism relates to the expression of positive values and ideals during the delivery care.
  - i) Altruistic
  - ii) Acknowledges one's professional and personal limitations.
  - iii) Desist from practicing under impairment from substance abuse, cognitive deficiency or mental illness.
  - iv. Demonstrate ethical practice, accountability, responsibility, sensitivity to a diverse patient population
  - v) Adherence to legal and regulatory requirements.

### **III) Enabling competencies (as demonstrated by)**

Demonstrating:

1. Understanding the role of a doctor
2. Understanding of and abiding by the legal and regulatory requirements governing medical practice and local and international codes related to medical practice
3. Maintain professional relationships with colleagues and other healthcare providers.
4. Show respect to all irrespective of age, socio-economic status, political affiliation, race, religion or creed, compassion, and high integrity.
5. Responsive to the needs of patients and society without discrimination

6. Accountability and responsibility to the profession, patients, and the society.
7. Committed to excellence and continuing professional development.
8. Committed to ethical principles pertaining to provision /withholding of clinical care, confidentiality of patient information, informed consent, and business practices.
9. Valuing continuing professional development
10. Sensitivity and responsiveness to patients' culture, age, gender and disabilities.
11. Self-reflection, critical curiosity and initiative.
12. Recognize and accept the need for self-care and personal development
13. Fulfil one's professional obligations and leadership roles.
14. Demonstrate commitment to ethical practice to patients, profession and society
15. Abide by the University codes of professional conduct
16. Exercise self-reflection, critical curiosity and initiative
17. Understand the health system in South Sudan

Medical experts will be from all departments to participate in teaching and demonstrating by role modeling.

**Assessment Methods: Observation, Supervisor reports, Portfolios, Self-report and Peer reports.**

#### **D. Community Health Advocate**

##### **i) Competencies**

1. Identify determinants of health for communities and populations
2. Promote the health of communities and populations

##### **ii) Enabling competencies as demonstrated by:**

1. Describe a community including the population its demography, cultural and socioeconomic constitution, circumstances of living, health status
2. Identify determinants of health within this community
3. Describe the opportunities for health advocacy, promotion and disease prevention within this community
4. Describe how public policy impacts the health of the populations and communities
5. Apply Population Health in medical practice:
6. Discuss population health principles related to determinants of health, health inequalities, health risks and surveillance.
7. Discuss the principles underlying the development of health and health service delivery policy, including issues related to health financing, and clinical guidelines.
8. Evaluate and apply basic principles of prevention and control, at community and hospital level, of communicable (infectious) and non-communicable diseases.
9. Discuss and apply the principles of primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention of disease.

**Medical experts will be from department of Community Medicine.**

**Assessment Methods:** Field attachment, reports, Supervisors and tutors reports/observations and Portfolio.

## **E. Educator**

### **I) Competencies**

1. Assist in teaching peers, patients, staff and others and facilitate learning where appropriate
2. Continuing professional development
3. Life-long learner
4. Effective mentor, supervisor, teacher, counsellor

### **II) Enabling Competencies (as demonstrated by):**

1. Describe principles of teaching and learning relevant to medical education
2. Collaboratively identify the learning needs and desired learning outcomes of others
3. Select effective strategies and content to facilitate learning
4. Provide effective feedback
5. Demonstrate an effective teaching encounter with a patient, peer or others
6. Assess and reflect on a teaching encounter
7. Recognise the importance of serving as an advisor, coach, mentor, or teacher to less experienced members of the healthcare team.

## **Medical experts will be from all departments and Health Professions Education**

**Assessment Methods:** MCQs, Peer reports, Supervisor, reports, Self-assessment and Portfolio

## **F. Manager and Leader professional community.**

### **i) Competencies**

1. Participate effectively in healthcare institutions, ranging from individual clinical practices to teaching hospitals, exerting a positive influence on clinical practice and policy making in one's profession.
2. Managing health institutions, human resources, administration, finances, day to day running of the institution
3. Describe the governance, structure, financing, and operation of the healthcare system and its facilities and how this influences patient care, research and educational activities at a local, regional, and national level
4. Describe the rationale for and appropriately use wise stewardship of available resources.

### **ii) Enabling competencies (as demonstrated by):**

1. Describe the structure and function of the healthcare system
2. Describe principles of healthcare financing including healthcare workers remuneration, budgeting and organisational funding
3. Recognise the importance of just allocation of healthcare delivery resources, balancing effectiveness, efficiency, and access to optimise patient care
4. Respect differences, misunderstandings and limitations in others
5. Employ collaborative negotiations to resolve conflicts
6. Reflect on and work to improve inter-professional collaborative team function

Medical experts will be from department (s) or courses where taught:

Community Medicine, City of Health Services, Local Clinics, County/State Hospitals and all departments to participate.

**Assessment Methods:** Group reports, Portfolios, Peer reports, Self –reports, Supervisor reports and MCQs

## G. Scholar/Researcher

### I) Competencies

1. Develop the foundation necessary to engage in lifelong self-directed learning and critical inquiry.
2. Critically evaluate medical information and its sources and apply this appropriately to practice decisions
3. Contribute to the development, dissemination and translation of new knowledge and practices
4. Engage in research activities
5. Adhere to basic principles of ethical research practices

### II) Enabling competencies (as demonstrated by):

1. Describe the principles of maintenance of competence
2. Describe principles and strategies for implementing a personal knowledge management system
3. Describe the principles of critical appraisal
4. Pose an appropriate learning question
5. Search for and identify relevant evidence
6. Critically appraise retrieved evidence
7. Integrate new learning into practice
8. Describe the principles of research and scholarly inquiry
9. Pose a scholarly
10. Conduct a systematic search for relevant evidence
11. Select and apply appropriate methods to address the question
12. Assist in carrying out the research
13. Disseminate the results
14. Apply scientific methods and approaches to medical research
15. Evaluate research outcomes of qualitative and quantitative studies in the medical/ scientific literature.
16. Formulate research questions, study designs or experiments to address health research questions.

Medical experts will be mainly from department of Community Medicine, Internal Medicine, Medical Research Council, all Departments, and clinical research centers.

**Assessment Methods:** MCQs, Research projects, Case reports and Community health projects.

## 6.4. The Curriculum Road Map:

S/N	Phases	Semesters	Classification of courses	Courses
1	General University requirements	Semester I	Basic Sciences	Applied Sciences : mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology(Botany &Zoology), Behavioural Sciences(Psychology, Anthropology & Sociology), computer sciences, Communication Skills for Health workers, South Sudan Foundation.

2.		Semester II,III &IV	Pre-clinical subjects	Anatomy, Biochemistry and Physiology. Community Medicine. <b>Nursing skills and team work activities in the hospital begins here during holidays.(hospital placement 1)</b>
3.		Semester V, VI, VII	Para-clinical subjects	Pathology, Medical Microbiology& Immunology, Clinical Pharmacology, Principles of Internal Medicine and Surgery. Community Medicine <b>Junior clerkship(posting to wards) during the semesters and OPD activities during holidays(Hospital placement 2)</b>
4.		Semester VIII, IX, X &XI	Clinical subjects	Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine & Toxicology, Internal Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics and Child Health, Molecular Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Ophthalmology, ENT, Dermatology & Venerology, Psychiatry, Radiology and Medical Imaging, Orthopedics and Traumatology, Anaesthesiology and critical care Medicine. <b>Clerkship and rural residence/health centers for community Medicine(Holidays-transition from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>), Clerkship during semesters(Hospital placement3)</b>
		Semester XII	Clinical subjects	<b>Senior Clerkship (Internal Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics and Child Health and Obstetrics &amp; Gynaecology). This will involve posting to wards and OPDs(Hospital placement4 )</b>

## 6.5. New Courses Introduced

### 1. Introductory Courses

Introduction to Critical Care Management

Introduction to Medicine as a Profession

### 2. Applied Medical Sciences

Molecular Biology/Molecular Medicine

Biotechnology

Biomedical Informatics

Fundamentals of Bioengineering

Mathematical Medicine/Computational Biology

### 3. Medicine as a Profession

History/Landmarks of Medicine

Sociology of Medicine

Communication skills

Interviewing skills

Medical Jurisprudence and Professional Liability Issues

### 4. Critical Care Medicine

Basic life support

First Aid

Emergencies: Paediatric, Obstetric, Medical, Surgical

## 6.6. Integrated Road Map

Course/Posting	Level	Semester	Type of Integration
Integrated Core-Basic Sciences	1- Year	I	Horizontal
Clinical Application of Core Basic Sciences	1-2nd Year	I-II,III	Vertical
Integrated Clinical Posting I	2nd-3th Year	IV,V	Horizontal
Integrated Clinical Posting II	3rd- 4th Year	VI,VII,VIII	Vertical
			Horizontal
Integrated Core Lectures	4th-6th Year	VII-XII	Vertical
			Horizontal
Integrated Block Posting I-III (Basic Medical Sciences)	3rd-5th Year	IV-XII	Horizontal
Infectious Disease Posting	4th 6th Year	IV-XII	Horizontal
			Vertical

### Integration stages

#### A. Integrated core basic Medical sciences courses

1. Anatomy
2. Biochemistry
3. Physiology

#### B. Integrated applied pre-clinical sciences

1. Histopathology
2. Haematology
3. Chemical Pathology
4. Medical Microbiology and Immunology
5. Clinical Pharmacology

#### C. Integrated clinical sciences courses

1. Medicine
2. Surgery
3. Paediatrics and Child Health
4. Obstetrics and Gynaecology
5. Psychiatry

#### **D. Sub-specialties**

1. Anaesthesiology and critical care Medicine
2. Ophthalmology
3. Otolaryngology (ENT)
4. Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
5. Urology
6. Radiology and Medical Imaging
7. Dermatology and Venearology
8. Molecular Medicine

#### **E. Community Medicine**

Preventive and Social medicine  
Epidemiology  
Human Nutrition  
Complementary Medicine  
Family Medicine

## **7.0. Programme Requirements**

### **7.1. Admission Requirements**

Currently the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology determines admission criteria for enrolment of students into undergraduate medical education. The core subjects include: Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English Language.

Given the importance of having valid, evidence-based, comprehensive and fair student selection criteria, it is recommended that Universities (Medical Institutions) work hand in hand with Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology in synchronizing intake of students to medicine with the available human resources and infrastructure in the respective universities(**See the appendix on entry requirements to medical schools**)

## 7.2. Programme Structure, Composition and Duration

### a. Course duration

- i) The programme extends over a period of 6 years;
- ii) An academic year would be divided into 2 semesters;
- iii) The first year

1st semester will be for General University Requirements, 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the first year to the first semester of 3<sup>rd</sup> year will be for pre-clinical subjects, 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of 3<sup>rd</sup> year till 4<sup>th</sup> year will be para-clinical subjects and core clinical practice training, 5<sup>th</sup> year to 6<sup>th</sup> year will be purely clinical subjects.

### b. Units/credit system

One credit hour will be equivalent to 15 hours of lectures, 45 hours of tutorial hours and 45 hours for practical. The programme should be tailored to semester system in which each semester will be 19 weeks (16 weeks lectures, one week as a reading week, 2 weeks for examinations).

## 8. Learning & Instructional Methods

The major teaching and learning methods suggested to be used in the implementation of the curriculum are described below.

### Lectures/Overviews;

1. Tutorials and Seminars;
2. Practical classes/ Skills laboratories;
3. Clinical demonstrations;
4. Clinical Teaching: Includes bedside teaching, ward rounds, ambulatory
5. care teaching,
6. operating theatre experiences, emergency and critical care;
7. Post-mortem demonstrations;
8. Laboratory practicals;
9. Fieldwork and community-based residency;
10. Self-directed learning; and
11. E-Learning complementary.

## 9.0. Methods of Instruction and Assessment

The SPICES (Student-centred Problem-based Integrated Community-based Electives Systematic) teaching strategy, by Harden will be adopted in this curriculum.

CBME teaching and learning strategies and assessment, self-directed learning, integrated system with early clinical exposure.

### 9.1. Community Orientation

This provides community-based education at regular periods throughout the training programme. This familiarises the students with the health needs of the communities. This will inculcate in the students

the correct attitudes and sense of accountability when delivering healthcare to and in the community. They will be able to appreciate the social determinants of health.

### 9.2. Self-directed learning/Research and Audit Orientation

Self-directed learning is one of the pillars for student-centred teaching and learning. Problem-based teaching will play a major role during tutorials, e-learning and development of community projects that solve health problems in the community. Students will be expected to develop critical and analytical skills as they explore the community and come up with health projects to serve the community. They will also develop the research/audit culture.

### 9.3. Inter-professional Education

Multidisciplinary teaching and learning. Aspects of inter-professional education will be taught in the new subject of Inter-professional Education (occurs when students from two or more professions learn about, from, and with each other to enable effective inter-professional collaboration to improve health outcomes, WHO.2010 (4)).

- a) Desired competences of each discipline are identified: knowledge, skills and attitudes. These are believed to be responsive to the health needs of the community. These define the learning objectives of each discipline.
- b) 2. The learning will thus be directed by these learning objectives with the assumption that their acquisition by the learners will make the learners relevant to the community
- c) The teaching of the desired competences will be delivered with focus on the health priorities of the community they will serve.
- d) Competency- based assessment is focused on testing the acquisition of competences. The student should not only be able to know (recitation of facts: just listing what she/he has memorised) and knows how (applies knowledge to scenarios) but be able to show (demonstration of skill: steps through established processes, e.g. diagnostic process) and finally does (performance: effectively identifies what needs to be done and carries it out) Miller's pyramid (1). The assessment is criterion-referenced measures that depend on integrating knowledge and skills derived from an aggregate of educational experiences and parts of the curriculum.
- e) A competency uses a standard for judging competence that is not dependent upon the performance of other learners.
- f) An explicit criteria must be used to assess the performance of competence so as to determine
- g) Whether the learner has attained the required level to be considered "competent". The criteria or performance standards are not determined by the performance of other learners (not graded on a "curve") but by expert judgment of practitioners and educators in the field. Desirably ALL learners will achieve "competence "after training.
- h) A competency informs learners, as well as other stakeholders, about what is expected of them.
- i) CBE focuses on outcomes which make a more transparent and accountable to learners, policy-makers and other stakeholders.
- j) Defining a discipline's values, goals and priorities is an implicit part of defining competencies. This enables the competencies to communicate these values and expectations to various stakeholders within and outside the discipline.

### Model of CBE curriculum development

Health Needs of Society  Competencies Outcomes  Curriculum

#### **9.4. Competency-based medical education**

Acquisition of practical skills by students is emphasised. Sixty percent (60%) teacher-student contact time will be spent on practical/clinical teaching sessions and 40% on didactic teaching sessions. Small group teaching; tutorials will be emphasised with minimal large-group teaching by the way of lectures. Important lectures will be delivered in an integrated manner.

#### **9.5. Integrated system-based teaching**

Horizontal and vertical integration will be used: horizontal used in teaching disciplines/ courses that run concurrently while vertical integration will be disciplines/ courses that run sequentially. This will give students a better understanding of the clinical applications of the basic sciences along with early introduction to clinical aspect of medicine. The integrated clinical postings will be delivered as system-based lecture series.

The Republic of South Sudan MBBS programme applies a competency- based curriculum to produce a competent and reflective doctor. The students are trained using the SPICES model based on small group teaching, Promoting ICT resources in teaching and learning. The small group teaching and practical/ clinical sessions increase the opportunities of mentoring the students and also supervision of their projects.

#### **9.6. Assessment Methods**

- I. Assessment drives learning. The approach would now be student-centred meaning that the thrust is more on what the student learns as opposed to the traditional system which is teacher-centred (where what lecturers teach is the driver of learning).
- II. Assessment drives learning! Assessment will be competency-based. Successful candidates will need to satisfy the examiners that they “know” (knowledge), they “know-how” (applied knowledge), and shows (demonstration of skill by going through process e.g. diagnosis) and “does” (performance: effectively identifies) also be able to “show-how” at the prescribed level.

#### **9.7. Formative assessment/feedback/summative assessment**

Formative assessment assists in improving teaching and learning by gathering information from students and lecturers on how well they are both performing. Feedback to students and lecturers help improve the learning environment. This allows for continuous self-evaluation.

Measures that depend on integrating knowledge and skills derived from an aggregate of educational experiences and parts of the curriculum.

- I. A competency uses a standard for judging competence that is not dependent upon the performance of other learners.
- II. An explicit criteria must be used to assess the performance of competence so as to determine whether the learner has attained the required level to be considered “competent”. The criteria or performance standards are not determined by the performance of other learners (not graded on a “curve”) but by expert judgment of practitioners and educators in the field. Desirably ALL learners will achieve “competence “after training.
- III. A competency inform learners, as well as other stakeholders, about what is expected of them. CBE focuses on outcomes which makes a more transparent and accountable to learners, policy-makers and other stakeholders. Defining a discipline’s values, goals and priorities is an implicit part of defining competencies. This enables the competencies to communicate these values and expectations to various stakeholders within and outside the discipline.

## 9.8. Assessment Criteria

Assessment criteria will be based on knowledge of applied basic sciences and relevant clinical sciences, clinical competence, professionalism and ethics. Failure in the clinical competence assessment will mean failure in that particular course. The assessments used should be reliable and appropriate reflecting the learning objectives/learning outcomes of the course. Criterion-based assessment.

### Rationale:

The criteria for assessment in the clinical courses are knowledge of applied basic sciences and the clinical sciences, clinical competence, professionalism and ethics. Failure in clinical competence assessment will mean that the student has failed the course. Reliable and appropriate assessment methods will be used reflecting the learning outcomes/learning objectives of the particular course.

A. Continuous assessment (Formative).....40%

i) Log of experiences and procedures done (necessary competencies):

with essential skills to be acquired for each course;

ii) Case reports; Portfolios.

iii) Project reports;

iv) Regular course examinations: written, practicals, clinical (OSCEs,

Short and Long cases), and Vivas;

v) Attitudinal assessment.

B. University End of semester/year Examinations (Summative).....60%

i) Written: MCQs, SAQs, MEQs, LEQs;

ii) Clinical: OSCEs, OSPCE, Clinical Short and Long cases;

iii) Practical;

iv) *Viva voce*.

## 10.0 INTEGRATED CLINICAL SCIENCES II

### WHEN TAUGHT AND ASSESSED

#### (i) MEDICINE

##### When taught

Integrated Clinical Application of Medical Sciences: 1<sup>st</sup> yr(semester II) to 3rd Year(semester V).

Integrated Introductory Medicine I (3rd Year, Semester VI)

Medicine II (4th Year, Semester VII and VIII)

Medicine III (5<sup>th</sup> Year, semesters IX and X)

Medicine IV (6th Year, semester XI and XII)

##### When assessed and Assessment methods

1<sup>st</sup> year (semester II) to 3rd Year (semester V). Integrated Basic Medical Sciences

Formative: MCQ, Core/integrated Short Answer Question (SAQ)

Summative: MCQ, SAQ

Medicine I (3rd Year, Semester VI): Integrated Clinical Posting I

Formative: Portfolio, OSPE, Picture test, SAQ, Viva voce, long case, short case

Summative: Portfolio, OSPE, and MCQ

Medicine II (4th Year, Semester VII and VIII), Medicine III (5<sup>th</sup> Year, semesters IX and X):

Formative: Core/Integrated, OSCE, SAQ, Portfolio, Viva Voce

Summative: OSCE, MCQ, Log book, Long case, SAQ

6th Year (semester XI and XII: Medicine Senior Clerkship, Revision Clinical posting

Formative: Portfolio, Long case/short case, viva voce, picture test, OSPE  
Summative: Portfolio, MCQ, Long essay/short essay, viva voce, picture test, OSCE, term paper

## **(ii) SURGERY**

When taught

Integrated Clinical Application of Medical Sciences: 1<sup>st</sup> yr (semester II) to 3rd Year (semester V).

Integrated Introductory Surgery I (3rd Year, Semester VI)

Surgery II, Junior clerkship (4th Year, Semester VII and VIII)

Surgery III(5<sup>th</sup> Year, semesters IX and X)

Surgery IV, Senior clerkship (6th Year, semester XI and XII)

When Assessed and Assessment methods

1<sup>st</sup> yr (semester II) to 3rd Year (semester V): Integrated Basic Medical Sciences

Formative: MCQ, Core/integrated Short Answer Question (SAQ)

Summative: MCQ, SAQ

Surgery I (3rd Year, Semester VI): Integrated Clinical Posting I

Formative: Portfolio, OSPE, Picture test, SAQ, Viva voce, long case, short case

Summative: Portfolio, OSPE, and MCQ

Surgery II (4th Year, Semester VII and VIII), Medicine III(5<sup>th</sup> Year, semesters IX and X):

Formative: Core/Integrated, OSCE, SAQ, Portfolio, Viva Voce

Summative: OSCE, MCQ, Log book, Long case, SAQ

6th Year (semester XI and XII: Surgery, Senior Clerkship, Revision Clinical posting

Formative: Portfolio, Long case/short case, viva voce, picture test, OSPE

Summative: Portfolio, MCQ, Long essay/short essay, viva voce, picture test, OSCE, term paper

## **iii) PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH**

When Taught

Integrated Clinical Application of Basic Medical Sciences: 1<sup>st</sup> yr (semester II to 3rd Year (semester V).

5th Year: Semester IX and X: Integrated Paediatrics and Child Health I&II, Junior Clerkship:

Core Lectures

When Assessed and Assessment methods:

Formative: SAQ, Clinical skills assessment

Summative: MCQ, Social Paediatric seminars and case write ups, clinical case write up, Portfolio

6th Year: 1st and 2nd Semester: Revision, Senior Clerkship in Paediatrics & Child Health III&IV

Formative: SAQ, Log book/posting booklet

Summative: Portfolio, clinical examination Long case MCQ, Essay, Picture Test, Viva voce, short case, Term paper, Portfolio.

When Assessed and Assessment methods:

Formative: SAQ, Clinical skills assessment

Summative: MCQ, Social Paediatric seminars and case write ups, clinical case write up, Portfolio

## v) OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

When taught

Integrated Clinical Application of Medical Sciences: 1<sup>st</sup> yr (semester II) to 3rd Year (semester V)

Formative: MCQ, Core/integrated SAQ, Log book, OSPE, Picture test, SAQ, Viva

voce,

Summative: MCQ, SAQ, Portfolio, OSPE

5th Year, Semester IX and X: Junior Obstetrics and Gynaecology Clerkship/Core Lectures

Formative: Log book/ posting booklet, MCQ, OSCE

Summative: nil

6th Year: Semester XI and XII: Senior Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Formative: Log book/ Posting booklet, group project, MCQ, Long case, short case, essay and short answer

Summative: MCQ, Long and short essay, Portfolio, picture test, OSCE, Viva voce,

Term paper

## iv) PSYCHIATRY AND MENTAL HEALTH

When Taught and Assessment Methods

Integrated Clinical Application of Medical Sciences: 1<sup>st</sup> yr (semester II) to 3rd Year (semester V)

Formative: MCQ

Summative: SAQ, MCQ, Term Paper

5th Year: 1st and 2nd Semester: Junior and Senior Clerkship Psychiatry

Formative: MCQ, Case write up

Summative: Integrated SAQ, Long and short cases, long and short essay, Portfolio, OSCE, Viva voce, Term paper

## 11.0. Examination regulations

i) Certification will be an MBBS Degree.

ii) Distribution of marks will be in form of letter wording grading system as indicated below and will be specified in all the subjects/courses taught.

iii) The pass mark will be 50% and any marks below will be considered as a fail.

iv) It is mandatory to pass examinations in order to proceed to the next year of study;

v) MBBS Degree is not classified.

### Grading system.

Marks %	Letter grade	Letter wording	Grade points
80-100	A	Excellent	4.00
70-79	B+	Very Good	3.50
60-69	B	Good	3.00
50-59	C	Pass	2.00
≤50	F	Fail	0.0

The letter wording grading concept will be applied in this curriculum. The whole grading system will be used as a key in the certificate transcript for easy interpretation of results by any other institution globally that uses a different type of grading.

The medium of instruction will be English language and it shall be indicated in certificates (Transcript and bachelor certificate).

## **12.0. Credit Transfers**

- i) Students seeking transfer must have satisfied the requirements and passed all the relevant subjects/courses, with the results reflected in an official transcript;
- ii) The student should present a letter from the Dean in their previous institution;
- iii) The students seeking transfers should have taken the subject/course for a duration not more than three years prior to their seeking of credit transfer;
- iv) Transfer of credits will be subjected to the availability of spaces in the institutions;
- v) The request for transfer should be through the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology to the institution of the student interest
- vi) The South Sudan General Medical council shall be concurrently notified **of the credit transfers and graduation by all the institutions certifying graduants.**

## **13.0. Students with Medical Problems**

- i) Medical faculty/college/school will take the role of screening students of the university on medical ground and create a baseline data for the students (new ones) and update data for the old students.
- ii) Students with medical problems that make it difficult for them to continue with their studies without interruptions in any academic year or who may put patients/others at risk, should be subjected to career advice and discontinued from the none or medical programme at the earliest possible time.
- iii) Students who are not fit in the respective programmes will be sent to a counselor to assist smooth transfer of student to the most suitable programmes. Successful students will be recommended to the respective administration of the respective university. The Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology shall be notified immediately.
- iv) In special circumstances, a student shall be discontinued on medical grounds if found unfit to qualify as a medical doctor, and South Sudan General Medical council shall be notified.

## **14.0. Course Description**

**Course code of each course will be provided by respective Medical institutions**

### **14.1. Semester I: General University requirements (Applied Basic Sciences& Other Courses)**

**Courses to be taught: Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology (Botany& Zoology), Principles of Genetics, Behavioural Sciences, Computer Sciences for Health Workers, Communication Skills for Health Workers.**

**Credit hours: 35**

**Contact hours: 360**

**Practicals: 495**

**(1) Course title: Applied Mathematics**

**Credit hours: 3**

**Contact hours: 30**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 45**

### **Course Description**

- The course introduces students to sets, Relations, Mapping, The real number system and properties, inequalities, intervals, Discrete-Time Models, Sequences, Difference Equations, Limit and Continuity then they progress to differential calculus for polynomial, exponential and logarithmic functions and their applications to curve sketching, maxima and minima, and it emphasizes on **applications rather than theory**. Students apply these tools to variety of basic sciences, including medical issues, and epidemics.
- Students are introduced to the definite and Indefinite Integral then they progress to Integration Techniques and Computational Methods, Numerical Integration, The Taylor Approximation, Table of Integrals, Applications of Integration, and first order Differential Equation. Students apply these tools to variety of basic sciences, including medical issues, and epidemics.

### **Course Objectives**

- The Course introduces students to **differential Calculus and to the interpretation of the derivative as a rate of change and introduce antiderivatives and its applications in biology. Pre-request**, sets, Relations, Mapping, The real number system and properties, inequalities, intervals, Discrete-Time Models, Sequences, Difference Equations. Specifically, students will learn how to:
  - Communicate and interpret mathematical information using the set notation.
  - Describe mathematical relationship using functions.
  - Analyse the type of a relationship represented by a given function.
  - Describe discrete-time models of population growth and decay.
  - Calculate limits and fixed points of sequences, and describe the relationship between fixed points of sequences.
  - Define limits and continuity of functions.
  - Differentiate various functions of a single variable.
  - Compute the derivative of functions and apply the techniques to the solution of simple and optimal problems in biology

### **Course Outcomes**

At the end of the course, students should be able to

- Communicate and interpret mathematical information using the set notation.
- Describe mathematical relationship using functions.
- Analyse the type of a relationship represented by a given function.

- Describe discrete-time models of population growth and decay.
- Calculate limits and fixed points of sequences, and describe the relationship between fixed points of sequences.
- Compute the indefinite and definite integrals for variety of functions and apply **integration techniques to the solution of simple problems in biology.**
- Solve separable differential equations, find equilibria and determine their stability graphically and analytically, and use system of differential equations to describe **biological systems with multiple interacting components.**
- Calculate limits and fixed points of sequences, and describe the relationship between fixed points of sequences.
- Define limits and continuity of functions.
- Differentiate various functions of a single variable.
- Compute the derivative of functions and apply the techniques to the solution of simple and optimal problems in biology.

### Methodology

- The teaching includes lectures, and group tuition (seminars).An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

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## **(2) Course title: Applied Chemistry**

**Credit hours: 8**

**Contact hours: 75**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 135**

### Course Description

- Organic chemistry is at the heart of biology and medicine.
- This course is an introduction to the fundamental chemistry of carbon-containing compounds, including three-dimensional structures, chemical properties, and methods of structural identification, reactions, and syntheses.

- The course explores some of the major classes of organic compounds: alkanes, alkenes, alkynes, alkyl halides, alcohols, and ethers, with an emphasis on reaction mechanisms and multi-step syntheses.
- This course is an intensive, comprehensive introduction to the chemistry of carbon and its importance to biological molecules.
- Topics include current ideas of bonding and structure, major reaction mechanisms and pathways, a discussion of the analytical tools used to determine the structure and stereochemistry of organic compounds (such as infrared and NMR spectroscopy), and some of the chemistry of amino acids, peptides, carbohydrates, and nucleic acids.

### Course Objectives

Students will be able to:

- Analyze the structure of organic compounds by recognizing main functional groups, naming the compounds using the I.U.P.A.C. system, and predicting their properties using the type of bonding, hybridization state, intermolecular forces and stereochemistry;
- Describe mechanisms of reactions: free radical, nucleophilic substitution, elimination and electrophilic addition, and apply this knowledge to predict the major product in organic reactions, such as those involving hydrocarbons, alcohols, alkyl halides, and alkenes;
- Analyze the nature of a reagent: as a nucleophile, free radical, or electrophile and use this knowledge to propose the synthesis of organic compounds, such as a hydrocarbons, alkyl halides, alcohols, or alkenes; and
- Demonstrate proficiency in organic laboratory skills as they pertain to: chemical information, safe handling, use and disposal of organic compounds; synthetic procedures, including isolation, purification, and structure elucidation of obtained products; stoichiometry and use of instrumentation; and writing of laboratory notebooks and reports in accordance with current scientific journals styles.

### Course Outcomes

Based on satisfactory completion of this course, a student will be able to:

- Draw the structure of organic molecules and identify the functional groups
- Describe organic compound and how they are composed.
- Analyze properties, reactions, and mechanism of the reactions of organic compounds.
- Interpret structure, stereochemistry, nomenclature, and reactions of hydrocarbons, alkyl halides, alcohol and ethers.
- Explain the synthesis of hydrocarbons, alkyl halides, alcohol and ethers.

### Methodology

The teaching includes lectures, laboratory sessions, and group tuition (seminars). An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

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### **(3) Course title: Biology( Botany and Zoology)**

**Credit hours: 6**

**Contact hours: 60**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 90**

## **Applied Botany**

### **Course Description**

- This course is designed for students interested in pursuing a career in a health field and who would like to gain additional knowledge in the area of biology (Botany). This honors level course is a general course that furnishes the principles and gives a broader understanding of the science of botany to the audience. The course is organized into:
- An overview on the science of botany (Introduction to the science of botany, definitions and branches of botany) and its uses in our daily life.
- Lower plants (Algae and Fungus) its growth and Development, Structure, Life cycle, Major Characteristics, Classification, Uses and Benefits.
- Mosses growth and Development Structure, Life cycle, Major Characteristics, Classification, Uses and Benefits.
- Ferns growth and Development Structure, Life cycle, Major Characteristics, Classification, Uses and Benefits
- Angiosperms, gymnosperms Growth and Development Structure, Life cycle, Major Characteristics, Classification, Uses and Benefits.
- Angiosperms, gymnosperms, structure and anatomy of the root; stem; the leaves and the flower, types of roots and their modification.
- Medicinal uses of some herbs/plants. Emphasis should be made on the medicinal uses of the local herbs/plants

### **Course Objectives**

- **Students will:**
- Know the different branches of botany and the importance of the science of botany in the field of medicine
- Describe the morphology and anatomy of lower plants, mosses, ferns, Angiosperms and Gymnosperms.
- Differentiate between the monocot and the dicot plants' root, stem, leaves and flowers
- Identify and recognize the differences among broad branches of botany and be able to single out those branches with applicability in the field of medicine.

- Distinguish between lower and higher plants
- Identify and Classify plants into food, nonfood and medicinal and or harmful plants found within or in the peripheries of Juba.
- Know basic nomenclature, local and scientific names of some of plants including medicinal plants which occur within or in the peripheries of Juba town
- Know the chemical contents and of some of the medicinal plants which occur in the region and in South Sudan.
- Describe the traditional and/or medical uses some of the medicinal plants that may occur in the region and South Sudan.

### **Course Outcomes**

- At the end of the course , students should be able to:
- Identify and recognize the differences among broad branches of botany and be able to single out those branches with applicability in the field of medicine.
- Distinguish between lower and higher plants
- Identify and Classify plants into food, nonfood and medicinal and or harmful plants found within or in the peripheries of Juba.
- Describe the difference between algae, bacteria and fungi and explain this difference on the basis of habitat, structure and function.
- Explain about structure, classification, reproduction, life cycle and economic importance of Gymnosperms
- To differentiate between harmful and edible fungi and explain this different on the basis of chemical composition.
- Morphologically identify, classify and describe plants
- Describe the consequences of different types of plant roots, stems, leaves and flowers modification.
- Distinguish between medicinal plants and other plants
- Explain and describe the traditional and medical uses of some of the medicinal plants of South Sudan.
- Write the chemical content of some common medicinal plants in South Sudan.

### **Methodology**

**The teaching includes lectures, laboratory sessions, and group tuition (seminars).An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.**

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## **Applied Zoology**

### **Course Description**

This course is designed for students interested in pursuing a career in a health field and who would like to gain additional knowledge in the area of biology (Zoology).

The course offers an introduction to the animal kingdom providing the foundation for advanced studies in medicine, zoology, and other biological sciences. This honors level course furnishes the principles and gives a broader understanding of the science of zoology to the audience.

The course is organized into:

- General Introduction to the science of zoology, branches and subject matter of Zoology; Nomenclature
- Introduction to the invertebrates ,Kingdom Protista, Taxonomic History and classification;
- Protists Support and Locomotion;Nutrition; Reproduction; Respiration.
- Protist Phyla with Medical Importance, Phylum Kinetoplastida and its representative, Phylum Apicomplexa its representative , Phylum Parabasilida its representative ,
- Phylum Rhizopoda, Phylum Actinopoda, Phylum Choanoflagellata, Phylum Opalinida.
- An overview of Sponges and Cnidarians, general characteristics
- Phylum Platyhelminthes, general characteristics, taxonomy and representatives of medical importance
- Phylum Nematoda, general characteristics and its medical importance
- Phylum Arthropoda, general characteristics, taxonomy;
- Class insecta, introduction to insects of medical importance taxonomy and representatives and roles in disease transmission and control mechanisms

### **Course Objectives**

#### **Students will:**

- Know the difference branches of zoology and relate them to the field of medicine
- Understand how animals are classified and the importance of this classification
- Explain on the basis of nomenclature how animals are related to each other.
- Know the structure, Support and Locomotion; Nutrition; Reproduction; Respiration in Protists, Sponges, Cnidarians, Platyhelminthes, Nematodes and Insects.
- Explain about the general characteristics of animals from Protists to Chordates
- Identify those Protists, Platyhelminths, Nematodes and Insects of medical importance.

- Describe the distribution of Protists, Platyhelminths, Nematodes and Insects of medical importance in South Sudan
- Account for the diseases caused by Protists, Platyhelminths, Nematodes and Insects
- Critically discuss the most important evolutionary patterns of animals from the most primitive to the most advanced forms.
- Critically discuss the most important characteristics of Chordates and explain how all Chordates are related evolutionarily.
- Describe the morphology and anatomy of class Pisces, Amphibia, Reptilia, Aves and Mammalia.
- Discuss and analyze the morphological and anatomical differences between members of classes: Pisces, Amphibia, Reptilia, Aves and the class Mammalia.
- Explore some zoological evolutionary morphological, anatomical and embryological concepts.

### **Course Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Differentiate between the different branches of zoology and know how some of these branches are related to the field of medicine.
- Describe the structure, support, locomotion, reproduction and respiration in Protists, Sponges, Cnidarians, Platyhelminthes, Nematodes and Insects.
- Apply the principles of Nomenclature principles in classifying animals
- Explain about the disease-causing Protists, Platyhelminthes and Nematodes.
- Account for the distribution of disease-causing Protists, Platyhelminths and Nematodes with especial reference to South Sudan.
- Explain chordate adaptation based on their morphology, physiology and anatomy using evolutionary concepts.
- Analyze evolutionary patterns of animals from the most primitive to the most advanced forms.

## **Zoology text books and References**

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4. Hickman, Cleveland P., Jr., Keen (2007).Laboratory Studies in Integrated Principles of Zoology, 14th. Edition, McGraw-Hill Companies.
5. Hickman, Cleveland P., Jr., Keen (2010). Integrated Principles of Zoology. 15th. Edition. McGraw-Hill.

### **(4) Course title: Applied Physics**

**Credit hours: 6**

**Contact hours: 45**

**Practical/Clinical Rounds: 135**

#### **Course Description**

An introduction to key physical principles as applied to medical imaging and radiation therapy. Topics covered will include: imaging metrics, ionizing radiation and radiation safety, radioactivity, radiation therapy, computed tomography, nuclear medicine, ultrasound, and magnetic resonance imaging. This Medical physics course covers introduction of medical physics, atomic spectra, nuclear physics, X-ray applications in biology and medicine, fluids, Electricity and medicine, electricity and magnetism, geometrical optics and waves and sounds. The aim is to introduce biomechanical descriptions of the human body. We look at its structure and its performance as a physical machine. The structural characteristics of human bones and tissue are investigated, together with the mechanical functions of the skeleton and musculature.

#### **Course Objectives**

To equip the students with basic knowledge of electricity, magnetism, optics, waves and sounds and their applications of in medicine especially for diagnosis and therapy, upon completion of this course student will be able:

- Develop basic understanding of medical physics concepts,
- Develop problem-solving and critical-thinking skills,
- Learn to integrate and apply various physics concepts to a single problem,
- Develop scientific communication skills.

#### **Course Outcomes**

At the end of the course, the student shall be able to:

- Describe the concept of the Medical Physics

- Knowledge of the normal structure and function of the body and its major organ systems with emphasis on content applicable to clinical diagnostic imaging and/or radiation.
- Knowledge of atomic spectra, nuclear physics, X-ray applications in biology and medicine.
- Knowledge of fluids and Electricity.
- Knowledge of electricity, magnetism, geometrical optics, waves and sounds.
- Knowledge of radiation and radioactivity, its properties, units of measure, dosimetry measurement concepts and methods

## Methodology

Course delivery methods will include lectures and demonstrations that discuss key terms, concepts and formulae of the assigned chapter. During the lecture a quiz about the basic concepts of each chapter will be given. The student is expected to read one chapter and solve the assigned problems each week. This will require an average of five hours of study outside of the classroom each week. The previously assigned problems will be collected for grading and the solutions will be derived in class. This process is designed to help the student thoroughly understand the concepts and applications of the material covered.

## References

- Introduction to Physics in Modern Medicine, Suzanne Amador Kane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition.
- Introduction to Health Physics, Herman Cember and Thomas E. Johnson, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, McGraw-Hill, 2009.
- Medical Imaging Physics, William R. Hendee, E. Russell Ritenour, and Wiley-Liss, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2002.
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- P. Horowitz and W. Hill, "The art of electronics", (2<sup>nd</sup> edition), Cambridge university press, Cambridge, 1995.
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## **(5) Course title: Principle of Genetics**

**Credit hours: 2**

**Contact hours: 15**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 45**

### **Course Description**

- This course covers principles of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cell genetics. Emphasis is placed on the molecular basis of heredity, chromosome structure, Patterns of Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance, evolution, and biotechnological applications. Upon completion, students should be able to recognize and describe genetic phenomena and demonstrate knowledge of important genetic principles.

### **Course Objectives**

During this course, the lecturer should be able to demonstrate the followings to the students how:

- To identify and describe the process and purposes of the cell cycle, meiosis, and mitosis, as well as predict the outcomes of these processes.
- To solve transmission genetics problems, make accurate predictions about inheritance of genetic traits, and map the locations of genes.
- To identify the parts, structure, and dimensions of DNA molecules, RNA molecules, and chromosomes, and be able to categorize DNA as well as describe how DNA is stored.
- To accurately diagram and describe the processes of replication, transcription, translation, as well as predict the outcomes of these processes.
- To describe what causes and consequences of DNA sequence changes and how cells prevent these changes, as well as make predictions about the causes and effects of changes in DNA.
- To describe the processes of gene regulation and predict how a gene will be expressed under specific circumstances.
- To learn and practice common genetics laboratory and field techniques.
- To describe applications and techniques of modern genetic technology, as well as select the correct techniques to solve practical genetic problems.
- To carry out genetics laboratory and field research techniques.
- To describe experimental results in written format both informally and in formal manuscript format.

### **Course Outcomes**

After the completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Describe the composition and structure of DNA and the basic steps of DNA replication.
- Describe the composition and structure of RNA and the basic steps of transcription.
- Describe the composition and structure of protein and the basic steps of translation.
- Describe the structure and function of a gene.
- Describe examples of human genetic disorders caused by gene mutations and chromosomal rearrangements.
- Explain Mendel's Principles of Segregation and Independent Assortment.
- Describe the chromosomal basis of inheritance.
- Explain linkage, recombination, and the mapping of genes on chromosomes
- Describe non-Mendelian inheritance.
- Explain the regulation of genes in prokaryotes.
- Explain the regulation of genes in eukaryotes.
- Describe cell-cycle regulation and the genetics of cancer.
- Explain how genetics is used to study development.
- Describe the genetic analysis of populations.

## Methodology

The teaching includes lectures, and group tuition (seminars). An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

### References

- Daniel, L. Hartl and Elizabeth, W. Jones, (1998). Genetics; Principle and Analysis. 4<sup>th</sup> Edition; Printed in the United States of the America by Jones and Bartlett Publishers. Inc. ISBN: 0-7637-0489-X.
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## (6) Course title: Behavioral Sciences (Psychology, Anthropology & Sociology)

**Credit hours: 2**

**Contact hours: 30**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 0**

### Course Description

- This course cover topics that include introduction to behavior sciences, understanding human behavior, behavior modification, human behavior and health, defense mechanisms, personality, psychological health and testing, child development, psychological methods, motivation, emotion, intelligence, the individual, family and society, socialization process, culture and health, gender, social inequalities and physician-patient relationship and medical ethics.

### Course Objectives

- To provide students with basic principle of Behavioral Sciences and their importance in health, Bio-Psycho-Social Model of Healthcare, Desirable attitudes, Correlation of brain, mind and Behavioral Sciences and Roles of a doctor.
- To teach the students to conceptualize patient problems by using a bio-psychosocial-cultural-spiritual formulation.
- To show the students how to apply the vast theoretical material through the use of problem based learning.

### Course content

- Developmental psychology; theories of motivation and learning; proper socialization process; emotional development and support.
- Concepts in sociology; emerging relationship between medicine and sociology; social behaviours and disease occurrence; health seeking behaviours; the sick role.
- Basic principles of anthropology: concept of culture, health and disease; cultural concepts of illness; ethnomedicine.
- Pregnancy and childbirth; Reproductive issues; Development in early
- infancy; Childhood and child health; Adolescence; Adulthood and mid
- age; Ageing; Bereavement.
- Personality development; Understanding learning; Perception; Memory
- and forgetting; Development of sexuality; Intelligence; Development of thinking.

### Factors influencing patient behaviour

- Personality
- Psychodynamic and behavioural factors, related past experience
- Family and cultural factors, including socio-economic status
- Adaptive behavioural responses to stress and illness
- Maladaptive behavioural responses to stress and illness
- Interactions between the patient and the physician or the health care system.

## **Society and health**

- Understanding groups; concepts of health, illness and disease; measuring health and illness; changing patterns of health and illness; social class and health; gender and health; ethnicity and health; quality of life; media and health; ageing, society and health; housing, homeless and health; work and health; education and health; unemployment and health; labeling and stigma.
- Impact of illness on individual, family and community
- Death and dying
- Coping with illness and disability: counseling; adaptation, coping and control; stress management; cognitive behaviour therapy; role of career; self-help groups; palliative care; complementary therapies; management of pain; health beliefs and behaviour; bereavement.

## **Course Outcomes**

At the end of the course, the students will be able to:

- Define social & behavioral sciences and discuss their role in Community Medicine.
- Describe the role of the family/community in health and disease.
- Measure the socio-economic status of a family and describe its importance in health and disease.
- Construct, pre-test and validate questionnaire/interview schedule.
- Define attitudes.
- Describe the process of attitudinal development and methods to change.
- Construct pretest and validate a questionnaire/interview schedule to test attitudes of a community.

## **Methodology**

The teaching includes lectures, and group tuition (seminars). An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

## **References**

- Behavioral Science, Gene R Quin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition.
- A Handbook of Behavioral Sciences for Medical and Dental Students, Mowadat H. Rana, Sohail Ali and Mansoor Mustafa, University of Health Sciences Lahore, 2006.
- Medicine in Society: Behavioural Sciences for Medical Students, Christopher Dowrick, Arnold Publisher, 2001.
- Behavioural Sciences in Clinical Medicine by Wolf, Stewart, 1976.
- Developmental Psychology for Healthcare Professions, Katherine A. Billingham.
- An Outline of Sociology as Applied to Medicine, David Armstrong.

## **(7) Course title: Computer skills for health workers**

**Credit hours: 2**

**Contact hours: 15**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 45**

### **Course description.**

- Computer Skills is aimed to provide students with transversal skills critically important to success fully develop both their academic process and their professional careers.
- The objective of this course is primarily to provide the student with study skills including time management, library research, teamwork, and a short introduction to academic writing and management of information. Secondly to improving student's computer skills and increasing their proficiency with commonly used medical applications. Skills for developing effective communications and treatment of information are the core of the course and will be achieved with practical applications and active students' engagement.

## Course Content

- Classification of computers: Microcomputer; minicomputer; palm computers; main frame computer; supercomputers; Hardware, and software: Input devices: monitor; mouse; voice data entry; light pen; scanner; key board; touch screen; Output devices: monitor; printer; plotter; Storage devices: buffer; central processing unit; back-up; file storage devices; Operating systems; Utilities and operations software.
- Principles of data management: Setting up files; modifying; storing; data coding; data entry; data processing and analysis; databases.

## Course Outcomes

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

- Describe the classification and components of computer system.
- Apply the principles of computer operating systems and information processing.
- Apply common computer software packages for word processing and data management.
- Apply the skills of computer technology in learning, delivery of health care and research.
- Software and programming: System programmes; operating systems; utility
- Programmes ; special purposes programmes ; application programmes ; programming languages ; Word processing : word perfect ; word ; SPSS; EPIinfo;
- Internet access; Medline; Cochrane databases; World wide web;
- Ovid: Statistical programmes: statistical tests; data entry; data cleaning.
- Computer applications in health services and research.
- Medical literature search, medical record keeping, and retrieval; and searching for information;
- Telemedicine; Virtual reality; security of information, levels of access and confidentiality.

## Methodology

The teaching includes lectures, laboratory sessions, and group tuition (seminars).An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

## References

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- Cottrell, S. (2003). The Study Skills Handbook. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan. 4<sup>th</sup> Edition. published 2013
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- Grauer R., Hogan L, and Poatsy M.A. (2011) Exploring Microsoft Office. Getting Started with Windows 7. Pearson Education, Inc., Publishing as Prentice Hall.
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- Johnson K. (2010) Student Writing Guide. Reading, Research and Writing Strategies. University of Minnesota.
- Liengme, B. V., and Ellert, D. J. (2009).
- A Guide to Microsoft Excel 2007 for Scientists and Engineers. Amsterdam; Boston, Academic Press/Elsevier.
- (Online resource at UAB Library).
- The Smarter Student: Study Skills and Strategies for Success at University. McMillan, K. and Weyers, J. (2006), Harlow: Pearson Education.
- Murray, N. (2008) Writing up your university assignments and research projects: a practical handbook. Maidenhead, Berks: Open University Press: McGraw-Hill.
- Wallace, M. (2004) Study skills in English: a course in reading skills for academic purposes. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2004

## **(8) Course title: Communication Skills for Health Workers**

**Credit hours: 2**

**Contact hours: 30**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 0**

### **Course Description**

- This is an introductory course in human communication. We'll learn about basic communication theories and explore different types of communication, such as interpersonal, small group, and public communication. Students will have opportunities to develop and apply communication skills by completing exercises and assessments, participating in group interactions, and delivering presentations.

### **Course objectives**

To enable the graduate develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for effective and sensitive communication with patients, families, care givers professional colleagues and other stakeholders.

### **Course Content**

- Concept and principles of human communication: verbal and nonverbal communication; Language; Interviewing; definition, environment; behaviour, techniques.

Interview; recording reproduction.

History taking and communication skills: Questioning and active listening: open questions, focused and closed questions, probing questions; Listening: effective listening, verbal and non-verbal cues, appropriate body language, facilitative comments; Encouraging; Summarizing Socio-cultural variations in human communication.

- Use of appropriate communication skills for the patients' culture during interviews, Ethics in interviewing.
- Challenging patients: angry patients; reticent patients; talkative patients; those with physical impairments which hinder communication i.e. deafness, speech impediments.
- Communicating about sensitive subjects (breaking bad news): what constitutes a sensitive subject; factors that can make us reluctant to impart bad news; empathy with the patient; sexual history importance of a sexual history both in physical and psychological illness, sexual history from eg. the opposite sex, adolescents, elderly people, disabled people, people from different cultures.
- Communication with professional colleagues and other stakeholders including care givers, family members, community, financiers, politicians, media, etc.

## Course Outcomes

By the end of this, students will be to:

- Explain the theories and principles of relating to human communication
- Demonstrate interviewing skills appropriate for the doctor patient interactions.
- Explain the importance of socio-cultural knowledge, age, gender and emotional status during doctor patient interactions.
- Cope when communicating with patients in difficult or delicate circumstances.
- Demonstrate empathy to the patient's experience of illness and health care.
- Demonstrate effective communication with relevant stakeholders.

## Methodology

The teaching includes lectures, and group tuition (seminars).An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

## References

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- Jones, E.A. (1994). Essential Skills in writing, speech and listening, and critical thinking for college graduates: Perspectives of faculty, employers, and policymakers. University Park, P. A.: National Center for Postsecondary Teaching, Learning, and Assessment.
- Jones, E. A. (Ed.) (1996). New directions for higher education: Vol. 96, Preparing competent college graduates: Setting new and higher expectations for student learning. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.

- Quianthy, R. L. (1990). Communication is life: Essential college sophomore speaking and listening competencies. Annandale, VA: National Communication Association.
- Successful Science Communication: Telling It Like It Is. By David J. Bennett, Richard C. Jennings. Publisher: Cambridge University Press (2011) ISBN: 978-0521176781
- Health Communication: From Theory to Practice (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition). By Renata Schiavo. Publisher: Jossey-Bass (November 4, 2013) ISBN: 978-1118122198
- The Routledge Handbook of Health Communication (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition): By, Teresa Thompson, Roxanne Parrott, and Jon F. Nussbaum. Publisher: Routledge (April 29, 2011) ISBN: 978-0415883153

## **(9) Course title: South Sudan Foundation/studies**

**Credit hours: 4**

**Contact hours: 60**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 0**

### **Course description.**

We are dependent on nature for our survival and well-being. The choices we make on resource use will affect our physical and economic well-being well into the future. This course is intended equip the students with general information about the natural resources and its impact on health in the Republic of South Sudan. This course will introduce the natural resources of the Republic of South Sudan, including both renewable and non-renewable resources. Students will learn problems associated with the use or and misuse of natural resources. The course will focus on natural resources types, importance, utilization, constraints, products, values as well as conservation and management. It is composed of agriculture, animal production, fisheries, and forestry, geology and wildlife sciences.

### **Course Aim**

The course aims to inculcate in the students the importance of natural resources in health and our daily lives and illustrate how our lives are linked to their preservation and equitable and sustainable exploitation/ utilization.

### **Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

- Know the different types of natural resources of the Republic of South Sudan
- Discuss some of the problems pertinent to natural resources utilization
- Understand the most important concepts behind natural resource management and conservation.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of a range of basic concepts and fundamental principles of agriculture, animal production, fisheries, forestry geology and wildlife.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the socioeconomic benefits and medicinal values of natural resources.
- Demonstrate an ability to work effectively with others.

### **Course Contents**

1. **Agriculture:** Definition of agriculture, principles and practice, status of agriculture: staple crops, imports, exports; Institutional framework for the sector  
Crop Production: agronomy of important crops (field & horticultural crops),  
Soil Science: basics of soil fertility, soil characteristics of the six (6) agro-ecological zones;

Agricultural land use; Main farming systems used: traditional, irrigated, mechanize etc.  
Types of crop cultivated: cereals, oil crops, legumes, horticultural crops etc.  
Medicinal and aromatic plants: principles and practices, agronomy and phyto-chemistry, secondary metabolites (natural products), and ethnobotanical potential

2. **Animal Production:** Definition of animal production and animal products;  
Types of animal products:  
Poultry products (broilers and layers); meat (red and white meat); milk products (fresh milk, cheese, yogurt);  
Nutritional importance of livestock products;  
Zoonotic diseases of livestock; food borne diseases;  
Medicinal uses of livestock by-products;  
Contribution of livestock to the economy;  
Breeds of livestock in the Republic of South Sudan;  
Constraints of livestock production in South Sudan.
3. **Fisheries:** Fishery sciences definition, definition of fish;  
Capture fisheries: catch profile, role and importance of fisheries;  
Nutritional and medicinal importance of fish;  
Natural environment: lakes, rivers etc.  
Aquaculture: definition,  
C classification: based on intensity, types of environment, species farm;  
Aquaculture production systems;  
Fish technology: definition, fish utilization; common fishing gears and crafts;  
Constraints of fisheries sector.
4. **Forestry:** Definition: forestry, afforestation, deforestation, and reforestation;  
Forest types; forest uses;  
Importance of forest ecosystems;  
Threats to forest in the Republic of South Sudan: fires, illegal activities, politics/civil strife, lack of reforestation plan;  
Health problems in forests;  
Forest products with health promoting and medicinal properties: honey, walnut, pine resin, chios mastic gum.  
Bio-piracy;  
Alien and invasive species.  
Forest management and conservation.
5. **Geology:** Definition of geology; geology of the Republic of South Sudan;  
Minerals of South Sudan;  
Impact of exploration and exploitation;  
Soil as a source of dust and implications for human health;  
Water hardness and health effects;  
Volcanic emissions and health; Human geography: benefits and banes.
6. **Wildlife:** Definition of wildlife science;  
Importance of wildlife conservation;  
Wildlife management; values of wildlife: economic, medical and scientific, aesthetic and recreational, ecological etc.  
Zoonosis of wildlife;  
Zootherapy and its sustainability;  
Wildlife protected areas of South Sudan;

### **Methodology**

The teaching includes lectures, and group tuition (seminars).An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

### **Recommended Text Books**

#### **Agriculture**

1. Kokwaro, J. O. (1976). Medicinal Plants of East Africa. Eastern African Literature Bureau, Printed and Bound by General Printer Ltd, Homa Bay Road, P.O. Box 18001, Nairobi, Kenya.
2. AfDB 2013. South Sudan infrastructure action plan, chapter 6: development of agriculture in the Republic of South Sudan.

#### **Animal Production**

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2. Fox, P.F., and Mcsweeney P.L.H. (1998). Dairy chemistry and biochemistry. Blackie Academic & Professional, London, UK
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4. Rose, S.P, (1997). Principles of poultry science. CABI Publishing, Wallingford, UK
5. Said, R., Bryant, M.J and Msechu, J.K.K. (2003). The survival, growth and carcass characteristics of crossbred beef cattle in Tanzania. Trop. Anim. Hlth. Prod., 35:441-454

#### **Fisheries**

1. FAO 2014. Fishery and aquaculture country profile: Republic of South Sudan.
2. FAO 1995. Quality and quality changes in fresh fish.
3. Lekang, O. (2013). Aquaculture engineering, second edition, UK, John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.
4. Sandon, H. (1950). An illustrated guide to freshwater fishes of the Sudan.
5. Ullah, S. and Ahmad, T. (2014). Nutritional and medical importance of fish: a mini review.

#### **Forestry**

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2. Forest and human health: assessing the evidence (2006).
3. Evans J (2001). Forest handbook, vol.1

## **Geology**

1. Selinus O, Alloway, BJ, Centeno JA, Finkelman RB, Fuge R, Lindh U, Smedley P. (2005). Essentials of medical geology; impacts of the natural environment on public health, USA, Elsevier Academic Press.
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## **Wildlife**

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## **SOUTH SUDAN STUDIES II (Socio-political Economy)**

### **Course description**

Socio-political economy of South Sudan is a multidisciplinary course that introduces students to contemporary development issues in the Republic South Sudan... This course is composed of many disciplines, law, geography, rural development, demography, education, economy and political sciences.

### **Course Aim**

This course aims to explore the challenges of development, which remain a thorny issue to the progress of the country

### **Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Know some aspects the Republic of South Sudan laws, geography, rural development, demography, history, education, economy and political sciences.
2. Know the functions and the importance of all the components of this section of South Sudan studies.
3. Relate the different components of this course and examine them in the light of our diverse cultural setups.
4. Demonstrate how the knowledge that is obtained in this section furnishes will contribute towards cultural existence.
5. Discuss the inherent problems that are frequently occurring among rural settlers and to put them in a bird's eye of the focus of the course

6. Analyse the socio-political economy of the country in a broader sense.
7. Demonstrate an understanding and knowledge of how the country's socio-political economic system operates.
8. Relate the knowledge obtained at the end of this course to the overall functions and performance of political system in the country.

### **Course Content**

#### **Law**

1. Definition of law; history of law;
2. Functions of law;
3. Classification of law;
4. Sources of law;
5. The fundamental areas of law;
6. Law and morality;
7. Principles of law;
8. Hierarchy of courts in the Republic of South Sudan;
9. Types of government systems in the Republic of South Sudan;
10. Human rights,
11. Law and medicine.

#### **Geography**

1. Definition of geography;
2. Overview of South Sudan geography;
3. Climate;
4. Landforms and topography;
5. Demographic situation:
6. Population,
7. Urbanization;
8. Vegetation zones: wetland, flood plains, savanna, subtropical low land, mountain ranges.

#### **Rural Development**

1. Definitions: rural, development and rural development;
2. Objectives of rural development;
3. Basic elements of rural development;
4. Characteristics of rural communities;
5. Types of rural settlement;
6. Conflicts among rural settlers;
7. Difference between development and economic growth;
8. Theories of rural development.

## **Demography**

1. Definition of Demography;
2. Why study Demography?
3. Demographic perspectives:
4. Demographic of birth and death;
5. Demographic and social change;
6. Population size, distribution and concentration;
7. Age and sex composition;
8. Demographic processes: fertility, mortality, migration;
9. Population pyramids.

## **Education**

1. Definition of education;
2. Functions of education;
3. Brief history of South Sudan education;
4. Classification of educational systems;
5. Missionary education in South Sudan 1900 – 1926;
6. The colonial and missionary education in South Sudan 1927 – 1953;
7. Sudanese nationalism and educational development in South Sudan 1948 – 1953;
8. Education in South Sudan; Education policy and practice.

## **South Sudan Economy**

1. Background of South Sudan economy: independence time plus economic activities, human resources and their main economic activities, natural resources of economic value in the country.
2. The economic system: capitalism, socialist system (communism), mixed economic system.
3. The political setup and how resources are distributed in the country (production).
4. The economic potentials of South Sudan: land size, fertile land, manpower, water, mineral etc.
5. South Sudan external economic relations and its participation in WTO, IMF, World Bank, EAC etc.
6. South Sudan economic performance (measurement): agricultural product, oil industry, manufacturing, size of GDP, balance of payments over time (2011 – 2019).
7. Preservation of SSD national existence: societal security and governance, national cohesion, inflation rate, unemployment rate, poverty and its level.

## **Political sciences**

1. Introduction to political science.
2. Power, authority, the state: Politics and the state
3. Political power;
4. Authority and state.
5. Democracy, freedom:
6. Democracy and our relationship to the state;
7. Freedom and justice. Political ideologies:
8. Traditional and western ideologies;
9. Alternative to mainstream western ideology.
10. Political parties, elections:
11. Voting, elections and political parties;
12. Civil society, interest groups and the media.
13. Political culture. International relations (basics):
14. Sovereignty, the state and international order;
15. Traditional theories of international relations.
16. International organizations.
17. International political economy.

## **Methodology**

The teaching includes lectures, and group tuition (seminars).An emphasis is placed on problem-solving.

### **Recommended Text Books:**

#### **Demography**

1. Bouvier, L, F., and Poston, D, L. (2010). Population and society: an introduction to demography, USA, Cambridge University Press.
2. Thomas, R, K. (2018). Concepts, methods and practical applications in applied demography: an introductory textbook, Switzerland, Springer International Publishing

Other references will be provided by the respective lecturers

## 14.2. Pre-Clinical Subjects/Courses: Semester II (1<sup>st</sup> Year), III, IV(2<sup>nd</sup> Year) & V(3<sup>rd</sup> yr)

**Courses to be taught: Human Anatomy, Medical Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Medical Physiology and Community Medicine**

**Credit hours: 76**

**Contact hours: 615**

**Practicals: 1,575**

### **(1) Course title: Human Anatomy (GROSS ANATOMY, EMBRYOLOGY, HISTOLOGY, AND CLINICAL ANATOMY)**

**Credit hours: 19**

**Contact hours: 75**

**Practicals & Tutorials: 630**

**When taught:** Integrated Core Basic Science Course (I, II, III, and IV): 3rd and 4th Semesters

First Year: **Semester II:** Introduction to anatomy: Gross anatomy, upper and lower limb, general embryology and general histology

Second Year: **Semester III:** Gross anatomy: Thorax, systemic embryology and histology  
**Semester IV:** Gross anatomy: Abdomen, Pelvis, systemic embryology and histology

Third Year: **Semester V:** Gross anatomy of head and neck and Neuroanatomy

#### **Course description**

Prerequisite knowledge of the anatomical structure of the human body is a foundation for learning other basic sciences as a prelude clinical learning. The key concepts of the gross human anatomy will be learnt through IT textbooks, lectures and radiologic sessions.

This course introduces general principles of human anatomy and topographical anatomy of the regions of the body: limbs, thorax, abdomen, pelvis, head and neck. Functional and applied aspects of anatomy will also be learnt.

Human embryology is designed to provide the student with an introduction to the mechanisms of development, growth and differentiation of the early human being will be taught in embryology. Development of the organ systems and developmental anomalies will also be studied in embryology.

During the histology sessions the student shall learn about the cells of the body, tissues, organ systems as seen through the use of the light and electron microscopes. Histology gives the student an understanding of the microscopic organization of all the organ systems of the human body. Thereby the student understands the normal structure and relate with their derangement in the disease process.

#### **Course aim**

1. Impart knowledge on the anatomy of the human body by describing the body planes, body regions and their relationship to each other.
2. Know and identify the osteology of the human skeleton: the axial and appendicular forms. Identify and know the features of the bones of the skull, vertebral column, maxillofacial region, upper and lower limbs, thoracic cage, and the pectoral girdle.
3. Appreciate the three-dimensional nature and the topographical relationship of the structures and functions of the human body.

4. To introduce the student to the use of anatomical knowledge as a tool for problem-solving in clinical scenarios and other applied situations.

### **Learning outcomes/Course Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Communicate using the correct anatomical terms.
2. Relate anatomical structure to function
3. Know the relationship of the structure of the anatomy to its function.
4. Define and demonstrate the anatomical position in relation to the position of the body structures and movement of the joints.
5. Describe the general features of the skeleton, the regions and systems of the body.
6. Identify, the bones, major muscles, nerves, and blood vessels, lymph node groups on the cadaver or manikins. Relate them to their function, histology and embryology.
7. Visualize the structural relationship in three dimensions with awareness of body symmetry as well as anatomical variation.
8. Formulate diagnoses on anatomical basis.
9. Describe the general features of the parts of the skeleton, regions of the body and systems of the body
10. Identify on the cadaver or models the bones, major muscles, nerve, blood vessels, lymph node groups and relate them to their function, histology and embryology.
11. Interpret normal anatomy on radiographs: plain radiographs, CT scans, MRI images.
12. Solve clinical cases with an anatomical basis
13. Outline the mechanisms of development, growth and differentiation of the human organism.
14. Describe the normal and anomalous development of the organ systems.

### **Course Competencies**

On successful completion of this course/module the student should be able to:

1. Define the anatomical position of body structures, using common terminologies in relation to their positions and joints movement.
2. Demonstrate the anatomical position using common terms to denote relative position of the body structures and joints movement.
3. Describe the general features of the skeleton, regions and systems of the human body.
4. Using manikins/models identify the bones, major muscles, nerves, blood vessels, lymph node groups and relate them to their embryology, histology and function .
5. Demonstrate, by inspection and palpation of a live body, the position and relationships of all major structures and bony prominences
6. Interpret anatomical features of the regions of the body on radiographs.
7. Describe the effect of injury/ dysfunction of the above structures.
8. Describe microscopic structure in relation to function.
9. Identify, using microscopic slides, normal tissues and organs.
10. Describe the normal development of the human organ systems correlating their development with their microscopic and gross structure.
11. Explain how developmental anomalies and malformations occur.
12. Describe male and female gametogenesis.
13. Describe the developmental changes from fertilization to birth.
14. State the principles of teratology.
15. Identify the anatomical basis for formulating a diagnosis/ intervention in a clinical setting.
16. Demonstrate the application of the knowledge of anatomy in clinical practice or performing procedures.
17. Describe the relevant anatomy of disordered structures and function in clinical practice.
18. Show ability to integrate knowledge of developmental, microscopic and gross, anatomy as a basis for future clinical studies and practice.
19. State the principles of teratology.
20. Identify the anatomical basis for diagnosis and intervention in a given clinical scenario.
21. Demonstrate the application of anatomical facts in carrying out clinical procedures.
22. Describe the relevant anatomy of disordered structure and function in common clinical conditions.

23. Show ability to integrate knowledge of gross, microscopic and developmental anatomy as a basis for future clinical studies.

24. Describe the general features of the parts of the skeleton, regions of the body, and systems of the human and relate them to their function, histology and embryology.

25. Identify on the cadaver or models, the bones, major muscles, nerves, blood vessels, lymph node groups

26. Demonstrate by inspection and palpation on the living body the position and relationships of all major bony structures.

27. Interpret anatomical appearances in radiographs of the region studied.

28. Describe in simple terms the effect of injury to or dysfunction of the above structures.

29. Describe microscopic structure in relation to function.

30. Identify normal tissues and organs by carrying out a systematic examination of prepared microscopic slides.

31. Describe the normal development of all the major human organ systems and correlate this with their gross and microscopic structure.

### **Course Content:**

#### **Gross Anatomy - Principles of Anatomy**

1. **Methods of study:** anatomical position and descriptive nomenclature; bones and joints; muscles, tendons and fasciae; blood vessels and lymphatics; nerves: spinal cord and typical spinal nerve; skin and appendages; disposition of viscera and serous cavities.

#### **2. Regional Dissection**

1. Dissection of the upper limb, lower limb, superficial thoracic wall, breast, axilla, muscles, vessels, lymph nodes, nerves, bones and joints; applied anatomy.
2. Thoracic cage: vertebrae, sternum, ribs, intercostal muscles, vessels and nerves.
3. Thoracic viscera: heart, lungs, trachea, esophagus, arteries, veins, nerves, lymph nodes.
4. Abdominal wall: muscles, vessels, inguinal canal and hernia.
5. Abdominal viscera: stomach, intestines, liver, gall bladder, pancreas, spleen, kidney and ureters, vessels and lymph nodes.
6. Pelvis and perineum: male and female bony pelvis; urinary bladder, rectum, uterus, fallopian tubes and ovaries; prostate and seminal vesicles; and canal, external genitalia.
7. Head and neck
8. Neuroanatom

#### **Embryology**

1. Gametogenesis: oogenesis, spermatogenesis,
2. Fertilization
3. Cleavage and transport of the conceptus: blastocyst formation and implantation.
4. Formation of germ layers (gastrulation) and early development: formation of amnion, yolk sac, and bilaminar embryonic disc; primary germ layers; formation of prelamina disc.
5. Derivatives of germ layers and establishment of body form: derivatives of ectoderm, mesoderm and endoderm; formation of head, tail and lateral body folds.
6. Development of fetal membranes and the placenta: amnion, chorion, yolk sac and allantois; formation and structure of the placenta; umbilical cord and placental circulation; functions of the placenta; multiple births and their membrane relationships.
7. Teratology: congenital malformations and their causes; incidence of malformations; aetiology: chromosomal and environmental factors.
8. Skeletal system and ossification: intramembranous and endochondral ossification; skull, vertebral column, sternum, appendicular skeleton; teeth; congenital malformations.
9. Muscular and integumentary systems: skeletal and smooth musculature; skin and appendages; mammary gland.

10. Branchial arches and face: components of branchial arches; branchial clefts and pouches; ectoderm, mesoderm and endoderm derivatives; mouth, palate and face; developmental anomalies of the branchial region.
11. The heart and blood vascular system: early development of the heart and primitive circulation; later development of the heart and partitioning of the heart; development of the great vessels; fetal circulation and postnatal changes; anomalies of the cardiovascular system.
12. Urogenital system: pronephros, mesonephros and metanephros; cloaca, urinary bladder and urethra; suprarenal gland; gonads and genital ducts, differentiation of sex; external genitalia; anomalies.
13. Nervous system: neurulation and histogenesis of the neural tube; neural crest; cell groups in the spinal cord and brainstem; cranial nerve nuclei; development of the brain, eye, ear; anomalies.
14. Colon, lungs, diaphragm: septum transversum; air passages and lungs; diaphragm; anomalies.
15. Alimentary system: foregut and its derivatives, including spleen; midgut and rotation of the gut loop; hindgut; anomalies.
16. Head and Neck: maxillofacial, oral cavity, facial bones, muscles of mastication, muscles on the chest, clavicle, sinuses, orbits, orbital muscles, globe of the eye blood vessels, nerves, lymph nodes, nasal cavities, cranial cavity, neuro-anatomy, contents of the cranial cavity, brain, meninges, arachnoids.

## Histology

1. Introduction - light microscopy and histological techniques.
2. The Cell - membrane systems and organelles; cell division.
3. Epithelia - membranes and surface specialisations; exocrine glands.
4. Connective tissue I - CT proper: fibres, CT cells, intercellular substance.
5. Connective tissue II - cartilage and bone.
6. Connective tissue III - ossification and bone repair.
7. Connective tissue IV - blood and bone marrow; haematopoiesis.
8. Muscle tissue - smooth, cardiac, and skeletal muscle.
9. Nerve tissue - nerve cell bodies, axons and dendrites, myelination, peripheral nerves and ganglia.
10. Blood vascular system: heart, arteries, veins, lymphatics.
11. Immune system: thymus, spleen, lymph node, tonsil.
12. Integumentary system: skin, hair and nails, sebaceous and sweat glands, sensory receptors
13. Respiratory system: nose, larynx, air passages, lungs.
14. Alimentary system: oral cavity, esophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine; liver, gall bladder, pancreas.
15. Urinary system: kidney, ureter, urinary bladder.
16. Male reproductive system: testis, vas deferens, seminal vesicle, prostate, urethra, penis.
17. Female reproductive system: ovary, fallopian tube, uterus, vagina.
18. Endocrine system: pituitary, thyroid, parathyroid, suprarenal, endocrine pancreas, pineal.
19. Special sense organs: eye and ear.
20. Central nervous system: spinal cord, cerebral and cerebellar cortex.

## CLINICAL AND APPLIED ANATOMY

### 1. Upper Limb

- Anatomical principles applied to shoulder dislocation/injury.
- Anatomical principles applied to fractures of the radius, ulna and phalanges
- Anatomical principles applied to hand Infections (palmar spaces).

### 2. Lower Limb

- Anatomical principles applied to injury vascular and nervous systems of the lower limb
- Anatomical principles applied to fractures of the femur, tibia, fibula, tarsals, and metatarsals
- Anatomical principles applied to the lower limb fascial spaces
- Anatomical principles of joints and dislocations of the lower limb
- Anatomical principles of fascial spaces infections

### 3. Pelvis

### 4. Head and Neck

Surface anatomy of the head and neck and spine organs.  
Radiological anatomy of the head and neck  
Radiological anatomy of the GIT.  
Anatomical principles applied to radiological anatomy of the head and neck  
Vertebral bones, spine injury  
Anatomical principles applied to injury/fractures of the cranium and contents  
Fractures of the oral and maxillofacial region

### 5. Thorax

Surface anatomy of the thoracic organs.  
Anatomical principles applied to intercostal drainage of fluids and air.  
Anatomical principles applied to pulmonary diseases (pneumonia, TB, lung tumors).  
Anatomical principles applied myocardial infarction and congenital heart disease.  
Radiological anatomy of the lungs and heart.

### 6. Abdomen

Anterior and posterior surface anatomy of the abdominal organs.  
Anatomical principles applied to inguinal hernias.  
Anatomical principles applied to intestinal obstruction.  
Anatomical principles applied to radiological anatomy of the renal system.  
Radiological Anatomy of the GIT.

The Republic of South Sudan MBBS programme applies a competency- based curriculum to produce a competent and reflective doctor. The students are trained using the SPICES model based on small group teaching. Promoting ICT resources in teaching and learning

#### Teaching Methods

Tutorials  
Lectures  
Technology based: web/ICT learning.  
Small group teaching,  
Integrated teaching

Community-based education  
Lectures - 2 hours per week  
Practical - 6 hours per week  
Seminars - 6 hours per week  
Tutorials - 1 hour per week

#### Assessment Methods

**Formative:** Viva voce  
Feedback  
Practical, short answer questions  
Portfolio/log book  
Self-assessment  
Peer-assessment  
Tutor assessment

<b>Continuous assessment:</b>	<b>40%</b>
Assignments:	10%
Written tests (2):	20%
Practical:	10%

## Summative

### Final examination:

Written examination:	<b>60%</b>
Paper I (MCQ):	20%.
Paper II (Essays):	25%
Practical:	10%
Viva Voce:	5%

## Recommended Text Books

### Histology

1. Junqueira LC, Carneiro J & Kelly R (1992), Basic Histology, 7th edition (or later) Prentice Hall/Lange.
2. Tallitsch RB, Guastaferri R (2009). Histology: Identification Manual, Mosby/Elsevier.
3. Eroschenko VP (1996). Difiore's Atlas of Histology, 8th Ed. (or later) Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
4. Young B, Lowe JS, Stevens A & Heath JW (2006). Wheater's Functional Histology, 5th Ed, Churchill Livingstone/Elsevier

### Embryology

1. Sadler TW (2005). Langman's Medical Embryology, 9th Ed, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
2. Moore KL & Persaud TVN (2003). The Developing Human, 7th Ed, Saunders/Elsevier

### Gross Anatomy

1. Zuckerman S (1981). A New System of Anatomy, 2nd ed. Oxford Medical publications.
2. Tank PW (2009). Grant's Dissector, 14th ed. Walter Kluwer/Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
3. Drake R, Vogl W & Mitchell AWM (2005). Gray's Anatomy for Students, Churchill.
4. Standring S (2004), Gray's Anatomy, 39th ed. Churchill Livingstone/Elsevier.

### Journals

1. Livingstone/Elsevier Journals (To be advised by lecturers in charge). Websites (To be advised by lecturers in charge).

## (2)Course title: Medical Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

**Credit hours: 24**

**Contact hours: 210**

**Practicals & Tutorials: 450**

### Course description:

The proposed curriculum was designed so as to follow & cope the evolution progress which has occurred in recent years in the field of biochemistry & molecular medicine also the new curriculum has considered the applied part of biochemistry & its integration with clinical science & Para clinical science so that the integrated lectures will be conducted within the syllabus of biochemistry with collaboration with other departments such medicine, pathology, pediatrics and pharmacology.

**The curriculum will be studied as part of the basic medical sciences on 4 semesters (SII, III, IV & V)**

### First year, Semester II

#### Biochemistry 1

Introduction to medical biochemistry

#### Objectives

By the end of this term the student should be able to:

Define the basic principles of organic chemistry.

Learn the concept of acid- base regulation; know the techniques for pH measurement and the significance of buffering in biological systems.

Describe the chemical structure of carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, enzymes, co-enzymes, vitamins, nucleic acid, genes, chromatin and chromosomes.

Illustrate these chemical structures in three dimensions with the relevant properties of the main chemical groups.

List the specificities and catalytic power of enzymes, understand the mechanisms of their actions and identify factors that affect their activity.

- Know the biological and biochemical roles of vitamins
- Illustrate the role of DNA, m RNA, gene and protein synthesis.
- Know the principles and applications of different biochemical techniques used in biological research.

### **Specific objectives**

By the end of this semester student should cover the following topics

1. The cell: An overall view about living cell and organelles.
2. Organic chemistry: Review of basic organic chemistry.
3. Carbohydrates: Definition, chemistry, importance, classification (e.g. mono and disaccharides), important disaccharides and polysaccharides.
4. Lipids: Definition, importance, Classification (Simple or storage form and complex or structural form), derived lipids with specific biological activity.
5. Fatty acids: definition, nomenclature, saturated/ unsaturated and physical properties. Triacylglycerol; importance and physical properties.
6. Protein: Chemical structure, different levels of protein structures and types. Blood protein; hemoglobin structure/ function and abnormalities, serum proteins; albumin, globulin, immunoglobulin and blood clotting proteins.
7. Biochemical techniques: Principal and applications of dialysis, centrifugation, chromatography, electrophoresis, gel filtration, colorimeter and immunological and molecular techniques.
8. Nucleic acid: Definition, chemistry, DNA, RNA, nucleotides structure (Sugar, purine/ pyrimidine bases and phosphate) importance in energy
9. Basic principles of DNA (Watson and Crick model), comparison of DNA and RNA, structure and polymerization and genetic code.
10. Vitamins: Chemistry, sources, active form (co- enzyme) and deficiency.
11. Enzymes: Structure, catalytic properties, specificity and allosteric enzymes, Enzymes classification, kinetics, clinical enzymology e.g. lactate dehydrogenase.

### **Second Year, Semester III &IV:**

#### **Biochemistry II**

#### **Objectives:**

By the end of this course the student should:

- Be able to know all types of dietary sources (carbohydrates, lipid and proteins) as well their digestion and absorption.
- Know how fuel molecules are oxidized in cell to produce energy and how are they synthesized from amphibolic intermediates.

- Know how the body utilizes various sources of energy under different physiological (e.g. fed and fasting) & pathological situations
- Enumerate abnormalities associated with synthesis and degradation of bio- molecules.
- Know synthesis and degradation of building blocks of nucleic acid, DNA organization & replication, RNA transcription & alternations, protein synthesis and different types of mutations.

### **Specific objective:**

By the end of this semester student should cover the following topics:

**1-Carbohydrates utilization:** Digestion and absorption, metabolism (including glycolysis, citric acid cycle, electron transport chain, pentose phosphate pathway glycogenesis, glycogenolysis, gluconeogenesis. Glycogenesis (storage disorders). Fructose and galactose metabolism and associated metabolic disorders

**2-Lipids Utilization:** Digestion and absorption, metabolism (including fatty acid oxidation and synthesis, ketone bodies production and utilization, triacylglycerol (TAG) and glycolipids synthesis and cholesterol synthesis) lipid transport in body fluids (Lipoproteins) and associated metabolic disorders.

**3-Amino acids (aa) Utilization:** Digestion and absorption, metabolism of aa (including transamination, Oxidative deamination, urea synthesis and associated disorders, catabolism of carbon skeleton of the standard aa (all 20aa), synthesis of non- essential aa, synthesis of non- specialized proteins from aa e.g. heme synthesis & degradation) and inborn errors of aa metabolism.

**4-Nucleotides:** Synthesis and degradation and associated disorders.

**5-DNA:** replication, RNA transcription and translation.

**6-Protein biosynthesis:** genetic code, post- transcription modification and mutations.

## **Third year, semester V**

### **Biochemistry III**

#### **Objectives:**

By the end of this semester the student should:

Know the integration and hormonal regulation of metabolism and involvement of the major organs; the liver, adipose tissue, cardiac and skeletal muscles, brain, kidney and the blood. Also students should be aware of the major classes of hormones and mechanism of signal transduction and diabetes mellitus as an example of metabolic derangement.

List the mechanisms of regulation of gene expression and principles of gene manipulation

Know the molecular basis of immunology; cancer biochemistry metabolism of xenobiotics and major concept of nutrition and mineral metabolism and clinical cases in biochemistry.

#### **Specific objective:**

By the end of this semester student should cover the following topics:

1. Integration and hormonal regulation of metabolism including:
2. Strategy of metabolism, recurring motives of control, control of major catabolic pathways and key junction of different metabolic pathways.

3. The metabolic role of liver, adipose tissue, skeletal and cardiac muscle, brain, kidney and the blood in the intermediary metabolism.
4. Metabolic abnormalities (diabetes mellitus).
5. Major classes of hormones involved in metabolism (insulin, glucagon and epinephrine).
6. Mechanisms of hormonal action (Signal transduction).
7. Immunochemistry:
8. Introduction of the immune system.
9. Immunoglobulin structure and function.
10. T- cell receptors and major histocompatibility complex molecule.
11. Diversity of immunoglobulin and T- cell receptor.
12. Complements and complement pathways and cytokines.
13. Cellular and molecular cooperation of the immune response.
14. Control of gene expression.
15. Recombinant DNA technology.
16. Cancer biochemistry.
17. Detoxification and metabolism of xenobiotics.
18. Biochemistry of muscle contraction.
19. Plasma proteins.
20. Principles of nutrition and mineral metabolism.

## Teaching/Training Methods

Lectures  
Tutorials  
Laboratory Practical

## Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Continuous assessment Tests -	35%
Laboratory/practical reports -	5%
<b>Final Examination</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written examination	
Paper 1 - Essays and short notes-	20%
Paper 2 -Multiple choice questions-	30%
Final Oral examination -	10%

## Recommended Text Books

1. Lehninger, A.L., Nelson, D.L., and Cox M.M. (2008) Principles of Biochemistry. Worth Publishers, New York. ISBN 0-87901-500-4.
2. Martin, D.W., Hayes, P.A., and Rowell, V.M. (1991). Harper's review of Biochemistry. Lange Medical Publications, California. ISBN: 0-87041-036-9
3. Thomas M. Devlin (2002). Textbook of Biochemistry with Clinical Correlations. Willey Liss Publishers. ISBN-13:978-0-7167-8724-2.
4. Stryer, L. 2006. Biochemistry. W.H. Freeman and Co., San Francisco

### **(3)Course title: Medical Physiology**

<b>Credit hours:</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Contact hours:</b>	<b>210</b>
<b>Practical/Clinical Round:</b>	<b>405</b>

Broad Objective: Integrated Core Basic Science Course

When taught:

Introductory Physiology:	Year1: Semester II
Integrated Core Basic Science Course I:	Year 2: Semester III
Integrated Core Basic Science Course II:	Year 2: Semester IV
Clinical Application Basic Science Course III:	Year 3: Semester V
Revision of Core Basic Sciences Course IV:	Year 3: Semester V

#### **Introduction**

The course is on Basic and Applied Physiology.

1. Enables the student to have an integrated understanding of physiology at the molecular, cellular and organ levels.
2. An understanding of the structure and function of molecules, cells, organs and organ systems.
3. Understand the functioning of the human body in health and disease.
4. Impart the students with essential knowledge on the integrative mechanisms that exists between systems.
5. An understanding of the structure and function of the cells, physiology of nerve and muscle, synaptic and junctional transmission, and function of blood and lymph.
6. An understanding of the normal function of the body systems: the gastro-intestinal, cardiovascular system, the respiratory system, urinary system, endocrine system, and the central nervous system.
7. Basic and Applied Physiology imparts understanding of the integrated knowledge of the human body from the level of molecules, cells and organs.
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9. An understanding of the structure and function of cells, organs and organ systems and the integrative mechanisms that exists between systems.

#### **Course Aim**

To enable students to have knowledge of the functioning of the human body at the molecular, cellular and organ systems level and be able to apply this knowledge in clinical practice.

#### **Learning Outcomes/ Course Objectives**

At the end of the course the students should be able to:

1. Describe aspects of cellular and molecular physiology.
2. Name the various parts of the nerves and the functions, and describe transmission at synapses.
3. Define and discuss the importance of homeostasis.
4. Describe the various parts of the nerves and the functions, and transmission at synapses.
5. Discuss the morphological and functional characteristics of the different types of muscles.
6. Describe the structure and function of the conduction system of the heart including recording and interpretation of the electrocardiogram (ECG).
7. Describe the relationship between flow, pressure and resistance in the vascular system.
8. Describe the autonomic system and its role in the physiologic regulation of the cardiovascular system
9. Define shock and its major causes.
10. Define features and causes of hypertension and cardiac failure.
11. Describe and compare the pulmonary and systemic circulations.
12. Describe gas transportation, regulation of respiration and respiratory adjustments in health and disease.
13. Describe the structure and function of a nephron and renal blood supply.
14. Describe the assessment of renal function.
15. Explain the tubular handling of various substances in terms of filtration, reabsorption and secretion.

16. Outline the effects of hormones on different organs.
17. Describe the mechanisms that regulate hormonal secretion.
18. Describe features of the diseases caused by excess or deficiency of each hormone.
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25. Describe gas transportation, regulation of respiration and respiratory adjustments in health and disease.
26. Describe the structure and function of a nephron and renal blood supply.
27. Describe the assessment of renal function.
28. Explain the tubular handling of various substances in terms of filtration, reabsorption and secretion.
29. Outline the effects of hormones on different organs.
30. Describe the mechanisms that regulate hormonal secretion.
31. Describe features of the diseases caused by excess or deficiency of each hormone
32. Define common terms in blood physiology
33. Discuss the various constituents and their interrelationships in blood physiology.
34. Describe the roles and functions of blood constituents in health and disease.
35. Define homeostasis and its mechanisms of maintenance.
36. Describe the role of the immune system and its constituents in health and disease.
37. Discuss the functional cycles of the heart in health and disease
38. Interpret investigative findings of the heart in health and disease.
39. Describe the regulatory mechanisms of the heart in health and disease.
40. Elucidate the functions of each part of the gastrointestinal system.
41. Describe the roles of the nervous system and hepatobiliary systems in the GIT system.
42. Discuss the functions of the parts of the respiratory system
  
43. Demonstrate proficiency in identifying the mechanisms of disease by the constituent parts of the respiratory system.
44. Interpret results of investigations of respiratory function in health and disease.
45. Describe the structure and function of a nephron and renal blood supply.
46. Describe the assessment of renal function.
47. Explain the tubular handling of various substances in terms of filtration, reabsorption and secretion.
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**Course Content:**

**Unit I- General and cellular basis of medical physiology**

**1. Cellular Physiology:**

1.1 History, goal and objectives

1.2 Body fluids Compartments

1.3 Homeostasis and feedback systems.

1.4 Functional morphology of the cell and cell membrane:

1.5 Membrane proteins; types and function

1.6 Transport across cell membrane

1.7 The capillary wall

1.8 Intracellular communication

1.9 The Role of Calcium in Nerve Excitation.

**Physiology of Nerve and Muscle Cells:**

2.1 Cellular elements in the CNS

2.2 Excitation and Conduction

2.3 Resting Membrane Potential and Action Potential

2.4 All or none law

2.5 Nerve Fiber Types

2.6 Neurotrophins

2.7 Morphology of Skeletal Muscle (Muscle proteins, striation and sarcotubular system)

2.8 Contractile Responses and Muscular Excitation

2.9 Properties of Skeletal Muscle

2.10 Morphology and properties of Cardiac Muscle

2.11 Morphology and properties of Smooth Muscle

2.12 Synaptic Transmission

2.13 Inhibition and Facilitation at Synapses

2.14 Neuromuscular junction.

2.15 Nerve Endings in Smooth and Cardiac Muscles

**Unit II: Systemic Physiology**

**3. Cardiovascular System Physiology:**

3.1 Cardiac structure and function

3.2 Basic properties of the cardiac muscle

3.3 Origin and Spread of Cardiac Excitation

3.4 Electrocardiogram

3.5 Cardiac Arrhythmias

3.6 The cardiac cycle

- 3.7 The cardiac output and its control
- 3.8 Composition and Function of Blood
- 3.9 Blood Types and groups
- 3.10 Hemostasis; Coagulation, Fibrinolysis and Bleeding Disorders
- 3.11 Structural Features of the Circulation
- 3.12 Biophysical Considerations for Circulatory Physiology
- 3.13 Arterial, Arteriolar and Capillary Circulation
- 3.14 Lymphatic Circulation and Interstitial Fluid Volume
- 3.15 Neural Control of the Cardiovascular System
- 3.16 Hormonal Control of the Cardiovascular System
- 3.17 Circulation through Special Regions

#### **4. Gastrointestinal Physiology:**

- 4.1 Structural organization of GIT
- 4.2 Gastrointestinal Secretions
- 4.3 Gastrointestinal regulation
- 4.4 Gastrointestinal Peptides
- 4.5 The Enteric Nervous system
- 4.6 The Splanchnic Circulation
- 4.7 Digestion and Absorption
- 4.8 Nutritional Principles and Energy Metabolism
- 4.9 Gastrointestinal Motility
- 4.10 Transport and Metabolic Functions of the Liver and the Biliary System

#### **5. Physiology of the Renal System:**

- 5.1 Functional Anatomy of the Kidney
- 5.2 Renal Circulation
- 5.3 Glomerular Filtration
- 5.4 Clearance Concept
- 5.5 Tubular Function
- 5.6 The Countercurrent Mechanism

- 5.7 Regulation of Sodium Excretion
- 5.8 Regulation of Water Excretion
- 5.9 Regulation of Potassium Excretion
- 5.10 Urinary concentration and dilution
- 5.11 Effects of Disordered Renal Function
- 5.12 Physiology of Urinary Bladder
- 5.13 Regulation of Extracellular Fluid Composition & Volume
- 5.14 Acidification of the Urine and Bicarbonate Excretion

## **6. Physiology of the Respiratory System:**

- 6.1 Anatomy of the Lungs
- 6.2 Properties of Gases
- 6.3 Mechanics of Respiration
- 6.4 Lung Volumes and capacities.
- 6.5 Gas Exchange in the Lung
- 6.6 Alveolar gas exchange
- 6.7 Physics of diffusion and partial pressure
- 6.8 Pulmonary circulation
- 6.9 Ventilation - Perfusion Relationship
- 6.10 Transport of oxygen in the blood
- 6.11 Oxygen - Hemoglobin Dissociation Curve
- 6.12 Carbon Dioxide Transport in the blood
- 6.13 Acidosis and Alkalosis
- 6.14 Hypoxia, Hypercapnia and Hypocapnia
- 6.15 Neural and Chemical Control of Breathing
- 6.16 Respiratory Abnormalities

## **7. Physiology of the Endocrine and Reproductive Systems:**

- 7.1 The Thyroid Gland
- 7.2 Formation and Secretion of Thyroid Hormones
- 7.3 Transport and Metabolism of Thyroid Hormones

- 7.4 Regulation of Thyroid Secretion
- 7.5 Effects of Thyroid Hormones
- 7.6 Action of the thyroid hormone
- 7.7 Endocrine Functions of the Pancreas
- 7.8 Insulin Deficiency and Excess
- 7.9. Regulation of Insulin Secretion
- 7.10 Glucagon
- 7.11 Somatostatin
- 7.12 Diabetes Mellitus
- 7.13 The Adrenal Medulla and Adrenal Cortex
- 7.14 Regulation of Adrenal Medullary Secretion
- 7.15 Transport, Metabolism and Excretion of Adrenocortical Hormones
- 7.16 Physiologic Effects of Glucocorticoids
- 7.17 Pharmacologic and Pathologic Effects of Glucocorticoids
- 7.18 Regulation of Glucocorticoids Secretion
- 7.19 Effects of Mineralocorticoids
- 7.20 Regulation of Aldosterone Secretion
- 7.21 Calcium and Phosphorus Metabolism
- 7.22 Vitamin D metabolism
- 7.23 Parathyroid Hormones
- 7.24 Calcitonin and Bone Physiology
- 7.25 The Pituitary Gland and its Hormones
- 7.26 The Hypothalamic hormones and their functions
- 7.27 The Gonads and the Gonadal Hormones
- 7.28 The Male Reproductive System
- 7.29 The Female Reproductive System

**Unit III- Neurophysiology/ Central and Peripheral:**

- 8.1 Introduction to Neurophysiology
- 8.2 Development of the nervous system

- 8.3 Properties of Sensory Receptors
- 8.4 Reflexes
- 8.5 Neurotransmitters and Neuromodulators
- 8.6 Basic design of the Nervous System
- 8.7 Pain and Temperature
- 8.8 Classification of Pain
- 8.9 Somatosensory Pathways
- 8.10 Modulation of Pain Transmission
- 8.11 Anatomic Organization of the Autonomic Outflow
- 8.12 Chemical Transmission at Autonomic Junctions
- 8.13 Responses of Effector Organs to Autonomic Nerve Impulses
- 8.14 Enteric Nervous System
- 8.15 Hypothalamic Regulation of the Hormonal Functions
- 8.16 Control of Posterior Pituitary
- 8.17 Control of Anterior Pituitary
- 8.18 Control of Posture and Movement
- 8.19 Corticospinal and Corticobulbar Tracts
- 8.20 Motor Cortex and Voluntary Movement
- 8.21 Brain Stem Pathways involved in Posture and Voluntary Movement
- 8.22 Posture Regulating Systems
- 8.23 Spinal Integration
- 8.24 Basal Ganglia
- 8.25 Cerebellum
- 8.26 Cerebral Metabolism and Blood Flow
- 8.27 Cerebrospinal Fluid System
- 8.28 Neuroglial types and function
- 8.29 Blood- Brain Barrier

## **Unit IV: Physiology of Special Senses and Higher Centers:**

9.1 Anatomic Consideration of the Visual System

9.2 The Image Forming Mechanism

9.3 Transduction in photoreceptors and photochemistry

9.4 Visual Acuity

9.5 Visual Fields

9.6 The Function of Lateral Geniculate Body

9.7 The Photoreceptor Mechanism

9.8 Responses in the Visual Pathways and Cortex

9.9 Color Vision

9.10 Other Aspects of Visual Function

9.11 Eye Movements

9.12 Anatomic Consideration of Hearing and Equilibrium

9.13 Physiology of Hearing

9.14 The Vestibular System

9.15 Hearing abnormalities

9.16 Audiometric tests

9.17 The sense of Smell

9.18 The Sense of Taste

9.19 The Thalamus, Cerebral Cortex and the Reticular Formation

9.20 The Reticular Activating System

9.21 Investigation the brain; Evoked Cortical Potentials

9.22 Physiologic Basis of Electroencephalogram

9.23 Sleep - Wake Cycle

9.24 Sleep stages and types

9.25 Circadian Rhythm

9.26 Modulation of the level of consciousness

9.27 Epilepsy and Disturbance of Consciousness

9.28 The Limbic System, Amygdala and Hippocampus

## 9.29 Learning and Memory

### Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Continuous assessment Tests -	35%
Laboratory/practical reports -	5%
<b>Final written examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Paper 1- Essays and short notes-	30%
Paper 2 - Multiple choice questions-	20%
Final Oral examination -	10%

**Formative:** Mini project, literature review

**Summative:** Long essay questions, MCQ, short essay questions, mock examination

### Recommended Textbooks

1. Ganong W.G. (2005). A Review of Medical Physiology. Lange Medical Publications California ISBN 007 – 144040-2.
2. Walter F.B., Boupaep E.L., (2009) Medical Physiology. Publishers Saunders/Elsevier. ISBN 978-1-4160-3115-4.
3. Guyton A.C and Hall J.E. (2006) Medical Physiology. ISBN 13.978-0-7216-0240-0.
4. Berne and Levy (2008) Physiology Publishers – Mosby/Elsevier. ISBN 978-0-323- 04582-7.

### **14.3. Para-Clinical Subjects/Courses: Semester VI (3<sup>rd</sup> yr), VII & VIII (4<sup>th</sup> yr)**

**Courses to be taught: Pathology, Medical Microbiology & Immunology, Clinical Pharmacology, Community Medicine, Introduction to Internal Medicine and Surgery**

**Credit hours: 69**

**Contact hours: 585**

**Practicals hours: 1,350**

#### **(1) Course title: Medical Microbiology & Immunology**

**(BACTERIOLOGY, PARASITOLOGY, MYCOLOGY, VIROLOGY, and IMMUNOLOGY)**

**Credit hours: 18**

**Contact hours: 165**

**Practicals / Clinical Round: 270**

#### **Introduction**

The course introduces the student to the scientific basis of medical/clinical microbiology, and infectious diseases and infection control. The course provides the scientific basis for diseases caused by contagious micro-organisms: viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites.

#### **Course aim**

1. To impart the students with knowledge, understanding and medical application of medical bacteriology, parasitology mycology, virology and immunology, highlighting bacteria, parasites, fungi and viruses of clinical importance. It also describes specific systemic bacterial, parasitic, fungal and viral infections, and their pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment.
2. To impart the students with knowledge, ability to apply the practical laboratory skills of diagnosing and managing diseases caused by infectious microbiologic agents for use in clinical practice and at community level.

#### **Course Objectives/Learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students should be able to:

1. Outline the different fungi / viruses and the diseases they cause.
2. Describe the pathogenic mechanisms of fungi and viruses.
3. Outline the epidemiology and control of diseases of national importance.
4. Identify fungi and viruses using various techniques.
5. Outline anti-microbial susceptibility and resistance, local resistance patterns, infection surveillance, prevention and epidemic preparedness.
6. Describe pathogenesis of diseases caused by microbiologic agents.
7. Know the basic mechanism of infection and molecular mechanism in the pathogenesis of diseases.
8. Analyse and interpret results of microbiological tests for use clinical practice.
9. Effectively communicate fundamental concepts of microbiology in written and oral format.
10. Properly collect, prepare and view specimens (blood, stool, culture etc.) in a microbiologic laboratory.
11. Use appropriate methods to identify microorganisms (media-based, molecular, and serological).
12. Use appropriate microbiological and molecular lab equipment and methods.
13. Practice safe microbiology, using appropriate protective and emergency procedures.
14. Document and report on experimental protocols, results and conclusions.

## Learning outcomes/Course Competencies

1. Demonstrate knowledge and skills in identifying viruses of medical significance.
2. Elucidate the public health risks posed by some of the viruses common locally and globally.
3. Demonstrate capacity to implement preventive and control measures against viral spread
4. Classify fungi by site and morphology
5. Discuss the common fungal infections and the epidemiological strata.
6. Define common terms used in parasitology.
7. Enumerate the common parasites found in the Republic of South Sudan
8. Describe the morphology and life cycles of common parasites
9. Describe the morphology of common arthropods causing disease.
10. Describe the life cycles of the common arthropods. In disease.
11. Demonstrate knowledge of the natural history of infectious diseases.
12. Show Interpretative skills so that a clinically useful opinion can be derived from laboratory data.
13. Appreciate the role of laboratory services and multidisciplinary care in medical care.
14. Technical knowledge, gained from familiarity with laboratory technology, so that methodology appropriate to a clinical problem can be chosen and so that quality control and quality assurance procedures can be implemented.
15. Explain the basic microbial biology (structure, genetics, taxonomy, physiology, epidemiology, classification and typing) of major bacterial, viral, fungal and parasitic agents.
16. Use knowledge of basic biology to justify investigations, infection prevention and control procedures and interpretation of results
17. Explain the basis of genetic susceptibility to pathogens and disease.
18. Explain the basics of the immune response to infection, host defense mechanisms, the immune system and immunity to infection and immunodeficiency.
19. Compare and contrast cellular and humoral immunity
20. Explain the basis of how the immune response protects against infection, and how it may contribute to pathogenesis of infectious diseases.
21. Explain the basis of different types of host-parasite relationships: symbiosis, viral latency, quasi- species evolution, etc.
22. Explain the types of immunodeficiency and how they affect susceptibility to and control of infectious diseases
23. Use knowledge of host-pathogen relationships to analyse clinical presentation of infections and justify investigations and interpretations of results
24. Explain microbial pathogenicity and genetic susceptibility to pathogens and diseases.
25. Explain epidemiology of infectious diseases - their surveillance and control.
26. Explain typing methods available: the principles, advantages and limitations of various phenotypic and genotypic methods.
27. Describe the role of typing in incident/ surveillance and outbreak investigations.
28. Understand about antimicrobial agents, their mode of action and mechanisms of microbial resistance.
29. Explain how vaccines work

## Course Content

### Part I – General microbiology

1. Subject and tasks of microbiology. The role of Pasteur and Koch for development of medical microbiology. Taxonomy of microorganisms – nomenclature and classification. General characteristics of different groups of microorganisms.
2. Morphology of bacteria – shape, size, arrangement. Methods for studying bacterial morphology. Bacterial structure – essential and nonessential components: cell envelope, cytoplasm and cytoplasmic inclusions, capsules, flagella, fimbriae, spores.
3. Bacterial genetics. Genotype and phenotype of bacteria. Genetic apparatus in bacteria. Bacterial chromosome as a genetic system. Extrachromosomal genetic elements. Bacteriophages – main types, structure, interactions with the microbial cell – lytic cycle, moderate phage, prophage, phage conversion, phage-typing.
4. Microbial mutability. Mutations. Mutagenic factors – chemical and physical, mechanism of action, practical use. Genetic transfer – transformation, conjugation, transduction – mechanisms. The importance of bacterial and phage genetics. Genetic engineering. Contemporary genetic methods in clinical microbiology. DNA probes. PCR – polymerase chain reaction.
5. Bacterial physiology. Chemical composition of bacterial cell. Bacterial enzymes. Bacterial metabolism – catabolic and anabolic processes. Bacterial respiration. Bacterial nutrition. Transport of nutrients.
6. Bacterial growth and reproduction. Growth phases and growth curves. Bacterial culture – basic principles, culture media. Bacterial growth factors.
7. Influence of physical factors on microorganisms: heat, drying, light, atmospheric pressure, osmotic pressure, radiation, pH, ultrasound. Sterilization.
8. Methods of sterilization. Influence of chemical factors on microorganism.
9. Disinfection, types of disinfectants. Characteristics (special features) of disinfecting and sterilizing procedures in the dental practice. Mechanism of action of chemicals upon bacteria. Oligodynamics. Influence of biological factors upon microorganisms: symbiosis, antagonisms, antibiosis.
10. Antimicrobial agents: Main groups, spectrum and mechanism of action. Mechanisms of resistance to antimicrobial agents. Antibiotic susceptibility tests.

### Part II – Infection and Immunity

1. Infection and infectious process.
  1. The role of microorganism in the infectious process.
  2. Pathogenic factors: pathogenicity, virulence, invasiveness, toxigenicity.
  3. The role of microorganism in the infectious process.
  4. The role of the environment for development and course of the infectious process.
  5. Epidemic process: factors and mechanisms of transmission of the infectious agents in the epidemic process.
2. Characteristics of infectious diseases:
  1. Pathogenesis.
  2. Forms of the infectious process. Focal infection in humans.
3. Immunity
  1. Definition.
  2. Types of immunity.
  3. The protective role of adaptive immunity.
  4. Microbial factors counteracting the mechanisms of the adaptive immunity.
4. Anatomy and structure of the immune system
  1. Primary and secondary organs.
  2. Cells of the immune system.
  3. Development of the immunocompetent cells –positive and negative selection.
5. Antigens
  1. Types of antigens.

2. Antigenic characteristics of microorganisms.
6. Humoral immunity
  1. Characteristics of antibodies (immunoglobulins).
  2. Structure and function of different immunoglobulin classes.
  3. Mechanism of action of antibodies.
7. Local immunity. Monoclonal antibodies.
8. Cellular immunity
  1. Cells and mechanism of action.
  2. Types of cellular immunity.
  3. Cellular cooperation in the immune response.
9. Development of the immune response.
  1. Recognition of antigens.
  2. The role of APC and MHC molecules.
  3. Dynamics of the immune response – primary and secondary immune response.
  4. Genetic control of the immune response.
  5. Humoral regulation of the immune response.
10. Allergy – definition and types.
  1. Immediate allergic reactions – anaphylaxis, atopy, clinical significance.
  2. Cytotoxic allergic reactions.
  3. Allergic phenomena due to immune complexes – serum sickness, Arthus phenomenon, clinical significance.
  4. Delayed type hypersensitivity – tuberculin skin test (Mantoux), contact dermatitis.
  5. Clinical significance of hypersensitivity in medicine.
11. Immunopathology.
  1. Immunopathological reactions and diseases.
  2. Immunological tolerance.
  3. Autoimmune diseases.
  4. Immunodeficiencies – disorders and diseases.
  5. Infections in patients with immunodeficiency syndromes.
12. Antigen-antibody reactions.
  1. Types: agglutination, precipitation, neutralization, complement fixation test.
  2. Labeled immune reactions – immunofluorescence, radioimmune and immunoenzyme tests.
  3. Mechanisms and practical application of the reactions in microbiological diagnosis.
13. Immunoprophylaxis and immunotherapy.
  1. Vaccines and sera.
  2. Immunomodulation.

### **Part III – Special Microbiology**

1. Microbiological diagnosis of infectious diseases.
  1. Methods and algorithm of the microbiological examination of specimens direct microscopy, isolation and identification of microorganisms; serological diagnosis; modern molecular – biological tests.
1. Staphylococcus spp.
  1. Classification.
  2. Morphology, biology.
  3. Pathogenic factors.
  4. Pathogenicity, diseases and immunity.
  5. Microbiological diagnosis
  6. Antimicrobial treatment.
  7. MRSA – clinical importance and diagnosis.

2. *Streptococcus* spp.
  1. Classification
  2. Morphology, biology, antigenic structure.
  3. Pathogenic factors
  4. Pathogenicity of streptococcal infections
  5. Diseases and immunity.
  6. Microbiological diagnosis.
  7. Antimicrobial treatment.
  8. *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. Morphology, biology, biochemical production and antigenic structure. Pathogenesis, diseases and immunity. Microbiological.
  
3. Gram-negative bacteria causing air-borne infections. *Haemophilus influenzae*. Morphology, biology, antigenic structure. Pathogenic factors. Diseases. Immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. The causative agent of Whooping cough (*Bordetella pertussis*). Morphology, biology.
  
4. Pathogenic factors. Pathogenicity and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. *Neisseria meningitidis*. Morphology, biology. Pathogenic factors. Pathogenicity and clinical forms of meningococcal infection. Immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*. Morphology, biology. Pathogenic factors. Pathogenicity and clinical forms of gonococcal infection. Immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Prophylaxis and therapy.
  
5. Enterobacteriaceae family. Main groups enteric bacteria concerning their pathogenicity General characteristics – morphology, biology, antigenic structure, pathogenic factors. Opportunistic enteric bacteria – *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella*. Diseases. Microbiological diagnosis
  
6. *Salmonella*. General characteristics – morphology, biology, classification, antigenic structure, pathogenic factors, diseases, microbiological diagnosis. Dysentery (*Shigella* spp.). Characteristics and microbiological diagnosis. *Pseudomonas*. Morphology, biology, pathogenic factors. Diseases. Microbiological diagnosis. Therapeutically problems.
  
7. Causative agents of infections with high biological risk (*Yersinia pestis*). Morphology, biology, pathogenic factors. Pathogenesis and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. *Vibrio cholerae*. Morphology, biology, antigenic structure, serotypes. Pathogenic factors. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. Pathogenesis and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. *Bacillus anthracis*. Morphology, biology. Pathogenesis and clinical forms. Immunity. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. Microbiological diagnosis.
  
8. *Corynebacterium* spp. *Corynebacterium diphtheria*. Morphology, biology, pathogenic factors. Pathogenicity and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis of diphtheria Specific prophylaxis and therapy. Coryneforms (*C. jeikeum*, *C. urealyticum*, *C. amycolatum*, *C. pseudodiphtheriticum*). Clinical importance. Mycobacteria. *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. Morphology, biology. Pathogenicity, clinical forms and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. *Mycobacterium leprae*. Morphology, biology, pathogenesis, clinical forms. Microbiological diagnosis. Prophylaxis
  
9. Anaerobic spore-forming bacteria – genus *Clostridium*. General characteristics. Morphology, biology. *Clostridium tetani*. Toxin production. Pathogenicity and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Specific prophylaxis and therapy. The causative agents of gas gangrene (*C. perfringens*, *C. oedematiens*, *C. septicum*, and *C. histolyticum*). Pathogenic factors. Pathogenicity and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Prophylaxis and therapy. *Clostridium botulinum*. Toxin production. Pathogenesis and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. Prophylaxis and therapy.
  
10. Anaerobic non-spore forming bacteria. Anaerobic Gram-positive round- and rod-shaped bacteria. Genus *Peptostreptococcus*, *Propionibacterium*, *Lactobacillus* and *Eubacterium*. Anaerobic Gram-negative round- and rod shaped bacteria. Genus *Bacteroides*, *Fusobacterium*. The role of the anaerobic non-spore forming bacteria in the etiology of infectious processes in humans.
  
11. Spirochetes (*Spirochaetaceae*). General characteristics. The causative agent of syphilis (*Treponema pallidum*). Morphology and biology. Pathogenesis and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. *Leptospira* spp. Morphology and biology. Antigenic structure and serological types. Pathogenesis and immunity. Microbiological diagnosis. The causative agent of Lyme disease (*Borrelia burgdorferi*). Pathogenesis, immunity, microbiological diagnosis.

## **Viruses and viral infections**

1. Classification, general properties related to viral families, physical and chemical properties
2. Replication and cultivation of viruses
3. Host response to viral infections
4. Genetics
5. Molecular basis of pathogenesis
6. Latent and persistent infections
7. Epidemiology
8. Oncogenic viruses
9. Principles of cultivation, assay and laboratory diagnosis, laboratory safety
10. Pathogenic viruses: DNA viruses; RNA viruses
11. Viral syndromes, HIV/AIDS and other viral sexually transmitted diseases, emerging viral infections
12. Viral childhood fevers
13. Viral CNS infections
14. Viral skin manifestations
15. Prions and their disorders
16. Anti-retroviral agents and mechanisms of action

## **Viruses of Medical Importance**

1. Viruses of the CNS (Herpes. Entero, Polio and Rabies).
2. Retroviruses (HIV and AIDS, SARS-CoV 2, Zika, MERS).
3. Respiratory viruses (Influenza, RSV, Adeno, Echo and Coxsackie).
4. GIT viruses (Rota, Adeno, Norwalk, SRSVs).
5. Hemorrhagic viruses (Lassa, Marburg).
6. Prevention, Control and Eradication of Viral Diseases.

## **Mycology**

1. Classification of medically important fungi
2. Epidemiology, structure, pathogenesis, diagnosis, treatment and control of: superficial and cutaneous mycosis: dermatophytes and non dermatophytes; systemic, subcutaneous and deep mycoses, mycetoma, eumycetoma, yeast infections, candida and Cryptococcus, aspergillosis, mycotoxins.

## **Medical Parasitology**

- Definitions and terminology
- Taxonomy and classification of medically important parasites
- Life cycles, epidemiology, pathogenesis, host response, clinical manifestations, diagnosis, treatment and control of diseases caused by nematodes, cestodes and trematodes
- Life cycles, epidemiology, pathogenesis, host response, clinical manifestations, diagnosis, treatment and control of diseases caused by protozoan parasites including blood protozoa, gastrointestinal protozoa and tissue protozoa.
- Emerging parasitic disease in immuno-suppressive states (HIV / AIDS)
- Laboratory methods; collection and handling of clinical specimens, identification of pathogenic organisms.

## **Medical entomology**

- Medically important vectors of parasitic infections
- Ecology, physiology, population biodynamics, vectoral capacity and control
- Ectoparasites, blow flies, bot flies, venomous bites and stings
- Laboratory methods: Collection, handling of clinical specimens, identification of pathogenic organisms.

## Teaching Methods and Contact Hours

Lectures,  
Problem solving,  
Small group discussions,  
Case based education.

### Contact hours:

Lectures - 6 hours per week,  
Practical - 3 hours every 2 weeks  
Tutorial - 1 hour per week  
Seminars - 3 hours every 2 weeks

## Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Continuous assessment Tests -	35%
Laboratory/practical reports -	5%
<b>Final written examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Paper 1 - Essays and short notes-	30%
Paper 2 – Multiple choice questions-	20%
Final Oral examination -	10%

## Recommended Text Books

1. Brostoff, R. (1996) Immunology, 4th Edition, Mosby, London.
2. White, D.O. and Fenner, F.J. (1994) Medical Virology, 4th Edition. Academic Press, London. ISBN: 0-12-746642-8.
3. Beaver P.C., Jung R.C., Cupp, E.W., (1984). Clinical Parasitology. Lea and Ferbiger, Philadelphia. ISBN 0-471-93100.
4. Sherris, J.C. et. al. (1990). Medical Microbiology: An Introduction to Infectious Diseases, 2nd Edition, Elsevier, New York. ISBN: 0-444--01508-6.

## (2) Course title: Pathology

<b>Credit hours:</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Contact hours:</b>	<b>195</b>
<b>Practical/Clinical Round:</b>	<b>270</b>

### Introduction

General pathology introduces the fundamental principles of disease mechanism and processes, histopathological nomenclature; which are applied to understand the etiology, pathogenesis and pathophysiology of systemic diseases.

This course has three components: general and systemic pathology, haematology, and chemical pathology. General and systemic pathology: the fundamental principles of disease mechanism and processes- histopathologic nomenclature, which are applied to understand the aetiology, pathogenesis and pathophysiology of systemic diseases. Haematology, provides the student with an understanding of the principles and concepts of various haematological processes in health and disease. The chemical pathology component provides the student with an understanding of biochemical changes and their effects in disease processes, this part also equips the student with knowledge and skills in chemical pathology as used in the diagnosis, therapy and monitoring of pathological and normal conditions.

### Course aim

To apply the principles and concepts of general pathology in health and disease of systems and impart knowledge and skills in general pathology.

### Learning outcomes/Course Objectives

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

1. Define pathological terminologies used to describe disease mechanism and processes.

2. Describe changes in tissue inflammation, healing and repair processes.
3. Explain the etiology and pathogenesis of edema, thrombosis, shock, immune disorders and neoplasia.
4. Recognise tissue changes in varying pathologies on histology and gross organ appearance.
5. Explain the aetiology, pathogenesis and pathophysiology of systemic diseases
6. Describe the physiology and functions of blood cells.
7. Describe disorders of the blood cells, including their etiology, pathogenesis and laboratory diagnosis.
8. Perform laboratory investigations on patients with haematological disorders and suggestions of further complimentary investigation.
9. Recognise the common disorders of red and white cells from examination of blood films.
10. Describe the physiology of blood and blood cells competently.
11. Explain the biochemical changes and their effects in disease processes.
12. Perform valid techniques to critically evaluate and interpret results from such techniques in chemical pathology.
13. Elucidate the mechanisms of disease based on development, structure and disturbed function.
14. Classify the causes of disease at the cellular, organ and systemic levels
15. Describe the types of injury at cellular, tissue and organ levels.
16. Illustrate the morphology of cellular injury and adaptation.
17. Define inflammation and its types and mechanisms.
18. Describe possible complications of inflammation in disease.
19. Outline the healing mechanisms and its complications.
20. Enumerate the modifying factors to the healing process.

## **Course content**

### **Introduction to General Histopathology**

1. Definition of pathology.
2. Aspects of Disease

### **Cause (aetiology).**

1. Mechanism of development (pathogenesis).
2. Structural alterations (morphology).
3. Functional consequences of the above as observed clinically.

### **Cellular Changes**

1. Definitions and causes of cellular injury and adaptation.
2. Cellular injury - causes: hypoxia physical, chemical infections, Immunologic, genetic derangement, nutritional imbalances.

### **Mechanisms.**

1. Hypoxic injury (reversible/irreversible)/free radicals.
2. Viral injury

### **Morphology of injured cells**

1. Reversible - cellular swelling, fatty change.
2. Irreversible- necrosis
3. Cellular adaptation - atrophy hypertrophy hyperplasia, metaplasia.
4. Intracellular accumulations and other alterations.
5. Fatty change
6. Dystrophic calcification
7. Proteins
8. Metastatic calcification
9. Glycogen
10. Hyaline change
11. Carbon
12. Lipofuscin
13. Melanin
14. Haemosiderin

### **Inflammation**

1. Definition.
2. Types of inflammation.
3. Acute inflammation.
4. Features.

5. Definition of terms used: exudation, transudation, edema, pus.
6. Major events in inflammation: vascular flow and caliber, leucocyte
7. Chemical mediators (vasoactive amines, complement system, kinin system, clotting system, arachidonic acid and metabolites, platelet activating factor, cytokines).
8. Outcomes of inflammation.
9. Chronic Inflammation features.
10. Types: including granulomatous diseases.

### **Healing and Repair**

1. Healing surgical wound as an example.
2. Repair regeneration - cell types (labile, stable, and permanent) /replacement - connective tissue.
3. Mechanisms of repair (growth factors, cell-cell-matrix interaction, EC matrix synthesis and collagenisation).
4. Modifying factors (blood supply, nutritional status, infection, drug intake, white cell count).

### **Fluid and Haemodynamic Derangements**

1. Oedema
  - Definition
  - Causes (clinical) – Systemic: cardiac failure, renal and hepatic disease
  - Causes (clinical) – Localized: organ - specific
2. Hyperemia and congestion.
3. Thrombosis - normal hemostasis (vascular wall, platelets, clotting factors).
4. Thrombogenesis – mechanism, morphology and fate of thrombi.
5. Shock
  - Definition
  - Clinical types
  - Pathophysiology
  - Morphology

### **Immunopathology**

1. AIDS.
2. Possible Immune Disorders (amyloidosis, sarcoidosis).
3. Autoimmune disorders.
4. Tissue Transplant Incompatibility (rejection).

### **Neoplasia**

1. Nomenclature - based on tissue type - benign/malignant - characteristics.
2. Predisposition - race, age, heredity, pre-neoplastic disorders.
3. Carcinogenesis - chemicals, radiation, viral oncogenesis.
4. Oncogenes and Anti Oncogenes.
5. Laboratory diagnosis of cancer.

### **Disorders of Blood Vessels and Lymphatics**

1. Arteries.
2. Atherosclerosis
3. Vasculitis.
4. Aneurysms.
5. Veins.
6. Thromboses.
7. Tumours.

### **The Heart**

#### **Cardiac Failure**

1. Hypertension and the heart.
2. Cor pulmonale.
3. Other causes.
4. Ischaemic heart disease.
5. Rheumatic heart disease.
6. Myocarditis.
7. Endocarditis.
8. Cardiomyopathy.

## **The Respiratory System**

1. Pulmonary infections.
2. Bacterial
3. Non-bacterial
4. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.
5. Emphysema
6. Bronchitis
7. Asthma
8. Chronic restrictive pulmonary disease.
9. Bronchiectasis
10. Interstitial fibrosis
11. Pneumoconiosis.
12. Tumours.
13. Benign
14. Malignant

## **Lymphoreticular System**

1. Lymphomas – classification and diagnosis of non-Hodgkin's and Hodgkin's disease.
2. Plasma cell dyscrasias and related disorders.

## **Gastrointestinal System**

### **Oesophagus**

1. Congenital anomalies (achalasia, hiatal hernia and others).
2. Lacerations.
3. Varices.
4. Inflammation – including Barrett's oesophagus.

### **Stomach**

1. Inflammation – acute/chronic; Helicobacter gastritis and other forms.
2. Polyps.
3. Tumours – benign/malignant (epithelial, lymphoid).

### **Small intestine**

1. Inflammation: infective/non-infective (including Crohn's disease).
2. Malabsorption syndromes.
3. Tumours: malignant (epithelial, lymphoid).

### **Colon**

1. Inflammation: ulcerative colitis, pseudo-membranous colitis and others.
2. Tumors: polyps and polyposis syndromes; malignant tumors - (epithelial, lymphoid).

### **Appendix**

1. Inflammation.
2. Tumours (carcinoid).

## **Liver, Biliary Tract and Exocrine Pancreas**

### **Liver.**

1. Viral hepatitis (A to E)
2. Cirrhosis (alcoholic, post-necrotic, pigment, biliary, AIAT, Wilson's disease)
3. Primary sclerosing cholangitis
4. Tumours: benign/malignant

### **Biliary tract.**

1. Cholelithiasis
2. Cholecystitis
3. Tumours: benign/malignant (epithelial)

### **Pancreas.**

1. Inflammation: acute/chronic
2. Tumours: benign (cysts, adenoma) and malignant (epithelial)

## **Urinary System**

### **Kidney.**

1. Cystic disease

2. Glomerular diseases: primary glomerulonephritis, secondary glomerular diseases
3. Pyelonephritis
4. Tumours; benign, malignant, Wilm's tumour

#### **Urinary bladder.**

1. Inflammation – acute/chronic
2. Tumours – benign/malignant
3. Pelvis/ureter – tumours

#### **Male Genital System**

##### **Testis.**

1. Inflammation – specific, non-specific, granulomatous
2. Tumours – WHO classification, clinical features, histology

##### **Prostate.**

1. Inflammation
2. Nodular hyperplasia
3. Tumours – malignant (epithelial)

#### **Female Genital System**

##### **Vulva.**

1. Dystrophy
2. Dysplasia
3. Tumours including Paget's disease

##### **Vagina.**

1. Tumours (epithelial, non-epithelial)

##### **Cervix.**

1. Inflammation – acute/chronic
2. Tumours – malignant (epithelial)

#### **Body of uterus and endometrium.**

1. Adenomyosis, endometriosis
2. Leiomyoma
3. Hyperplasia
4. Sarcomas

##### **Ovary.**

1. Inflammation – acute/chronic
2. Tumours – benign/malignant (epithelial)

##### **Breast.**

1. Inflammation – acute/chronic
2. Fibrocystic disease and other non-neoplastic disorders
3. Tumours: Benign – fibroadenoma, papilloma, phylloides tumour
4. Malignant – epithelial including Paget's

#### **Endocrine System**

##### **Pituitary**

1. Hyper/hypo – pituitarism
2. Tumours

##### **Thyroid**

1. Hyper/hypo – thyroidism
2. Thyroiditis
3. Goitre
4. Tumours: benign/malignant (including lymphomas)

Parathyroid: Hyper/hypo – parathyroidism

Adrenal – cortex: Hyper/hypofunction and medulla: tumours.

Thymus – tumours.

Pineal gland – tumours.

## The Skin

1. Naevi
2. Tumours – malignant: epithelial, melanoma

## Musculoskeletal System

1. Infections – pyogenic/non-pyogenic.
2. Osteomalacia / osteoporosis.
3. Hyperparathyroidism.
4. Renal osteodystrophy and other conditions including Paget's.
5. Diseases affecting joints.
6. Diseases affecting muscle.

## Nervous System

1. Infections.
2. Intracranial haemorrhage / cerebral trauma.
3. Tumours: CNS / Peripheral NS.

## Teaching/Training Methods

Lectures - 4 hour per week  
Seminars - 2 hours per week  
Laboratory Practical- 6 hours per week  
Lectures  
Tutorials  
Small group teaching  
Web/ICT learning.

## Assessment Method

<b>Continuous Assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Tests-	20%
Assignments-	10%
Seminars-/portfolio-	10%
<b>Final examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written-	40%
Practical-	15%
Final Oral Examination-	5%

## Recommended Text Books

1. Macsween R. (1996). Muir's Textbook of Pathology. Edward Arnold. London.
2. Robbins SL and Kumar V (1996). Basic Pathology. WB Saunders Co. London.
3. Pallister CJ (1994). Blood Physiology and Pathophysiology. Butterworth- Heinemann. Oxford.
4. Hoffbrand AV and Pettit JE (2006). Essential Haematology (6th Edition). Blackwell Scientific Publications, Oxford.
5. Dacie JV and Lewis SM (2006). Medical Laboratory Haematology (2nd Edition). Butterworth-Heinemann, Oxford.
6. Luxton RW (1997). Fundamentals of Clinical Biochemistry Explained (ed. Pallister CJ). Butterworth-Heinemann. Oxford.
7. Kumar, Abbas and Fautso (2005). Robbins Basic Pathologic Basis of Disease. WB Saunders. Philadelphia. ISBN: 0-8089-2302-1.
8. Burtis CA and Ashwood ER (1998). Tietz Textbook of Clinical Chemistry (4th Edition). WB Saunders, Philadelphia. ISBN: 0721637639. London.
9. Thomson and Douglas A. (1990). Lecture notes on Pathology. Blackwell Scientific. London.
10. Dolinak D, Matshes E and Lew E. (2005). Forensic Pathology – Principles and Practice. Elsevier Academic Press. London, Burlington & California. ISBN-13: 978-0-12- 219951-6 and ISBN-10: 0-12-219951-0.
11. Simmons A (1997). Haematology. Butterworth-Heinemann, Oxford.
12. Nguyen DT and Diamond LT (1999). Diagnostic Haematology. Butterworth- Heinemann, Oxford.

13. Fleming AF (1995). Haematological Diseases in the Tropics in Manson's Tropical Diseases (20th Edition). WB Saunders, Philadelphia.
14. Zilva TF, Pannall RP and Mayne PD (1988). Clinical Chemistry in Diagnosis and Treatment (5th Edition). Lloyd-Luke Medical Books. London.
15. Luxton RW (1997). Fundamentals of Clinical Biochemistry Explained (ed. Pallister CJ). Butterworth-Heinemann. Oxford.

### **(3) Course title: Clinical Pharmacology**

<b>Credit hours:</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Contact hours:</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Practical/Clinical Round:</b>	<b>180</b>

#### **9.22.1. Introduction:**

The course imparts the student with an understanding of fundamental concepts of pharmacology to enable the student appreciate the pharmacology and therapeutic applications of drugs acting on the systems of the body. It will also enable the student to understand the principles of pharmacotherapy in particular the emerging of antimicrobial resistance, side effects of drugs and effects of drug interactions.

#### **9.22.2. Course Aim**

1. To provide the student with a thorough understanding of the fundamental concepts of pharmacology
2. To enable the student to describe the pharmacology and therapeutic applications of drugs acting on various systems.
3. To provide the student with a sound understanding of the principles of rational pharmacotherapy and containment of antimicrobial resistance.

#### **9.22.3. Course Objectives/Learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

1. Describe the principles and applications of pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics.
2. Describe the process of chemical transmission in the autonomic nervous and central nervous system.
3. Explain drug mechanisms with regards to their beneficial and harmful effects.
4. Describe the treatment of specific diseases.
5. Describe drug interactions during treatment, beneficial and harmful.
6. Apply the general principles of prescribing effective, safe, cost- effective therapeutic drugs.
7. Describe the stewardship of preventing antimicrobial resistance (AMR).
8. Write a prescription

#### **9.22.4. Course Competences**

1. Define terminologies used in pharmacology and therapeutics.
2. Describe the advantages and disadvantages of the routes of drug administration.
3. Elucidate the mechanisms of how drugs move across the cell membrane.
4. Understand and explain the importance of drug monitoring in clinical practice.
5. Identify drug actions on specific body systems along with their possible complications.
6. Demonstrate knowledge and safety of drug combinations in clinical practice.

#### **9.22.5. Course Content**

##### **9.22.5.1 General Pharmacology**

1. Introduction to the pharmacological basis of therapeutics.
2. Common terminologies used in pharmacology and therapeutics.
3. Different routes of drug administration, their advantages and disadvantages.
4. The process of new drug development, including preclinical studies and clinical trials.

##### **9.22.5.2 Pharmacokinetics**

1. The clinical significance of the membrane transport process; absorption and distribution of drugs.
2. Significance of drug bioavailability.

3. The clinical significance of drug metabolism and excretion.
4. Clinical usefulness of drug therapeutics monitoring.

#### **9.22.5.3 Pharmacodynamics**

1. Mechanism of drug action
2. Discuss receptor pharmacology.
3. Factors that modify drug action
4. 4. Understanding individual variations in response to drugs.

#### **9.22.5.4 Autonomic Pharmacology**

1. The organization and function of Autonomic Nervous System (ANS).
2. Neuro-humoral transmission.
3. ANS regulation of different functions of the body.

#### **9.22.5.5 Cholinergic and anti-cholinergic drugs**

1. Cholinergic receptors and transmission.
2. 2. Clinical pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of cholinergic agonists and anticholinesterases.
3. 3. Clinical pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of anticholinergic drugs.

#### **9.22.5.6. Adrenoceptor agonists and antagonists**

1. Adrenoceptors and adrenergic transmission.
2. Clinically relevant pharmacology and therapeutic uses of alpha and beta adrenoceptor agonists (Sympathomimetic).
3. Clinically relevant pharmacology and therapeutic uses of alpha and beta adrenoceptor antagonists (Antiadrenergic drugs).
4. Drugs used to treat glaucoma

#### **9.22.5.7 Drugs acting on the Central nervous system**

1. Introduction to the CNS Pharmacology
2. Drugs for neurodegenerative diseases
3. General and local anaesthetics and skeletal muscle relaxants
4. Sedative-hypnotics and anxiolytic drugs
5. Antidepressants
6. Antipsychotic drugs
7. Antiepileptic drugs
8. Opioid analgesics and antagonists
9. Drugs of abuse
10. CNS stimulants
11. Ethyl and methyl alcohol

#### **9.22.5.8 Drugs Acting on the Cardiovascular System**

##### **9.22.5.8.1. Drug management of cardiac dysrhythmias**

1. Classification of antiarrhythmic drugs.
2. Clinical pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of antiarrhythmic drugs.
3. Choice of drugs for different types of atrial and ventricular arrhythmias.

##### **9.22.5.8.2. Drug management of heart failure**

1. Pharmacologic actions: pharmacokinetics, adverse effects, precautions, contraindications, Interactions, therapeutic uses of cardiac glycosides.
2. The use of other drugs in cardiac failure.
3. Drug and non-drug management of cardiac failure.

##### **9.22.5.8.3 Drug management of angina pectoris**

1. Classification of antianginal agents.
2. Pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of antianginal agents.
3. Drug therapy of myocardial infarction.

#### **9.22.5.8.4 Drug management of hypertension**

1. Classification of antihypertensive drugs.
2. Pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of antihypertensive drugs
3. Drug and non-drug management of hypertension
4. Identify the drugs of choice in patients with other co-existing conditions
5. Drug management of hypertensive emergencies

#### **9.22.5.8.5 Drug management of hyperlipidemia**

1. Classification of hyperlipidemic drugs
2. Clinical pharmacology of different hyperlipidemic drugs
3. Therapeutic uses of hyperlipidemic agents
4. Outline the drugs and non-drug management of hyperlipidemia

#### **9.22.5.9 Endocrine System**

1. Pituitary-hypothalamic axis
2. Thyroid hormones
3. Reproductive hormones-testosterone, estrogen, progesterone, contraceptives
4. Drugs therapy of diabetes
5. Corticosteroids
6. Oxytocin and drugs acting on uterus
7. Drugs affecting calcium balance.
8. Drugs used in the management of erectile dysfunction.

#### **9.22.5.10. Drugs Acting on Respiratory System**

##### **9.22.5.10. 1. Drug management of bronchial asthma**

1. Classification of drugs used for bronchial asthma
2. Clinically relevant pharmacology of drugs used in bronchial asthma
3. Drug management of bronchial asthma
4. Management of status asthmatics

##### **9.22.5.10. 2. Anti-tussive drugs and mucolytic agents**

1. Anti-tussive and mucolytic drugs
2. Clinical pharmacology and uses of anti-tussive and mucolytic agents

#### **9.22.5.11. Drugs acting on the gastro-intestinal System**

##### **9.22.5.11.1 Drug management of peptic ulcer disease & gastro-esophageal reflux disease**

1. Mechanism of action, adverse effects, and therapeutic usefulness of different drugs used in peptic ulcer management.
2. Drugs used for management of Helicobacter pylori infection
3. Drug and non-drug management of peptic ulcer
4. Drugs used for gastroesophageal reflux disease

##### **9.22.5.11.2 Emetics and Anti-emetics**

1. Classification of anti-emetics
2. Clinically relevant pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of anti-emetics

##### **9.22.5.11.3 Anti-diarrhoeal drugs**

1. General principles of management depending on the nature and severity of diarrhea: treatment of fluid depletion, maintenance of nutrition, and drug therapy.
2. Intravenous and oral rehydration therapies
3. Describe the clinical pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of drugs used in symptomatic relief of diarrhea.

##### **9.22.5.11.4 Laxatives**

1. Classification of laxatives

2. Clinically relevant pharmacology and use of laxatives

### **9.22.5.12. Inflammation and Allergy**

#### **9.22.5.12.1 Local hormones (autacoids) and mediators of inflammation**

1. Actions of histamine, 5-hydroxytryptamine (serotonin), prostaglandins, leukotrienes and platelet activating factor

#### **9.22.5.12.2. Drugs used to suppress inflammatory & immune reactions**

1. Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)
2. Pharmacology, adverse effects and therapeutic uses of NSAIDs, and acetaminophen.
3. Clinically relevant pharmacology, including adverse effects and uses of drugs used for rheumatoid arthritis and gout
4. Pharmacology and use of antipyretic drugs

### **9.22.5.13. Blood**

#### **9.22.5.13.1. Drugs that affect hemostasis & thrombosis**

1. Pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of vitamin K and other agents
2. Mechanism of action, indications, adverse effects, interactions, precautions/contraindications of parenteral and oral anticoagulants
3. Clinical pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of fibrinolytic drugs (thrombolytic), antifibrinolytics, and antiplatelet agents

#### **9.22.5.13.2 Drug management of anemia**

1. Pharmacologic and therapeutic uses of drugs used in the treatment of different types of anemia

### **9.22.5.14. Chemotherapy**

#### **9.9.5.14.1. General issues relating to chemotherapy**

1. General principles of rational antimicrobial therapy, including the importance of accurate diagnosis and selection of the appropriate agent
2. The importance of rapid diagnostic tests for quick and proper management of infections, and locally available tests
3. Principles of rational use of antimicrobials for prophylaxis
4. The problem of widespread overprescribing and inappropriate prescribing of antimicrobials and list factors responsible for such practices
5. Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and multidrug resistance (MDR) and the mechanism of AMR
6. Diseases of major public health importance for which AMR is an issue (TB, malaria, pneumonia,
7. bacillary dysentery, STI, HIV/AIDS)
8. The role of effective immunization programs in reducing infectious disease burden and AMR

#### **9.22.5.14.2 Anti-bacterial agents**

1. Classification of antibacterial agents according to their mechanism of action
2. The antibacterial spectrum, mechanism of action, clinically relevant pharmacokinetics, adverse effects and use of sulfonamides, cotrimoxazole, beta-lactam antibiotics (penicillins, cephalosporin, monobactams, and carbapenems), quinolones, tetracyclines, chloramphenicol, aminoglycosides, macrolides, clindamycin, vancomycin, and other newer antibacterial agents

#### **9.22.5.14.3 Anti-viral agents**

1. Antiviral agents and discuss their mechanism of action, clinically relevant pharmacology, adverse effects and uses

#### **9.22.5.14.4 Anti-fungal agents**

1. Antifungal agents and discuss their mechanism of action, clinically relevant pharmacology, adverse effects and uses

#### **9.22.5.14.5 Anti-protozoal agents**

1. Mechanism of action, pharmacology, adverse effects and uses anti-protozoal, antiamoebics
2. Classification of anti-malarial agents and discuss their mechanisms of action, clinically relevant pharmacokinetics, and adverse effects
3. Nationally-recommended management of malaria

#### **9.22.5.14.6 Anti-helminthic agents**

1. Mechanism of action, pharmacology, adverse effects and uses of anthelmintic agents
2. First choice and alternative drugs used for different types of helminths

#### **9.22.5.14.7 Drug management of HIV/AIDS**

1. Classification of: antiretroviral agents and their mechanism of action, relevant pharmacokinetics, adverse effects and important drug interactions, teratogenic effects
2. Nationally-recommended management of HIV and AIDS
3. Post-exposure and prenatal prophylaxis of HIV infection
4. Pre-exposure prophylaxis

#### **9.22.5.14.8 Drug management of tuberculosis**

1. First and second line anti-tuberculosis drugs; their mechanism of action, pharmacokinetics, adverse effects and interactions
2. Nationally-recommended management of tuberculosis, including MDR tuberculosis

#### **9.22.5.14.9 Drug management of cancer**

1. Cancer chemotherapy/oncology
2. Classification of anticancer drugs; their salient pharmacological features, including their uses and adverse effects
3. General principles of cancer chemotherapy

#### **9.22.5.15. General Topics and Therapeutics**

1. Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM)
2. EBM and its importance in attaining rational use of therapeutics.
3. Principles of rational prescribing and monitoring drug therapy (as recommended in the WHO Guide to Good Prescribing).
4. Selecting and prescribing medicines appropriately as recommended in the WHO book "Guide to Good Prescribing".
5. Effective communication with and counseling of patients/caregivers regarding use of medicines, adherence to treatment, responsible self-medication, and infection prevention.

#### **9.22.5.16. Prescribing for children, pregnant women, lactating mothers, and the elderly**

1. Principles of prescribing for special groups of patients such as children, pregnant women, lactating mothers, and the elderly

#### **9.22.5.17. Pharmacovigilance**

1. Pharmacovigilance-related issues such as adverse drug reaction (ADR), medication errors, and poor drug quality.
2. The role of prescribers in addressing such issues and promoting drug safety
3. Mechanisms of drug interactions and their clinical implications

#### **9.22.5.18. Management of drug overdose and poisoning**

1. General principles of management of drug overdose and poisoning
2. The management of overdose and poisoning with selected drugs and poisons

#### **9.22.5.19. South Sudan Essential Medicines List, and Formulary and their role in rational use of medicines**

1. Standard treatment guidelines/drug formularies/essential drugs lists, and locally produced documents and their role in promoting rational use of drugs
2. Antimicrobial resistance (factors contributing to AMR; impact of AMR; global and local examples of AMR; strategies to contain AMR)
3. Key factors contributing to emergence and spread of AMR
4. Individual and public health consequences of AMR
5. Selected local and global examples/case stories of AMR, including MDR (e.g., in TB, malaria, HIV/AIDS, hospital-acquired infections, STIs, etc)
6. The role of prescribers in containing AMR such as judicious antimicrobial prescribing, patient education, hospital infection control activities, and use of AMR surveillance information to guide prescribing
7. The role of prescribers as agents for awareness and advocacy on issues such as Substandard/counterfeit drugs, use of antimicrobials for growth promotion in animals, and overall AMR containment

### 9.22.5.20. Factors influencing prescribing and critical analysis of promotional literature

1. Factors influencing prescribing
2. Promotional drug information provided by pharmaceutical industry

#### Teaching Methods and Contact Hours

Small group teaching

Lecturers

Seminars

Practicals

Web/ICT Teaching

#### Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Continuous assessment Tests -	35%
Laboratory/practical reports -	5%
<b>Final written examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Paper 1 - Essays and short notes	30%
Paper 2 -Multiple choice questions	20%
Final Oral examination -	10%

#### Recommended Text Books

1. H. Rang, M. Dale, J. Ritter and R. Flower, (2007) Pharmacology, 6th Edition
2. D.R. Laurence, P. N. Bennet and M. J. Brown, (2004) Clinical Pharmacology, 10th Edition
3. Bertram G. Katzung (2004), Basic and Clinical Pharmacology 10th Edition
4. Goodman & Gillman's, (2005) The Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics, 11th Edition
5. Laurence Brunton, John Lazo and Keith Parker
6. WHO, (1994) Guide to Good Prescribing: A Practical Manual. Geneva
7. WHO (2001) Global Strategy for Containment of Antimicrobial Resistance. Geneva.
8. K.D Tripathi, (2018) Essentials of Medical Pharmacology, 8th Edition
9. Satoskar, SD Bhandarkar, SS Ainapure, (2020) Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapy 26<sup>th</sup> Edition
10. RA Harvey and PC Champe, Lippincott pharmacology

#### **14.4. Sub Specialty (Minor Clinical Subjects/Courses: Semester IX & X (5<sup>th</sup> yr)**

**Courses to be taught: Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine and Toxicology, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology (ENT), Dermatology and Venerology, Orthopedics and Traumatology, Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine, Radiology and Medical Imaging, Psychiatry and Mental Health, Molecular Medicine, Pediatrics and Child Health, Reproductive Health and Obstetrics& Gynaecology, Internal Medicine and Surgery**

**Credit hours: 100**

**Contact hours: 555**

**Practicals/Clinical Rounds: 2,790**

##### **(1)Course title: Forensic Medicine and Toxicology**

**Credit hours: 4**

**Contact hours: 30**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 90**

##### **Introduction**

This course introduces the student to the interface of medical and legal practice through explaining the role of the medical doctor in courts of law, also, expose the students to medical ethics, medico-legal issues and principles of toxicology. The course spells out specific legal definitions which a doctor must know when handling cases with medico-legal issues. Preparing the student to be an ethical and credible witness in court cases.

##### **Course Aim**

To equip the student with skills to manage medico-legal issues, plan, implement and evaluate medical jurisprudence issues as well as basic knowledge of toxicology.

##### **Course Objectives/Learning Objectives**

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

- a) Understand and interpret forensic wounds
- b) Filling of legal forms (e.g. form 8).
- c) Attend post-mortem examination and prepare autopsy reports;
- d) Learn medico-legal procedures
- e) Outline medical ethics as prescribed by the Medical Council of South Sudan.
- f) Learn basic principles of Forensic Toxicology.

##### **Course Competencies**

- Define medico-legal terms and their applications
- Prepare medical evidence for the courts.
- Outline the ethical principles of medical practice.
- Outline the interface of applied health ethics and research
- Identify the features used in human identification and their legal interpretations.
- Interpret investigations in medico-legal cases
- Exercise discipline and precision during post-mortems of medico-legal significance.
- Describe features in death, decomposition and skeletal remains of medico-legal significance.
- Identify weapons by their effects on human tissue and organs.
- Outline the principles of General Forensic Toxicology.
- Identify common causes of poisoning

# Course Content

## 1. Legal Procedures

- Summons and subpoena
- Medical evidence
- Witnesses
- Procedure in court
- Conduct of the Doctor in court

## 2. Medical Jurisprudence

- Medical Council of South Sudan
- Ethical aspects of medical practice
- Legal aspects of medical practice
- Doctors and medical records (Irrelevant)
- Consent and Confidentiality.
- Medical negligence
- Biomedical waste management
- Ethics and medical research

## 3. Identification

- Sex
- Race
- Age
- Age estimation in infants, children and adults
- Stature

## 4. Forensic Osteology

- Skull
- Mandible.
- Femur
- Fibula
- Numerus
- Radius
- Ulna
- Sternum
- Scapula
- Clavicle
- Pelvis and Hip bone
- Sacrum

## 5. DNA profiling

- Basic consideration
- Typing
- Application of DNA profiling
- DNA evidence
- Collection, preservation and forwarding of sample

## 6. Forensic Odontology.

## 7. Medico-legal autopsy (All types of autopsies i.e., medicolegal and hospital autopsies)

- Autopsy procedure
- Laboratory procedure
- Fetal autopsy
- Exhumation
- Autopsy Artefacts

## 8. Death and changes after death

- Types of death
- Brain death (Is part of types of death)
- Death certification

- Apparent death (Is a confusing title)
- Modes of death
- Manner of death
- Changes after death
- Forensic entomology
- Sudden Natural death

## 9. Wounds

- Physics of wounding Mechanical injury
- Abrasion wound
- Contusion wound
- Laceration wound
- Incision wound
- Chop wound
- Stabwound
- Fractures

## 10. Firearm injuries and bomb blasts injuries

- Firearm injuries
- Smoothbore firearms
- Rifled firearms
- Wound ballistics (It include gunshot wounds).
- Gunshot wounds (Repetition).
- Autopsy examination
- Explosions and bomb blasts injuries

## Forensic Toxicology

- General principles of toxicology.
- Examples of common poisoning.

### Teaching/Training Methods and Contact Hours

Lectures - 2 hours per week

Practical - 3 hours per week

### Assessment

<b>Continuous Assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Assignment -	20%
Tests -	20%

<b>Final Examination-</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written Examination -	40%
Practical -	15%
Final Oral exam -	5%.

### Recommended Text Books

1. C.J. Polson (1962). The essentials of forensic medicine. London.
2. N.J. Modi (1977). Medical jurisprudence and Toxicology.
3. Glaister (1966). The Pathology of Homicide.
4. B. Knight (1975). Forensic Medicine.
5. Lester Adelson (1974). The pathology of Homicide.
6. Keith Simpson (1968). Medical Jurisprudence.
7. Taylor (1948). Principles and practice of medical jurisprudence.
8. Simpson's Forensic Medicine 13th Edition

**(2)Course title: Community Medicine**

**Credit hours: 19**

**Contact hours: 225**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 90**

**Semester it is taught: SII&IV (Credit hours: 10, Contact hours: 120, Practical: 90)**

**SVII (Credit hours: 7, Contact hours: 75, Practical: 0)**

**S IX (Credit hours: 2, Contact hours: 2, Practical: 0)**

**Introduction**

This course encompasses the principles of epidemiology, demography, biostatistics and research and their application in the health care delivery system for the betterment of community health at local, regional and international level.

The students will learn how to develop a research oriented perspective in solving health problems in the communities. They will also learn how to design disease prevention and control strategies, health education and promotion, surveillance and managing pandemics. The topics covered will include study design, measures of diseases occurrence and associations, diagnostic tests and demography.

**Course Aim**

To equip student with the foundation of the principles of epidemiology, demography, and biostatistics and health research and orientate them on data handling, data analysis and data interpretation, and research study design, research protocol implementation and scientific paper writing.

**Learning outcomes /Course Objectives**

On successful completion of the course the student should be able to:

1. Define measures of morbidity/mortality.
2. List and describe the sources of epidemiological data.
3. Describe, with suitable examples, Bradford Hills' criteria of disease causation.
4. Describe and illustrate natural history of a disease with suitable examples (communicable and non-communicable).
5. Collect relevant clinical, psychosocial information from a patient and family, analyze and present to illustrate the natural history of a common disorder.
6. Advise relevant (psychosocial, cultural and economic context) promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative measures for the disorder.
7. Describe the need and uses of screening tests.
8. Differentiate between screening and diagnostic tests.
9. Calculate the sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value of tests given a set of data.
10. Describe the various types of epidemiological study designs, their application, and biases, statistical analyses, relative merits and demerits.
11. Define, calculate and interpret commonly used statistical methods.
12. Select and use appropriate diagrammatic representations of statistical data.
13. Define probability.
14. Define normal distribution.
15. Define bias, random error.
16. Describe methods of sampling and calculate sample size.
17. Carry out random and cluster sampling.
18. Describe the demographic pattern of the country.
19. Describe the sources of data and their merits for use and census in the Republic of South Sudan.
20. Describes statistics and its importance in medical practice
21. Informs public health decisions using applied statistics
22. Uses basic statistical approaches as applied to the medical field
23. Formulates an appropriate hypothesis
24. Selects an appropriate statistical test to test the hypothesis.
25. Uses statistical packages
26. Describe the common industrial and occupational diseases.
27. Describe the feasible methods of control of occupational diseases.

28. Describe the important features of the Workman Compensation Act and provision of health services and health insurance to industrial workers.

29. Describe the organization of health services at all levels and the School Health Programme.

30. Describe the concepts, components, principles of primary health care.

31. Describe natural and man-made disasters and disaster management.

32. Functions of various categories of workers at PHC.

33. Appreciate cost considerations in clinical and public health interventions.

### **Competencies**

1. Define epidemiology.
2. Understand the main principles of epidemiological research
3. Develop and implement a research proposal
4. Plan an epidemiologic study
5. Critically assess different research design
6. Familiarise with data analytic software SPSS, STATA etc.....
7. Interpret results from epidemiological studies
8. Apply knowledge of epidemiology to community health.

### **Course content:**

1. Definitions and key concepts in epidemiology
2. Definitions, scope in hospital, community, planning
3. Measures of morbidity/mortality
4. Rates: incidence, prevalence
5. Death rate
6. Crude rates/standardized rates
7. Fertility rates
8. Person years
9. Ratio
10. Proportions
11. Risk
12. Sources of epidemiological data
13. Causation of disease
14. Natural history of disease for communicable and non-communicable diseases.
15. Levels of disease prevention
16. Clinico-psycho-social case review
17. Principles of control of communicable disease
18. Principles of control of non-communicable disease
19. Measurement
20. Screening Tests
21. Diagnostic Tests
22. Cross sectional and case control studies
23. Longitudinal study
24. Case control study
25. Control trials
26. Measures of disease occurrence
  - Prevalence
  - Incidence
  - Attack rate
  - Case-fatality Rate
  - Adjusted measures.
27. Epidemiologic study design
  - Case control
  - Cohort
  - Cross-sectional studies
  - Ecological studies
28. Experimental study designs
29. Randomized control trials

30. Field trials and communities.

31. Errors

- Random Error
- Bias
- Systematic error
- Confounding
- Control for Confounding
- Interactions

### **A. Epidemiology of Communicable Diseases and Non-communicable Diseases.**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Describe the epidemiology of common communicable diseases.
2. Describe the epidemiology of common non-communicable diseases.
3. Describe the steps involved in investigating an epidemic.
4. Plan and investigate an epidemic of a communicable disease in a hospital/ community setting, and institute control measures.
5. Describe the immunization schedule and side effects of the immunizing agents.
6. Immunize a child.
7. Describe the cold chain and the importance of maintaining the cold chain.
8. Describe disease surveillance
9. Manage pandemics

### **Course Content**

#### **Concepts of Cause**

1. Necessary cause
2. Disease surveillance
3. Introduction,
4. Disease investigation,
5. Surveillance methods.

#### **Demography**

1. Population distribution and population pyramids
2. Population growth
3. Measures in demography: fertility rates, Mortality rates, growth rates

#### **Clinical Epidemiology**

- Introduction to Epidemiology
- Diagnostic Tests
- Characteristics of Screening Tests and Diagnostic Tests
- Sensitivity, specificity, predictive value and likelihood ratios
- Measuring Health & Disease
- Measuring disease frequency
- Using available information to measure health and disease
- Death rate

#### **Discuss the epidemiology of communicable and non-communicable diseases:**

1. Malaria
2. STDs / HIV/AIDS
3. Pulmonary Tuberculosis
4. Leprosy
5. COVID-19, Zika, respiratory viruses (SARS-CoV 2.MERS, SARS)
6. Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus
7. Poliomyelitis
8. Measles, Mumps & Rubella
9. Chicken, A.R.I.
10. Diarrheal Diseases

11. Infective Hepatitis
12. Kala azar
13. Arbo viral diseases
14. Filaria
15. Plague
16. Intestinal infestations
17. Investigation of an Epidemic
18. Immunity
19. Immunization schedule
20. Cold chain
21. Immunization for international travel
22. Surveillance of diseases
23. Nutritional disorders
24. RHD /CHD / hypertension
25. Cancers
26. Blindness
27. Road traffic accidents
28. Diabetes mellitus
29. Obesity

## **B. Biostatistics**

- Data and variables
- Descriptive statistics (tables, graphs, measurement of central tendency, measures of dispersion)
- Interval Estimation (confidence levels)
- Comparing means

### Introduction to hypothesis Testing

- a) Hypothesis formulation,
  - b) Significance level
  - c) Type-1 error
  - d) Type-2 error
  - e) Power of the test.
- T-test
  - Chi-square test
  - ANOVA
  - Regression analysis
  - Survival analysis
  - Computer application (EPI Info and SPSS, STATA).
  - Bio-statistics in medicine
  - Statistical methods
  - Frequency distribution
  - Measures of central tendency.
  - Proportions
  - Tabular & diagrammatic presentation of data probability
  - Normal distribution
  - Standard error estimation
  - Tests of significance
  - Alpha, beta error
  - Confidence interval
  - Bias/random errors
  - Sample size calculation
  - Sampling methods
  - Practical exercise in - random sampling - cluster sampling (EPI) Vital Statistics, census
  - Measures of association and effects
    - a) Odds ratio
    - b) Incidence (incidence risk, Incidence rate)
    - c) Attributable risk
    - d) Attributable fraction
    - e) Confidence levels

## **C. Occupational / Environmental Health**

### **Content**

1. Working environment, health hazards of industrial and agricultural workers
2. Common occupational lung diseases
3. Common occupational skin diseases and cancers
4. Principles of prevention of occupational diseases
5. Legal status in relation to Workman's Compensation Act
6. Employees' State Insurance Act
7. Practical exercise - visit to a factory
8. Foundational concepts and strategies for environmental and occupational health sciences and how they apply in different situations at varying scales
9. Hazards to health: chemical, microbial, physical health hazards ( in air,water,food, soil,and waste),interactions with biological genetic and health determinants.
10. Effect of cycles: nutrient, energy, hydrological in terms of sustainability and system dynamics
11. Nutrition: nutrition and malnutrition, energy balance, function of micronutrients, linkage between nutrition and health
12. Exposures: identification of strategies, evaluation, preventing and controlling exposures to health and safety hazards in occupational and environmental settings
13. Health risks: strategies to assess and ameliorate acceptable levels of environmental health risks
14. Vulnerability: factors affecting individual and population ( biological susceptibility, health or social disparities, cumulative health impacts
15. Values: equity, justice sustainability in issues related to health and the environment
16. Context: i). Environment: changing status of the natural ecosystem, human-altered environments, global-scale pollution, human global environmental damage on health, well-being and equity.  
ii) Systems: scope, scale, and dynamics of major systems on environmental health and their impact
17. Social context: Interaction of socioeconomic, political, cultural, behavioural and perceptual factors interact with environmental factors and affect health risks
18. Systems thinking: Relationships between structure and dynamics, environmental hazards, social context, vulnerability on health, wellbeing, equity
19. Food systems: Food production and distribution system food environment, food security
20. Stakeholders : power and inequities, needs, concerns, risk perceptions
21. Energy and human health; ethics of environmental and occupational health (EOH),EOH disciplines (toxicology, epidemiology, exposure science, ), ambient air pollution, pests and pests control, water and health, lead hazards, hazardous waste, food systems, nature and health, EOH disparities

## **D. Health Administration**

### **Content**

1. Planning and organizational set up of health services in South Sudan
2. Primary health care
3. Health team at District Hospital, Community Health Primary Health Centre
4. School health
5. Management of health resources
6. Voluntary and international agencies in health care
7. Natural and manmade disasters and disaster management

## **E. Health Economics**

### **Content**

1. Need of health economics
2. Methods of economic analyses in health

## **F. Health Research Ethics**

1. The Role of Research Ethics Committees/Institutional Review Boards (IRBs)/National Research Ethics Council
2. Declaration of Helsinki
3. Informed consent
4. Conflict of interest
5. Benefit of the subjects

6. Risks disclosure
7. Academic fraud and plagiarism
8. Belmont Report
9. Nuremburg Declaration

## G. Reproductive Health

### Methods Teaching/Training

Lectures  
 Computer labs for data analytic software programs and dummy Data sets.  
 Group work  
 Individual projects  
 Seminars  
 ICT/Web-based learning  
 Lectures  
 Self-study  
 Seminar  
 Problem-Based Learning  
 E-Learning

### Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous Assessment:</b>	<b>40%</b>
Assignments:	10%
Group work and presentation:	10%
Written tests:	20%
<b>Final Examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written Papers: .....	60%

### Recommended Books

1. Friis, R. (2010), Epidemiology 101 (Essential Public Health). Jones & Bartlett Publishers.
2. CDC guide, Principles of Epidemiology 2nd Ed.
3. Bonita R., Beaglehole R. and Kjellstrom T. (2006). Basic Epidemiology 2nd Edition.
4. T. Kue Young. (1998) Population Health: Concepts & Methods. Oxford University Press, USA; 1st edition. ISBN-10: 019511972X | ISBN-13: 978- 0195119725.
5. R. Beaglehole, R. Bonita, T. Kjellström, (2007) Basic Epidemiology, World Health Organisation; London. ISBN-10: 9241547073 | ISBN-13: 978- 9241547079 available on line
6. Kenneth J. Rothman, Sander Greenland Timothy L. Lash,
7. Modern Epidemiology (2008), Baltimore, Saunders Elsevier. ISBN-10: 0781755646 | ISBN-13: 978-0781755641.
8. Antony Stewart, Klim McPherson Basic Statistics and Epidemiology: A Practical Guide. (2007). Radcliffe Medical Press; ISBN-10: 1846191963 | ISBN-13: 978-1846191961.
9. Robert R. Sakal and F. James Rohlf (2009). Introduction to Biostatistics 2nd Ed. Dover Publications, Inc. Mineola, New York
10. Larry Winner (2004). Introduction to Biostatistics. Department of Statistics University of Florida.
11. Charles H. et al., (2007). Understanding Basic Statistics. 4th Ed. ISBN13: 9780618632275; ISBN10: 0618632271.
12. Park, K. (1997), Preventive and Social Medicine, M/s Banarsidas Bhanot Publisher Jabalpur India.
13. Andre Francis (2004) Business Mathematics and Statistics (6th Edition) Nottingham: Thomson.
14. Johan Giesecke (1994) Modern Infectious Disease Epidemiology London Oxford University Press
15. Hardon, Anita et al. (1995) Applied Health Research Manual, Anthropology and Health Care (2nd Edition), Netherlands CIP-DATA KONKLUKE BIBLIOTEEK, DEN HAAG.
16. Saunders, Mark, Lewis Philip and Thornhill Adrian (2003) Research Methods for Business Students (3rd E London: Financial Times Prentice Hall.
17. Vaughan J. P. Manual of Epidemiology for District Health Management (1989) Geneva World Health Organisation.
18. CIOMS WHO, International Ethical Guidelines for Biomedical Research involving Human Subjects, (1983) Geneva, WHO.
19. Park K (1997). Preventive and Social Medicine. MS Banarsidas Bhanot Publisher Jabalpur.India
20. Vaughan JP. Manual of Epidemiology for District Health Management (1989), World Health Organisation, Geneva.
21. MacDonald E (Ed). Difficult conversations in medicine. Oxford University Press.

## Journals

1. American journal of Epidemiology
2. Journal of Epidemiology
3. Journals to be advised by course tutors

## Websites

1. [www.academic.com.pup.com-aje](http://www.academic.com.pup.com-aje)
2. [www.journals.elsevier.com](http://www.journals.elsevier.com)
3. [www.CDC.Journals of Epidemiology](http://www.CDC.Journals of Epidemiology)

## INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH AND RESEARCH CONCEPTS

1. Nature of research
2. Philosophical mode of research
3. Role of theory in research
3. Types of Research

### A. Planning and Conducting Research

1. Steps in planning research
2. Steps in conducting research
3. Problems in planning and conducting research

### B. Identifying Research Problem

1. Nature and origin of research question
2. Criteria for a research question
3. Problem identification and formulation
4. Sources of research problems
5. Ethical issues in research

### C. Literature Review

How to conduct literature review

### D. Research Proposal and Report Writing

Students are divided in groups where they develop the proposal, collect and analyse data and finally write a report/research article.

### E. Designing and Executing a Research Study

#### i) Classification of research designs

Surveys and clinical measurements  
Experimental, evaluation research and some qualitative designs

#### ii) Basic elements of research design

Case Series  
Cross Sectional Studies  
Case-Control Studies  
Cohort Studies  
Intervention studies (including randomised controlled trials) Follow-up patients in longitudinal studies  
The design of documentation for recording survey data.

#### iii) Sampling

Introduction to sampling  
Strategies for statistical representativeness.  
Strategies for theoretical representativeness.

Sampling error

#### **iv) Describing Clinical Data**

The variables  
Variation in clinical data  
Describing grouped data  
Choosing appropriate descriptive statistics  
Data collection methods

#### **v) Validity and Reliability of Data**

Fundamental definitions  
Forms of validity  
Forms of reliability  
Construction of valid questionnaires  
Methods for validating observational techniques

#### **vi) Analyzing Quantitative Data**

Basic concepts for inferential statistics  
Statistics  
Population and sample  
Type of measurement scale  
Frequency distribution and graphic presentation of data  
Measures of central tendency  
Measures of dispersion (Variability)  
Correlation: Scatter diagram, correlation of ranked data etc.  
Statistical distribution  
Estimations and confidence intervals  
Hypothesis testing procedure  
Application of confidence intervals and hypothesis testing  
Random and non – random sampling  
Definition and properties of probability  
2 X 2 table  
Rules of probability

#### **Vii) Ethics in Conducting Research**

Ethical consideration in research design.  
Ethics, governance and data protection  
Good Clinical Practice and informed consent  
Why should research be ethically regulated?  
What makes research ethical?  
Protecting participants individually and collectively  
Researching vulnerable groups and sensitive issues  
Research in developing countries

#### **Recommended Text Books**

1. DePoy E, Girtin LN (2005) Introduction to Research. 3rd Edition. London: Mosby.
2. Diamond, I. and Jefferies, J. (2002) Beginning Statistics: An introduction for social scientists. London: Sage Publications.
3. Aggrawal, Y. P. (1998). Statistical methods: concepts, application and computation. New Delhi: Sterling Publishers Private Limited.
4. Sim J, and Wright C (2000) Research in Health Care – Concepts, Designs and Methods. London: Stanley Thornes Ltd.

#### **Health Care Evaluation and Health Needs Assessment**

The uses of epidemiology and other methods in defining health service needs  
Study design for assessing effectiveness, efficiency and acceptability of services including measures of structure, process, service quality, and outcome of health care  
Measures of health status, quality of life and health care  
Population health outcome indicators  
Clinical audit

Confidential enquiry processes

### **1. Management**

Definition of management

Theories of management

Fredrick Taylor – Scientific Management

Elton Mayo

### **2. Management/Leadership Functions**

Planning

Organizing

Command

Coordinating

Control

Delegation

Decision making

Budgeting

Communication

### **3. Management team (team building)**

#### **4. Resource management**

Human

Material

Financial

Time Management

#### **5. Managing meetings**

Types of meeting

Benefits of meetings

Presentation Skills

Preparing content

Preparing Visual Aids

Preparing for Delivery

Presenting

#### **6. Theories of motivation**

Abraham Maslow's Hierarchy of needs

Douglas McGregor Theory X and Theory Y

#### **7. Management of change**

Introduction

Factors contributing to accepting change

Why people resist change

#### **8. Performance appraisal**

Introduction

What performance appraisal is?

Types of appraisals

Benefits of appraisals

Tools used in appraising

#### **9. Organisational culture**

Introduction

Exploring organisation culture

Types of organisation culture

Evaluation concept of culture

Conclusion

#### **10. Leadership**

Definition

Major theories

Overview of Leadership approaches

Conventional Traits and styles.

### 11. Discipline

- Definition
- Grievance procedure
- Disciplinary procedure
- Disciplinary code and procedure for handling offenses

### 12. Information system

- Definition
- Types

### 13. Management Information Systems (MIS)

- Introduction
- Data and information
- Qualities/characteristics of data
- Statistical Software
- Epi-data; Epi-Info; SPSS; STATA
- Qualitative software: NVIVO

### 14. Levels of Management of Information

- Operational
- Tactical
- Strategic

### 15. Health Management Information System (HMIS)

- Introduction to South Sudan HMIS (Inclusive of hands on practicum)
- Smart care (Including hands on Practicum)
- Teaching Methods
- Lectures
- Demonstrations
- Group Discussion
- Role plays
- Tutorials
- Case studies
- Questions and answers

### Assessment Methods

<b>Continuous assessment:</b>	<b>40%</b>
Assignments	10%
Written tests (2)	30%

**Final examination: 60%**

Written examination:

Paper I (MCQ)	25%
Paper II (Essays)	35%

### Recommended Book List

#### a) Health Care Ethics

1. Moral Issues in Health Care: An Introduction to Medical Ethics. New York/London: Wadsworth Publishing Co. McConnell T. (1997).
2. Campbell, A., and others (1997) Medical Ethics. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
3. Kenneth Kearon (1995) Medical Ethics: An Introduction. Dublin: Columbia Press.
4. Intervention and Reflection: Basic Issues in Medical Ethics. New York: Wadsworth Publishing Co. Munson, Ronald (1996).

#### b) Management

1. HoH D.H. (1987) Management Principles and Practice. New Jersey Prentice Hall Inc.
2. Cole A. (2002) Personnel and Human Resource Management. 5th Edition. London: Book Power.
3. Handy Charles B., (1976) Understanding Organisations. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
4. Armstrong M. (2004) A Handbook of Human Resource Management Practice. 9th Edition. London: Kogan Page.
5. Bless C., Kathuria R. (2001) Fundamentals of Social Statistics. An African perspective. Cape Town: Juta.
6. Chabner D. (2005) Medical Terminology: A Short Course. 6th Edition, London: Sanders.
7. Beauchamp T., Childress J. (1994). The Principles of Biomedical Ethics. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
8. Knapp G. R. and Millar C. M. III (1992) Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics. Baltimore: Williams and Wilkins.
9. Ivancevich J.M. (1998). Human Resource Management. 7th Edition: Boston: Mc Graw-Hill.

## **HEALTH CARE AND COMMUNICATION**

### **Introduction**

The relationship between health worker and patient has an important part to play in encouraging healthy behaviours. This relationship is affected by a number of factors including communication. A poor relationship between health worker and patient may lead to poor levels of adherence to treatment programs. To be able to communicate effectively with others is at the heart of all patient care, for if the health practitioner cannot identify problems accurately, care will be based on assumptions rather than on the expressed needs of the individual. Communication, therefore needs to be effective so that care can be planned on the basis of the patient's actual problems, rather than on what the health worker thinks are his/her problems.

### **Course Aim:**

The course aims to provide the students with an understanding of the factors which influence effective communication between a doctor and a patient and to promote sensitivity to ethical and cultural issues in communication.

### **Learning outcomes/Course Objectives:**

At the end of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Review the basic features of verbal and non-verbal communication
2. Evaluate the factors affecting communication
3. Practice communication skills in a safe environment
4. Differentiate skills required to communicate with different groups people
5. Evaluate the ethical issues in doctor patient relationship
6. Reflect on and improve one's communication skills

### **Course content:**

#### **Introduction**

1. Basic communication skills (verbal, non-verbal skills)
2. Ethics-roles
3. Ethics in clinical practice
4. Power relationships
5. Role expectations

#### **Factors affecting communication**

1. Environmental factors
2. Doctor related factors - physical, psychological factors
3. Patient-related factors - physical, psychological factors

#### **Gender and sexuality**

1. Communicating with patient of opposite gender
2. Communicating with patient from different culture

#### **History taking-**

1. Taking medical history,
2. Taking social history
3. Taking sexual history

#### **Giving information-**

1. Guidelines on giving information to patient
2. Giving lifestyle advice

3. Use of written information
4. Obtaining informed consent

### **Breaking 'bad' news**

1. Why it is difficult to give 'bad' news
2. To whom should 'bad' news be given?
3. Who should give 'bad' news?
4. How to give 'bad' news
5. Responding to patients concern

### **Communicating with children and young people**

1. Management of children
2. Modes of communication
3. Addressing children's feelings
4. Dealing with adolescents
5. Breaking 'bad' news to children
6. Referrals

### **Communicating with patients with special problems**

1. Communicating with patients from different linguistic and cultural backgrounds (use of interpreters)
2. Communicating with patients family
3. Challenging consultations-
4. Difficult patients,

### **Teaching methods and contact time:**

3 hours/week including:

Lectures Seminars

Group discussions

Project (evidence-based)-student presentation

Practical- role plays, problem solving, decision making

Case studies

Audio-visual feedback

### **Assessment methods**

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Reflective log/portfolio -	20%
Practical -	20%

### **Final Examination -**

<b>60%</b>	
Paper 1 - Essays and short notes-	30%
Paper 2 -Multiple choice questions-	30%

### **Recommended Text Books**

1. Lloyd, M (2007) Communication skills for medical practice. Churchill Livingstone.
2. Silverman, J. (2006) Skills for communicating with patients. Radcliffe Publishing.
3. Faulkner, A. (2004) Effective interaction with patients. Churchill Livingstone.
4. Macdonald, E. (Ed) Difficult conversations in medicine. Oxford University Press.
5. Difficult consultations with adolescents and working with young people; Evidence based health communication and communicating health – Manual.

## **HEALTHCARE ETHICS**

### **Course Aim**

The aim of this course is to examine critically central issues concerned with health care ethics.

### **Learning outcomes/Course Objectives**

By the end of this course, students are expected to be able to do the following:

1. Express an understanding of the nature of health care ethics;
2. Demonstrate knowledge of different ethical theories;
3. Demonstrate knowledge of different health care based code of ethics
4. Outline the major health care ethical issues;
5. Analyse critically principles used in ethical decision-making in health care issues;
6. Evaluate clinical situations and formulate an ethical position based on the principles of ethics and codes of ethics.

### **Course content**

#### **Philosophical Bases**

1. Utilitarianism
2. Kantianism
3. Egoism
4. Deontology

#### **Values in health care ethics**

1. Beneficence
2. Non-maleficence
3. Justice
4. Autonomy
5. Dignity
6. Truthfulness and honesty
7. Human rights and ethics

#### **Ethical Codes**

1. The Hippocratic Oath
2. World Medical Association Code of Ethics
3. Commonwealth Medical Association Code of Ethics
4. Declaration of Geneva of the World Medical Association
5. Medical Council of South Sudan Code of Conduct

#### **Fundamental health care ethics**

1. The doctor-patient relationship
2. Respect for autonomy
3. The patient's right to information
4. Informed consent
5. Confidentiality
6. Conflict of interest

#### **Common Ethical Issues**

1. Abortion
2. AIDS
3. Assisted procreation
4. Child abuse
5. Minors
6. Blood transfusion
7. Post-mortem
8. Euthanasia
9. Genetic manipulation
10. Experimentation on humans
11. Tissue and organ transplants
12. Priorities in health care
13. Right to life
14. Torture
15. Emergency treatment

16. Infamous conduct
17. Fitness to practice
18. Relationships with colleagues

### Research Ethics

1. The Role of Research Ethics Committees/Institutional Review Boards (IRBs)/National Research Ethics Council
2. Declaration of Helsinki
3. Informed consent
4. Conflict of interest
5. Benefit of the subjects
6. Risks disclosure
7. Academic fraud and plagiarism
8. Belmont Report
9. Nuremburg Declaration

### Teaching Methods and Contact Hours

- Lectures – 1 hour/week
- Student directed Seminars – 3 hour/week
- Group discussions /debates
- Guided reading

### Assessment methods

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Reflective portfolio/ log books -	20%
Practical -	20%
<b>Final Examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Paper 1 - Essays and short notes-	30%
Paper 2 -Multiple choice questions-	30%

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3. Kenneth Kearon (1995). *Medical Ethics: An Introduction*, Columbia Press, Dublin.
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5. Commonwealth Medical Association Code of Ethics
6. Declaration of Geneva of the World Medical Association
7. Helsinki of Declaration
8. Munson, Ronald (1996). *Intervention and Reflection: Basic Issues in Medical Ethics*, Wadsworth Publishing Co., New York/London.
9. Beauchamp, T., Childress, J. (1994). *The Principles of Biomedical Ethics*, OUP, Oxford.
10. Zucker, A. et al. (1992). *Medical Ethics: A Reader*, Prentice Hall, Englewood Cliffs, N.J.
11. Gillon, R. (1986). *Philosophical Medical Ethics*, Wiley & Sons, Chichester.
12. Banda, S.S (ed.) (1998). *A Handbook of Medical Ethics for Medical Students and Health Professionals*, Zambia Medical Association/UNFPA, Lusaka
13. Declaration of Geneva of the World Medical Association
14. Helsinki of Declaration

### **(3) FAMILY MEDICINE CLERKSHIP**

#### **Introduction**

The course is based on the four principles of family medicine:

#### **The Family Medicine Practitioner/Physician is a skilled clinician**

#### **Family Physician Demonstrates competence in the following aspects:**

1. Patient-centred clinical methods
2. Provides information to patients:
3. Respecting autonomy of the patient
4. Empowers patient to take control of their own healthcare needs
5. Decisions are made in the best interests of the patient
6. Have expert knowledge of the common health problems in that community
7. Expert knowledge of life threatening and treatable emergencies in that community

#### **Family Medicine is a Community-Based Discipline**

1. Being based in the community the practice is influenced by community factors
2. Presenting clinical problems are not pre-selected, giving a wide range of problems
3. Clinical problems present when they are at various stages of development
4. Patients are cared for in the practice office, hospital, health care facilities, home
5. Referrals and community resources are used judiciously

#### **The Family Medicine Physician serves a defined population**

1. The practice ensures that the health of the community is maintained
2. Have strategies for self-directed, lifelong learning
3. Have responsibilities for advocating policies that promote the community's health
4. Responsible for wise stewardship of the scarce resources

#### **The patient-physician relationship**

1. This is the central role of the family physician
2. Has an understanding and appreciation of the human condition
3. Understands the nature of suffering of the patient
4. Respects the privacy of the person
5. Appreciates the power differential between doctors and patients
6. Mindful of the potential of abuse of the power

#### **Aims of the course**

1. To enable students develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to manage common family medicine problems in the office, community and acute care settings.

#### **Learning Outcomes/Learning Objectives**

On successful completion of the course the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of disease processes:
  - Undifferentiated presentations
  - Differential diagnoses
  - Diagnostic confirmations and management
2. Differentiate between seriously ill patients and minor conditions and instituting appropriate management: telephone triage, referring, consulting
3. Perform procedural skills specific to family medicine
4. Provide continuity of care in the community, advocacy, coordination, and inter-professional collaboration
5. Consideration of cost effective care decisions: hospitalisation, test utilisation and billing
6. Demonstrate knowledge of community resources available for support: patients, other healthcare professionals, support groups and agencies
7. Incorporation of appropriate health promotion and disease prevention (lifestyle assessment), screening and education
8. Practise continuing education, self- assessment, information accessing, and critical appraisal in assessing new knowledge before adopting it
9. Effective documentation of medical records: clear, concise, accessible
10. Utilisation of patient-centred approach to care of patients and families, experience of the disease and illness, understanding the whole person and arriving at management with the patient

11. Demonstrate an ethical approach to the patient-doctor relationship, respect, non-judgemental
12. Demonstrate time management skills by setting priorities, solution-focused, efficient and comprehensive

### Teaching Methods and Contact Hours

40 hours/week x 8 weeks= 320 hours

#### Assessment Rationale:

Assessed on knowledge of applied basic and relevant clinical sciences, clinical competence, and professionalism and ethics.

Continuous assessment -	40%
Final examination (written and clinical) -	60%

### Recommended Text Books

1. Raket R, Raket D. (2015). Textbook of Family Medicine (9th Edition). Saunders. ISBN-13: 978-0323239905, ISBN-10:0323239900.
  2. Etherick J, Slater ED, David J (2018). Current Practice Guidelines in Primary Care (16th Edition). McGraw Hill Education/Medical. ISBN-13: 978-1260031065, ISBN-10: 1260031063.
- Journals and Websites to be advised by the course lecturer

## (5)Course title: Orthopaedics and Traumatology

**Credit hours:** 6

**Contact hours:** 60

**Practical/Clinical Round:** 90

**Introduction:** The course offers a foundation in Orthopaedics and Trauma to enable the student to be able to diagnose orthopaedic and trauma conditions and be able to carry out investigations and management at the level of a general practitioner.

**Course aim:** To impart to the students the knowledge, skills and attitudes in orthopaedics and trauma at the level of entry to internship

#### Learning Outcomes/ Learning Objectives

On completion of the course the student should be able to:

1. Describe the surgical anatomy of the musculoskeletal system.
2. Perform a targeted musculoskeletal physical examination: muscles, bones and joints.
3. Perform neurological evaluations including joint motion, reflexes and muscle power.
4. Order and interpret radiological imaging
5. Describe the available radiological techniques and their indications.
6. Ability to handle emergencies in orthopaedics and trauma
7. Ability to demonstrate professional and ethical manners in handling patients and their relatives: empathy, compassion, altruism, confidentiality, respect, autonomy, obtain consent
8. Outline the aetiology, pathophysiology and clinical presentation of common Orthopaedic and Trauma conditions
9. Make differential diagnosis and select the most appropriate initial investigations
10. Set priorities and plan management of the critically injured patient
11. Perform a screening examination (gait, arm, leg, and spine
12. Examine an acutely injured patient, including a focused neurological examination interpreting the findings to the history obtained
13. Thorough examination of the following: spine, hip and pelvic, knee, ankle and foot, shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand
14. Knowledge and clinical presentation of pathological conditions in orthopaedics
15. Ability to identify pathology based on anatomical location
16. Knowledge of common pathologies in orthopaedics
17. Knowledge and skill in surgical and non-surgical management of orthopaedic conditions

#### Traumatology

1. Able to classify fractures, dislocation, ligamentous and muscular injuries.
2. Understand the process of bone healing.
3. Diagnose and formulate management of spinal trauma, paraplegia, quadriplegia and physiotherapy.
4. Diagnose and outline concomitant injuries to head, thorax, abdomen and pelvis including the gastrointestinal and genitourinary system and refer appropriately
5. Describe upper and lower limb injuries, compartment syndrome, fat embolism, pulmonary embolism.
6. Ability to insert and remove Plaster of Paris and enumerate its indications, technique and complications.
7. Knowledge of amputations and rehabilitation post-surgery
8. Examine, diagnose, and manage infective conditions of bone and joints: septic arthritis, osteomyelitis, and pyomyositis.
9. Diagnose and manage affections of epiphyses and soft tissue.
10. Explain the principles of emergency limb re-alignment
11. Procedures requires in the emergency setting of limbs: realignment, splinting.
12. None-surgical management and surgical management
14. Outline immobilisation techniques
15. Splinting, skin traction, skeletal traction
16. Apply casts

### **Laboratory Investigations**

Perform pre-operative basic tests such as:

1. Full blood count;
2. Urea electrolytes;
3. Liver function tests;
4. Urinalysis;
5. Bacterial cultures;
6. Cerebrospinal fluid analysis;
7. Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA).

### **Surgical Radiology**

Interpretation of radiographs of the:

1. Chest;
2. Abdomen;
3. Skull;
4. Spine;
5. Limbs.
6. Pelvis

### **Indications for radiological imaging**

1. Indications and interpretation of contrast studies.
2. Ultrasonography.
3. Current advances in diagnostic imaging.

### **Course Content**

Assessment of the patient: history taking, physical examination, appropriate investigations, effective communication.

#### **Examination:**

Extremity/regional examination: spine, hip and pelvis, knee, ankle and foot, shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand

#### **Pathological processes:**

Traumatic

Infective

Vascular/ischaemic

Inflammatory

Inherited (congenital)

Neurological

Neoplastic  
Degenerative  
Autoimmune  
Metabolic (endocrine/drugs)  
Idiopathic  
Autoimmune/connective tissue disorder

Lupus  
Scleroderma  
Dermatomyositis  
Psoaritic arthritis  
Spondyloarthropathies

**Rheumatoid arthritis**

Juvenile idiopathic arthritis  
Gout  
Conditions by specific anatomical region

**Hip**

**Degenerative joint disease**

Greater trochanteric bursitis  
Sacroiliac (SI) joint dysfunction  
Transient synovitis of the hip

**Knee**

Degenerative joint disease/osteoarthritis  
Meniscus tears  
Anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) tear  
Posterior cruciate ligament (PCL) tear  
Medial collateral ligament (MCL) tear  
Osgood- Schlater's disease  
Illiotal band syndrome (ITBS)  
Patellofemoral pain syndrome

**Shoulder**

Rotator cuff pathology (tear, strain,tendinopathy)  
Impingement syndrome/ subacromial bursitis  
Adhesive capsulitis

**Degenerative joint disease/ osteoarthritis**

AC joint degenerative joint disease/ osteoarthritis  
Biceps tendinopathy

**Elbow**

Lateral epicondylitis  
Medical epicondylitis  
Olecranon bursitis  
Ulna nerv entrapment (cubital tunnel syndrome)

**Wrist/Hand**

Carpal tunnel syndrome  
Wrist ganglion  
Dequervain's tenosynovitis  
Dupuytren's contracture  
Carpometacarpal arthritis  
Trigger finger

**Ankle/Foot**

Bunions/hallux valgus/hallux rigidis  
Plantar fasciitis  
Achilles tendinosis  
Morton's neuroma  
Claw toes

Disorders of longitudinal medial plantar arch (e.g. Pes planus, pes cavus)

Club foot

### **Spine**

Low back pain

Degenerative disc disease

Spondylolysis/spondylolisthesis

Scoliosis

Nerve root entrapment/sciatica

Prolapsed disc disease

Lumbar spinal stenosis

### **General**

Osteomyelitis

Septic arthritis

Pyomyositis

Necrotising fasciitis

Limb gangrene

Diabetic septic foot

Musculoskeletal oncology

Bone tumours

Benign bone tumours

Malignant tumours

Primary tumours

Metastatic tumours

### **Orthopaedic trauma**

Emergency conditions

Compartment syndrome (any site)

Neurovascular injury (any site)

Septic arthritis

Open fracture

Cauda equina

Dislocation (any joint)

Physiological response to trauma

The limping child

Assessment/management of pathological fractures

### **Regional Pathology**

Pelvis, Hip, Femur

Pelvic fractures

Acetabulum fracture

Fracture head of femur

Fracture neck of femur

Intertrochanteric fracture femur

Femur shaft fracture

Supracondylar fracture femur

Hip dislocation

### **Knee/Patella**

Patella fracture/ dislocation

Patella/ quadriceps tendon rupture

Meniscus tear

ACL tear

PCL tear

MCL tear

### **Tibia**

Tibia plateau fracture

Tibia shaft fracture

Distal tibia fracture  
Tibia pilon fracture  
Fibula

#### **Ankle/Foot**

Ankle fracture/ dislocation  
Talus/Calcaneal  
Metatarsal stress fracture  
Lisfranc injury Achilles tendon rupture

#### **Shoulder**

Dislocation  
AC joint separation  
Clavicle fracture biceps tendon rupture

#### **Elbow**

Dislocation of elbow  
Olecranon fracture  
Radial head fracture  
Fracture both bones of forearm  
Monteggia fracture  
Galeazzi fracture  
Colles' fracture

#### **Wrist/hand**

Distal radius fracture  
Scaphoid fracture  
Metacarpal/phalangeal fractures  
Tendon injuries

#### **Management**

Surgical and non- surgical  
Splinting: principles of splinting  
Plaster of Paris  
Fibreglass  
Preformed splints  
Splinting techniques: advantages and disadvantages of backslab and full cast  
Safe splint removal  
Plaster casting  
Hip spica  
Type of casts  
Circular cast  
Knee cylinder cast  
Long and short arm cast  
Long and short leg cast  
U-shaped arm cast  
Mechanical traction  
Skin traction  
Skeletal traction  
Gallow's traction  
External fixation

## **Indications**

## **Complications**

### **Non-surgical Management**

Non-operative management for common musculoskeletal conditions

Benefits and limitations

Pharmacological

Physical: physiotherapy, rest, exercise

Supports and aids (sticks, home modification)

Nutritional (weight loss etc)

Psychological

### **Surgical management**

Elective common orthopaedic surgical procedures

Indications, potential benefits, risks and results for:

Arthroplasty: total hip and knee replacement

Arthroscopy

Meniscectomy

Anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction

Simple shoulder procedures

Tendon repairs

Wound management and debridement

Nerve decompression (carpal tunnel etc)

Common trauma procedures

Indications, potential benefits, risk and results

Open and closed reduction

Wiring, plating, intramedullary nailing, joint replacement, dynamic hip screw, hemiarthroplasty for hip

fracture

### **Paediatric Orthopaedics**

Trauma

Epiphyseal plate injury

Child abuse

Slipped capital femoral head

Supracondylar fracture of the humerus

Forearm fracture

Tibia fracture

Proximal femoral focal deficiency

Congenital disorder: CTEV, vertical talus, DDH, metatarsal varus, Blount disease

Spine

Prolapsed disc disease

Lumbar spinal stenosis

Cauda equina

Spinal infections eg. Pott's disease

Metastatic spinal cord compression

The painful spine in the child

### **Complications of fractures**

Non/mal/delayed union

Myositis ossificans

Growth arrest

Pressure sore

### **Outcomes of this course**

The purpose of this document is to help medical students in their orthopaedics and trauma coursework. It will also help the teaching staff determine the learning outcomes. The overall objective is to equip medical students with the knowledge and skills necessary for them to practice at an intern level. We aim to avoid unnecessary material that the

student may not need as an intern or general practitioner or those ones that are essential for residency level practitioners.

On qualification, a doctor should be able to:

- Outline the aetiology, pathophysiology and clinical presentations of common orthopaedics and trauma conditions.
- Make a differential diagnosis and select the most appropriate initial investigations.
- Set priorities and plan management of the critically injured patient.

There are several broad sections:

- 1- **Assessment of the patient**
- 2- **Conditions related to specific anatomical regions**
- 3- **Common treatment modalities and experience of specific musculoskeletal procedures**

#### 1. Assessment of the Patient

On qualification, the intern should be able to:

1. Elicit an accurate and problem-focused musculoskeletal history.
2. Undertake a targeted musculoskeletal physical examination.
3. Select the most appropriate initial investigations.
4. Make an appropriate differential diagnosis based on these findings
5. Communicate findings efficiently.

### **Examination**

On qualification, the intern should be able to:

1. Perform a screening examination e.g. GALS (Gait, Arms, Legs, Spine)
2. Examine major joints and spine, including specific tests for pathology.
3. Examine an acutely injured patient, including a focused neurological examination.
4. Interpret findings elicited and relate them to the history.

Extremity/regional examinations to include:

- Spine
- Hip and pelvis
- Knee
- Ankle and foot
- Shoulder
- Elbow
- Wrist and hand

#### 2. Conditions Related to Specific Anatomical Regions

On qualification a doctor should be able to identify pathology, based on anatomical location. By necessity this list is long but not exhaustive. Doctors should have some knowledge of all of the common conditions detailed below.

##### 1. **Orthopaedic Conditions**

- a. **Orthopaedic manifestations of Sickle Cell Anemia**
- b. **Orthopaedic Infections**

- Osteomyelitis
- Septic Arthritis

**C. The Limping Child Hip Conditions**

- Developmental Dysplasia of the Hip
- Perthe's Disease
- Slipped Femoral Capital Epiphysis
- Transient Synovitis
- Infantile Coxa Vara

**d. Assessment/Management Of Pathological Fractures**

**e. Hip**

- Degenerative joint disease (DJD)
- Greater trochanteric bursitis
- Sacroiliac (SI) joint dysfunction
- Transient synovitis of the hip

**f. Knee**

- Degenerative joint disease/osteoarthritis
- Knee Sprain
- Osgood-Schlatter's disease
- Iliotibial band syndrome (ITBS)
- Patellofemoral pain syndrome

**g. Shoulder**

- Rotator cuff pathology (tear/strain/tendinopathy)
- Impingement syndrome/subacromial bursitis
- Adhesive capsulitis
- Degenerative joint disease/osteoarthritis
- AC Joint degenerative joint disease osteoarthritis
- Biceps tendinopathy

**h. Elbow**

- Lateral epicondylosis
- Medial epicondylosis
- Olecranon bursitis
- Ulna nerve entrapment

**i. Wrist/Hand**

- Carpal tunnel syndrome
- Wrist ganglions
- DeQuervain's tenosynovitis
- Dupuytren's contracture
- Carpometacarpal arthritis
- Trigger finger

**j. Foot and Ankle**

- Bunions
- Plantar fasciitis
- Achilles tendinosis
- Morton's neuroma
- Disorders of longitudinal plantar arch (e.g., Pes Planus, Pes Cavus)
- Club Foot

**k. Spine**

- Low back pain

- Degenerative disc disease
- Spondylolysis/isthesis
- Kyphosis and Scoliosis
- Nerve root entrapment / sciatica
- Disc Prolapse
- Lumbar Spinal Stenosis
- Spinal infections
- Metastatic spinal cord compression
- The painful spine in the child

## 2. Trauma Conditions

On qualification, a doctor should be able to recognise musculoskeletal conditions which are life or limb threatening and institute the appropriate management. These include but not limited to

- a. Compartment syndrome (any site)
- b. Neurovascular injuries (any site)
- c. Open fractures
- d. Dislocations
- e. Physiological response to trauma

### Regional Trauma Conditions

- a. **Hip**
  - Fractured neck of femur
  - Pelvic and Acetabular Fractures
  - Hip dislocations
- b. **Femur Fractures**
  - Intertrochanteric femur fracture
  - Subtrochanteric femur fracture
  - Femur shaft fractures
  - Distal Femur fractures
- c. **Knee**
  - Knee dislocations
  - Meniscus tears
  - Anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) tear
  - Medial collateral ligament (MCL) sprain
  - Patella fracture
- d. **Tibial Fractures**
  - Tibial Plateau fractures
  - Tibial Shaft Fractures
  - Tibial Pilon fractures
- e. **Shoulder**
  - Dislocation
  - AC joint separation
  - Clavicle fracture and SC joint dislocation
  - Biceps tendon ruptures
- f. **Elbow**
  - Dislocation
  - Olecranon fracture
  - Radial head fracture
  - Medial and lateral Humeral epicondylar fractures
  - Distal humerus fractures
- g. **Forearm**
  - Both bone forearm fractures

- Galeazzi fracture dislocation
- Monteggia fracture dislocation
- Nightstick fracture
- h. Wrist/Hand**
  - Distal radius fracture
  - Lunate and Perilunate Dislocations
  - Scaphoid fracture
  - Metacarpal / phalangeal fractures
  - Tendon injuries
- i. Ankle/Foot**
  - Ankle fracture
  - Metatarsal stress fracture
  - Lisfranc injury
  - Achilles tendon rupture
- j. Spine**
  - Spinal fracture
  - Spinal cord trauma
  - Cauda Equina Syndrome
  - Conus Medullaris Syndrome

### **3. Common Treatment Modalities**

On qualification, a doctor should be able to explain and demonstrate common treatment modalities including:

- a. Simple practical procedures required in the emergency setting (limb realignment and splinting)
- b. Non surgical management
- c. Surgical management

#### **Simple Practical Procedures**

On qualification, a doctor should be able to know the following:

##### **a. Limb realignment:**

- Explain the principles of emergency limb realignment.
- Describe reduction of a long bone fracture and joint relocation procedures e.g. shoulder
- Outline immobilisation techniques

##### **b. Splinting:**

- Apply principles of splinting including
  - Plaster of Paris and fibreglass as well as pre-formed splints
  - Explain splinting techniques including the advantages and disadvantages of backslab and full cast
  - Safely use splint removal equipment

##### **c. Non Surgical Management**

On qualification, a doctor should be able to:

- Outline non-operative management options for common musculoskeletal conditions
- Explain potential benefits and limitations including
  - Pharmacological
  - Physical (physiotherapy, rest, exercise)

- Supports and aids (e.g. sticks, wheelchairs)
- Nutritional (e.g. weight loss)
- Psychological

#### d. Surgical management

On qualification, a doctor should be able to:

- Explain common elective orthopaedic surgical procedures
- Clarify indications, potential benefits, risks and results for:
  - Arthroplasty: total hip and total knee replacement
  - Arthroscopy
  - Tendon repair
  - Wound management and Debridement
  - Nerve decompression (e.g. carpal tunnel)
- Explain common trauma procedures
- Clarify indications, potential benefits, risks and results for:
  - Open and closed reduction
  - Wiring, plating, intramedullary nailing and joint replacement in trauma
  - Dynamic hip screw and hemiarthroplasty for hip fracture

### Teaching / Training Methods and hours

40 hours / week x 8 weeks = 320 hours

Clinical rotations  
 Bedside teaching  
 Lectures  
 Tutorials  
 Seminars  
 Web / ICT learning

### Assessment

#### Rationale:

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Ward Attendances	
Portfolio	
Log Book	
Assignments	
Clinical (Long and Short Cases)	
OSCE	
Case Write up	
<b>Final Examination (written and Clinical) -</b>	<b>60%</b>
OSCE	
Long and Short Cases	
Written Papers	
MCQ	
EMG	
SBA	
Viva Voce	

### Recommended Textbooks

- .Millis BB, Gaske GE. Trauma Management. 1st Edition.Thieme. ISBN-13:978-1626239180; ISBN-10: 1626239185:
- . Feliciano D, Maltox K, Moore E. Trauma. 9th Edition. ISBN-13.978-1260143348; ISBN-10: 1260143341
- Solomon, L., Warwick, D., Nayagam, S., **Apley's Concise System of Orthopaedics and Fractures**. 3rd ed. (2009). London: Hodder Arnold

- Liberman, J., **AAOS Comprehensive Orthopaedic Review**. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (2020). Wolters Klower
- Miller, M., Thompson, R., **Miller's Review of Orthopaedics**. 8<sup>th</sup> ed. (2021). Elsevier
- Gray, A., MacKenzie S., White, T., **McRae's Orthopaedic Trauma and Emergency Fracture**. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (2015). Elsevier
- McRae, R., **Clinical Orthopaedic Examination**. 6<sup>th</sup> ed. (2010). Churchill Livingstone

## **(6) Course title: Otolaryngology (ENT)**

**Credit hours: 3**

**Contact hours: 15**

**Practical/Clinical Rounds: 90**

### **Introduction.**

The course introduces the student to the principles of diagnosing, managing, and community education on conditions of the ear, nose and throat.

### **Course aim.**

To acquaint the student with the diagnosis, management and community awareness of conditions that affect the ear, nose and throat region so as to be able to manage minor cases and referral to the ENT specialist for further management.

### **Course objectives/ Learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

#### **Knowledge**

At the end of the course the student should have knowledge of:

1. The anatomy, physiology and biochemistry of the ear, nose and throat
2. Therapy of diseases of that region
3. Preventive measures of diseases of that region
4. Surgical and other modalities of treating disease of the ENT region
5. Instruments used in ENT examination and surgery
6. Surgical procedures in ENT: tonsillectomy, adenoidectomy, Caldwell- Luc, myringoplasty, modified radical mastoidectomy, biopsy of tongue carcinoma, direct laryngoscopy

#### **Skills**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Examine, diagnose and manage common ear, nose and throat diseases at the primary care centre
2. Carry out common investigative procedures for common conditions
3. Assist the ENT specialist in carrying out surgical procedures such as tonsillectomy, mastoidectomy, septoplasty, tracheostomy and endoscopy.
4. Impart to the community preventive education on ENT conditions including cancer.

#### **Attitudes:**

1. Participate in caring for patients as an opportunity to observe the natural course of the disease and following up patients after instituting treatment
2. Recognise and develop an appreciation of the psychosocial impact of the disease on the patient and manage the patient accordingly.
3. Develop an appreciation of the psychosocial effects on patients with ENT diseases
4. Appreciate the relationship between ENT diseases and other medical and surgical conditions and the psychosocial impact on the patient
5. Critically read the current literature regarding the specific conditions affecting one's patient. This will inculcate the student with the desire for lifelong learning
6. Have adequate knowledge available ENT therapies.
7. Communicate effectively with patients and colleagues

#### **Course content**

1. Applied anatomy and physiology of the ear, nose and throat
2. Clinical examination of the ear, nose and throat

#### **A. Ear**

1. Signs and symptoms of ear pathology
2. Investigations of a patient with ear condition

3. Acute and chronic conditions of the ear and their management
4. Facial nerve palsy in relation to pathology and trauma
5. Trauma
6. Perichondritis
7. Wax impaction
8. Otitis externa
9. Secretory otitis media
10. Acute suppurative otitis media, chronic suppurative media ( safe and unsafe )
11. Benign and malignant tumours of the ear
12. Clinical examination of the ear

#### **B. Nose and Pharynx**

1. Clinical examination of the nose and pharynx
2. Investigation of the patient with conditions of the hypopharynx
3. Conditions of the nose and pharynx and their management
4. Conditions of the hypopharynx
5. Rhinosinusitis
6. Allergic and NAR rhinitis
7. Deviated nasal septum
8. Nasal bone fracture
9. Nasal polyp
10. Angiofibroma
11. Benign and malignant tumours
12. Chronic granulomatous disease ( rhinospondiosis and atrophic rhinitis)

#### **C. Oral cavity, oropharynx/nasopharynx**

1. Adenoid hypertrophy
2. Tonsillitis
3. Tonsillar tumours
4. Nasopharyngeal carcinoma
5. Leukoplakia
6. Pharyngitis
7. Peritonsillar abscess and candidiasis
8. Salivary gland disease

#### **D. Larynx/hypo pharynx/neck**

1. Clinical examination of the larynx
2. Investigation of a patient with laryngeal conditions
3. Acute and chronic disorders of the larynx and their management
4. Laryngeal tumours and management
5. Stridor in infants, child, adolescent and adult
6. Inhaled foreign bodies
7. Emergency airway access (tracheostomy, cricothyroidotomy)
8. Medical conditions of relevance to ENT
9. Neck abscess
10. UAO
11. Vocal cord nodule
12. Recurrent juvenile papilloma
13. Carcinoma
14. Vocal cord palsy
15. Benign and malignant disease
16. Lymphadenitis, metastatic neck benign and malignant tumours
17. Brachial sinus

#### **E. Emergencies**

1. Upper airway obstruction
2. Foreign bodies in nose, ear, throat, tracheobronchial tree, oesophagus
3. Epistaxis
4. Neck trauma
5. Peritonsillar abscess

**Teaching Methods and Contact Hours: 8 weeks**

Lectures  
Seminars  
Small group teaching  
Clinical teaching: ENT outpatient clinics,  
Ward round  
Grand rounds  
Operating theatre  
Emergency sessions

**Assessment Methods**

**Continuous Assessment: 40%**

Log Book:  
Clinical Examination (OSCE)  
Clinical cases  
Class Tests:  
Assignment:  
Portfolio:

**Final Examinations: 60%**

OSCE  
Clinical case (short/long)  
MCQ  
Written Papers  
EMQ  
SBA

**Recommended Text Books**

1. Logan Turner .Textbook of ENT
2. Scott Brown’s Otolaryngology- 5 Volumes
3. Dhingra PL. Textbook of ENT
4. Cumming Otolaryngology 7th Edition

**(7) Course title: Ophthalmology**

**Credit hours: 3**

**Contact hours: 15**

**Practical/Clinical Rounds: 90**

**Introduction**

The course is designed to give the student sufficient knowledge to enable recognition of common eye conditions along with their etiologic factors. The student should also know about the less common conditions but threatening the patient’s sight. The student should also be able to execute the necessary action to safeguard the patient’s life and maintain vision and function. Examination of the eye and adnexa is a component of the general examination of a patient. The eye may manifest some systemic diseases. Eye pathology is common in the ageing population.

Reduced visual function negatively impacts one’s mobility, independence and psychological wellbeing. A number of acute ophthalmologic conditions are readily treated if they present early and as treat or refer to specialists.

**Course Aims:**

To teach medical students sufficient ophthalmology to enable recognition of common eye complaints and their aetiology as well as recognition of less common but life-threatening emergencies presenting as eye findings. The student should be able to take the appropriate action to safe guard the patient’s life, vision and overall function.

## Learning Outcomes/ Course Objectives:

Upon successful completion of this course the student should be able to:

### Knowledge:

1. Explain the basic sciences' (anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, pathology) roles in the signs and symptoms of disease in relation to the disease severity.
2. Explain the rationale for bedside laboratory investigations in formulating a diagnosis and the ongoing monitoring of the disease process.
4. Interpretation of laboratory results and other investigations to aid diagnosis and patient management.
5. Explain the therapeutic approaches in the management of diseases
6. Identify drugs that are used to treat common ophthalmic diseases
7. Develop the necessary skills to critically appraise the published literature before one applies the "new approach" on their patients.
8. Use information technology to access on-line medical information to support the education of the patient and the community.
9. Describe the presentation, clinical features, management and treatment of common ophthalmologic conditions: Cataract, primary open angle glaucoma, angle closure glaucoma, diabetic eye disease and retinopathy grading, dry and wet age related macular degeneration, retinal venous and, arterial occlusion, anterior ischaemic optic neuropathy
10. Describe the typical clinical features and explain the management of common causes of a red eye to include: eyelid disorders, conjunctivitis (bacterial, viral), refractive errors in adults, presbyopia, trachoma.
11. Describe clinical features and explain management of common conditions in infants and children including: sticky eye, refractive error, and amblyopia, strabismus awareness of emergency paediatric ophthalmic conditions such as non-accidental injury (NAI), retinoblastoma – and other causes of leucocoria.
12. Understand ophthalmologic complications seen in multisystem diseases and explain appropriate tests for screening and diagnosis, and ophthalmic interventions: diabetes mellitus, hypertension, HIV, multiple sclerosis, sarcoidosis and TB, rheumatology, thyroid disease, stroke, and giant cell arteritis.
13. Understand the detection and emergency management of: blunt and penetrating trauma, chemical trauma, orbital cellulitis.
14. Understand the common and relevant investigations performed in ophthalmology for diagnosis and treatment plans:
15. Describe the use of vital dyes and mydriatics to aid in diagnosis of ocular disease.
16. Outline the use of, ocular effect and systemic effect of the diagnostic topical medications; phenylephrine, cyclopentolate, atropine, cocaine, tropicamide
17. Understand the basic concepts of ophthalmic imaging including ultrasonography, fundus fluorescein angiography, optical coherence tomography, visual fields, biometry for cataract surgery and neuro-Imaging.
18. Recognise the more common procedures performed in ophthalmology: cataract surgery, retinal laser, intravitreal injections

### Visual Impairment

1. Understand the role of inter-professional collaborative practice when delivering ophthalmic care.
2. Understand common causes of blindness and strategies of preventing blindness
3. Recognize the visual requirements for driving (visual acuity and visual Field)
4. Demonstrate an awareness of visual impairment and its implications to the individual, family and society.
5. Appreciate the value and implications of registration of the visually impaired.
6. Understand the concept of low visual aids.
7. Recognise the symptoms and signs of the following eye emergencies: cornea foreign body, corneal ulcer, chemical/caustic burns, acute closure glaucoma, lid laceration, hyphema, acute retinal vascular occlusion, retinal detachment, vitreous haemorrhage, papilledema, globe perforation, blunt injury of the eye
8. Perform ocular examination using the following: confrontation visual fields, pupil response (light and accommodation), examine everted eyelids for disease and foreign matter
9. Describe and explain the following and be able to explain to the patient: Horner's Syndrome, Adie's Pupil, Relative Afferent Pupil Defect and Argyll Pupil

10. Outline the use and systemic effects of diagnostic topical medications: phenylephrine, cyclopentolate, atropine, cocaine, tropicamide
11. Define Legal Blindness

### **Skills Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should demonstrate competencies in the following skills:

1. Take an accurate, appropriate, and full ophthalmic history.
2. Conduct an appropriate physical ophthalmic examination.
3. Accurately elicit and interpret signs and symptoms of diseases
4. Accurately enter in the patient's records clearly and concisely written notes
5. Perform appropriate bedside therapeutic and diagnostic procedures
6. Institute basic life support
7. Use appropriate diagnostic approaches to formulate a diagnosis.
8. Carry out the necessary investigations to aid the formulating the diagnosis.
9. Formulate treatment plans for patients
10. Develop and execute a management plan.
11. Obtain information about the community from which the patient is coming from.
12. When possible information technology should be used to aid in diagnosis and patient education.
13. Make evidence-based decision based on up to date information in the medical literature

### **Attitudinal objectives:**

At the end of the course the student should be able to demonstrate the following attitudes:

1. Respect patients and their families, peers and other members of the healthcare team
2. Prioritises the patient's welfare
3. Accepts full responsibilities for shortcomings she or he commits in the management of a patient and readily consults experienced senior colleagues.
4. Committed to lifelong learning by actively participating in continuing professional development
5. Promoting team working spirit
6. Demonstrate effective communication skills, caring, respectful, ethical, professional, and compassionate behaviour when interacting with patients and their families.
7. Demonstrate a commitment to ethical principles with regards to providing or withholding clinical care, confidentiality of patient information, informed consent, and business practices.
8. Demonstrate sensitivity and responsiveness to patient's culture, age, gender, religion and disabilities
9. To practise interprofessional collaboration in delivering care to patients.
10. Develop lifelong learning skills by attending continuing education sessions and engage in self-directed study.
11. Exhibit good professional communication skills with the patients and their families, colleagues and other members of the healthcare team: verbal, written or by any other means
12. Educate and counsel the patient and family on the findings and what needs to be done.

### **Course Content**

#### **A. Basic Sciences**

1. Head and neck
2. Orbit and eye
3. Cranial nerves and the eye
4. Visual pathway
5. Applied anatomy and physiology
6. Applied pathology, biochemistry, pharmacology, microbiology, parasitology, virology, 2

#### **B. Ophthalmic Core**

1. Acute visual loss
2. Chronic visual loss
3. Leucoria
4. Diabetic eye
5. Ocular manifestations of systemic disease
6. Ocular trauma
7. Optic disc swelling (papilledema, optic neuritis)
8. Amblyopia (refractive errors, strabismus)

#### **C. Fundoscopy**

#### **D. Others**

1. Eyelid abnormalities

2. Cornea Conditions
3. Retinal detachment
4. Pupil problems
5. Cranial nerve defects
6. Visual field defects

#### Teaching Methods

Clinical rotations  
 Bedside teaching  
 Lectures  
 Tutorials  
 Seminars  
 8 weeks  
 Web/ICT learning

#### Assessment Methods

<b>Continuous Assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Log book	
Portfolio	
Class Tests	
Assignments	
<b>Final Examination: Written and clinical-</b>	<b>60%</b>
OSCE	
Written papers	
MCQ	
SBA	
EMQ	

#### Recommended Text Books

1. American Academy of Ophthalmology (2016). Basic Ophthalmology: Essentials for Medical Students (10th Edition). American Academy of Ophthalmology. ISBN-13-161525048, ISBN-10: 16152804043.
2. Trobe J, (2012). Physician's Guide to Eye Care (4th Edition).
3. American Academy of Ophthalmology. ISBN-13: 978-1615252817, ISBN-10:1615252819. Journal and Website from lecturer

### (8) Course title: Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine

**Credit hours: 3**  
**Contact hours: 15**  
**Practical/Clinical Rounds: 90**

#### Introduction

The course in anaesthesia has horizontal and vertical integrations with anatomy, physiology, pharmacology, general medicine, and general surgery with an emphasis of knowledge, skills and attitudinal issues.

#### Learning Outcomes/Course objectives:

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

#### Knowledge Objectives

1. Anatomy of the airway and respiratory system
2. Fundamental techniques and skills
3. Accessing the airway in an emergency
4. Principles of fluid and electrolyte balance and therapy
5. Perioperative assessment and care of the patient

6. Principles of general and regional anaesthesia
7. Equipment for inhalational anaesthesia and post anaesthesia and care unit
8. Commonly used drugs in anaesthesia
9. Administering of premedication
10. Anaesthesia paediatric and obstetric patient
11. Important medical conditions that affect anaesthesia
12. Preoperative assessment of a patient
13. Induction and maintenance of anaesthesia
14. Monitoring of a patient under anaesthesia
15. When to use the crash cart and its drugs
16. Regional anaesthesia/local anaesthesia (spinal, epidural, brachial plexus, peripheral nerve blocks,) principles, techniques, drugs, adjuvant agents
17. Identify and manage common emergencies in the operating room
18. Day care and anaesthesia outside the operating room
19. WHO surgical safety checklist
20. Describe ICU: criteria for admission, discharge, principles of monitoring
21. Basic setup of a ventilator
22. Assessment and management of an unconscious patient
23. Patient safety in operating theatre and ICU
24. Hazards of incorrect patient positioning
25. Common medical and medication errors in anaesthesia
26. Role of communication in patient safety
27. IV and CVC cannulation
28. Order and interpret appropriate radiologic and laboratory investigations preoperatively
29. Know the pharmacology of anaesthetic agents used in the different types of surgery

### Skills

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Obtain accurate and complete medical and presenting complaint history from the patient
2. Correctly elicit physical signs of the disease condition from the patient
3. Manage common conditions
4. Choose and administer appropriate anaesthetic drugs and technique
5. Accurately monitor a patient under general anaesthesia
6. Recognise and manage complications of various anaesthetic agents
7. Care of the anaesthetised and unconscious patient
8. Able to administer and monitor fluid and electrolyte balance and therapy
9. Explain the pharmacology of anaesthetic agents used in the different types of surgery
10. Basic life support
11. Perform CPR

### Attitudinal Objectives

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Awareness of practising medical ethics when attending to patients
2. Appreciation of one's professional limits
3. Commitment to lifelong learning
4. Respect of the patient and other healthcare professionals in the team
5. Observe one's responsibilities, sense of duty, punctuality and accountability
6. Effective communication

### Course content

1. Anatomy of the airway and respiratory system
2. Fundamental techniques and skills
3. Accessing the airway in an emergency
4. Care of the anaesthetised and unconscious patient
5. Principles of fluid and electrolyte balance and therapy
6. Perioperative assessment and care of the patient
7. Principles of general and regional anaesthesia
8. Equipment for inhalational anaesthesia and post anaesthesia and care unit
9. Commonly used drugs in anaesthesia
10. Premedication

11. Paediatric and obstetric anaesthesia
12. Important medical conditions that affect anaesthesia
13. Preoperative assessment of a patient
14. Induction and maintenance of anaesthesia
15. Monitoring of a patient under anaesthesia
16. Contents of a crash cart and their use
17. Regional anaesthesia/local anaesthesia (spinal, epidural, brachial plexus, peripheral nerve blocks,) principles, techniques, drugs, adjuvant agents
18. Common emergencies in the operating room
19. Day care and anaesthesia outside the operating room
20. WHO surgical safety checklist
21. Introduction to ICU : criteria for admission, discharge, principles of monitoring
22. Basic setup of a ventilator
23. Assessment and management of an unconscious patient
24. Patient safety in operating theatre and ICU
25. Hazards of incorrect patient positioning
26. Common medical and medication errors in anaesthesia
27. Role of communication in patient safety
28. IV and CVC cannulation

Anesthesia equipment and their physics.

- A. Principles of gas preparation, analysis and storage, Venturi- principles.
- B. Gas principles.
- C. Anesthesia machine and vaporizers.
- D. Basic principles of electricity, amplifiers and display devices.
- E. Anesthesia circuits.

### Teaching Methods and Contact Hours

Lectures, tutorials, seminars -	10 hours
Operating Room -	20 hours
ICU	
Day case	

### Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous assessment:</b>		<b>40%</b>
Log books, portfolio, case reports, etc) -	10%	
Clinical examination (OSCE) -	15%	
Oral-	5%	
Written: MCQ -	10%	
<b>Final examination -</b>		<b>60%</b>

Written Papers:  
 (Essays, MCQ, Short answer questions, SBA, EMQ)  
 OSEC, long case,

## **(9) Course title: Radiology and Medical Imaging**

**Credit hours: 3**

**Contact hours: 15**

**Practicals & Clinicals: 90**

### **Introduction:**

The course teaches students the radiological appearances of normal structures and appearances when affected by common diseases as displayed by imaging modalities such as plain film, ultrasound, computed tomography, magnetic tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, isotope imaging and angiography. They will also learn about the limitations of diagnostic radiology and the techniques that are used. It prepares newly qualified doctors with the necessary knowledge and skills to arrange for radiologic investigations and interpret the findings.

### **Course Aims**

1. Develop skills to read plain radiographs, scans and other images so as to be able to distinguish between normal and abnormal structures
2. Be able to appreciate the indication and contraindication for radiographic investigations
3. Perform basic ultrasonography examinations
4. To impart the students with the ability to recognize and interpret the imaging findings in common diseases using different modalities and relate them to the clinical findings
5. Knowledge and ability to select the appropriate imaging tool for different clinical conditions.

### **Learning Outcomes/Course objectives:**

#### **Knowledge Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should able to:

1. Understand normal functional processes in imaging
2. Relate radiologic reports to structures on images
3. Understand the clinical and technical aspects of radiology
4. Know and understand safety issues in radiologic clinical practice
5. Have an understanding of special imaging studies such as CT scan, ultrasound, MRI, fluoroscopy, and nuclear medicine

#### **Skills**

1. At the end of the course the student should able to:
2. Recognise normal structures on imaging
3. Recognise pathologic structures on imaging
4. Interpret basic imaging studies
5. Interpret images of the following: chest and CVS; musculoskeletal; abdomen; neuroradiology: limbs; head and neck; pelvis and ophthalmic
6. Able to request the appropriate imaging investigations
7. To interpret major findings on radiographs and images from other imaging modalities
8. Able to prepare patients for radiological studies: contrast reactions, MRI safety, and radiation exposure
9. Read ultrasound images

#### **Attitudinal Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should able to:

1. Understanding the role radiologic investigations plays in patient care
2. Effective communication with patients, their families, peers, colleagues, other healthcare professionals in the radiologic investigations
3. Exhibit ethical and professionals traits
4. Respect and autonomy of the patient

## **Course content**

### **1. Fundamental principles**

**Anatomy and function:** normal structures on imaging, pathologic imaging

1. Normal processes of imaging
2. Principles of radiologic diagnosis
3. Radiological features of common diseases in South Sudan
4. Imaging methods for diagnosis in South Sudan

**Patient safety:** Principles of radiation protection

Risks: magnetic resonance imaging, contrast media, interventional procedures

**Imaging investigations:** Indications, preparation, how frequent studies are conducted, effects on patients, follow-up care

**Patient experience:** what is involved in imaging investigation as understood by the patient, information to patient so as to limit anxiety, psychological issues of the patient

**Informed consent:** principles of informed consent, information given to patient, nature of accurate informed consent, decision making involving patient, good communication

**Multidisciplinary involvement:** roles of different health professionals involved, patient referral if needed, good communication, accurate referral information

### **2. Common emergencies**

Chest radiograph (CXR)

Misplaced nasogastric tube, central venous line

Lungs: consolidation, lobar collapse,

Pleural effusion

Heart failure

Foreign body

Pneumothorax

Abdominal radiograph (AXR)

Small and large bowel obstruction

Toxic megacolon

Pneumoperitoneum

Abnormal calcifications

Skeletal radiograph

Bone fractures

Pelvis

Femoral neck

Wrist/carpus/scaphoid

Long bones

#### **Fractures involving joint/epiphyseal plate**

Joint dislocation

Joint Effusion

Lipohaemarthrosis

Fracture dislocation of spine

#### **Major trauma, computed tomography (CT)**

Head injury

Bone and soft tissue trauma

Spinal injury

Thoracic injury

Abdomino-pelvic trauma

Acute vascular injury

#### **Imaging for common clinical presentations**

Chest and cardiovascular

Chest pain

Thoracic trauma

Breathlessness

Cough

Haemoptysis  
Gastrointestinal  
Abdominal pain  
Abdominal masses  
Abdominal trauma  
Swallowing disorders  
Bowel obstruction  
Bowel perforation  
Change in bowel habit  
Jaundice  
Investigating gastrointestinal haemorrhage  
Renal and urology  
Urinary colic  
Haematuria  
Acute kidney injury  
Urinary obstruction  
Acute presentation of testicular disease  
Breast  
Masses  
Abscess  
Trauma

#### **Nuerological conditions**

Head injury  
Stroke  
Severe headache  
Seizures  
Altered consciousness  
Spinal cord compression  
Musculoskeletal  
Bone pain  
Joint pain  
Bone and soft tissue infection  
Spinal injury  
Neck and back pain

#### **Obstetric and Gynaecological**

- Suspected or abnormal pregnancy
- Abnormal vaginal bleeding, pelvic pain
- Pelvic mass
- Ultrasound in normal pregnancy
- Multisystem
- Oncological disease staging
- Anaemia
- Pyrexia of unknown origin
- Childhood
- Trauma
- Non-accidental injury
- The limping child
- Painful limb
- Principles of imaging specific to children
- Urinary tract infections

#### **Teaching Methods and Teaching Hours**

Lectures-

10 hours/week

Attendances at special units/clinics-

15 hours/week

Seminars 1 hour/week  
 Study-guides and other student-centred learning approaches  
 Clinical Rotations/ Bedside teaching  
 Tutorials  
 Self-directed learning  
 Web/ICT learning

**Assessment Methods**

<b>Continuous assessment-</b>		<b>40%</b>
Student profiles		
Log book-	15%	
Clinical examination-	15%	
Written examination-	10%	
OSCE-		
 <b>Final examinations -</b>		<b>60%</b>
Written paper -	25%	
OSCE -	30%	
Final Oral -	5%	
Computer- based clinical examination (short-answer slide show)		
SBA		
EMQ		

**Recommended Text Books**

1. Spratt JD, Salkowski L, Loukas M, Turmeqi T, Wetr J, Abrams P, (2016). Weirs and Abrams’ Imaging Atlas of Human Anatomy, Elsevier. ISBN-13; 978-078-0723438267; ISBN-10:9780723438267
2. Patel P, (2010). Lecture Notes in Radiology (3rd Edition). Wile- Blackwell. ISBN-13-13:978-1405140; ISBN-10: 1405195142
3. Rockkall A, Hatrick A, Amstrong P, Wastir M (2013). ISBN-10: 0470658908
4. Quellette H, Tetreault P. Learning Radiology, made ridiculously easy.
5. Daffner RH, Hartman MS, Clinical Radiology 4th Edition

Journals and Websites to be provided by the lecturers

**(10) Course title: Dermatology and Venereology**

**Credit hours: 3**

**Contact hours: 15**

**Practical/Clinical Round: 90**

<b>Contact Hours: Lectures -</b>	4 hours per week for weeks
Attendance at special units/clinics -	15 hours per week
Seminars -	2 hours per week
Attendance and participation at outpatient clinic-	8 hours per week
Study guides and other student-centred learning methods	

**Course aim**

To provide an integrated undergraduate course in clinical dermatology and sexually transmitted infections and consolidate the clinical skills for eliciting signs and symptoms.

**Learning Outcomes/Course objectives:**

On completion of the course the student should be able to:

**Knowledge**

At the end of the course the student should able to:

1. Have knowledge of the basic approach to diagnosis and management of the common skin diseases and STIs encountered in general medical practice
2. Have knowledge of the principles and practice of topical and systemic therapeutics

3. Knowledge of major life-threatening skin diseases and skin markers of systemic disease
4. Understand the principles of the skin immune system.
5. Good knowledge of common skin diseases, clinical manifestations and bedside investigations
6. Have knowledge of the mode of action of commonly used dermatological drugs including their indications, dose, toxicity, metabolism and drug interactions.

### **Skills**

1. Confidence and experience in history taking and general physical examination with special attention to examination and description of the skin and genital conditions
2. Develop capacity to write concisely and presenting orally as clear as possible, communication skills
3. Perform special diagnostic procedures (KOH, Tzanck test, patch test, skin biopsy) to assist in delineating patient's problems
4. Able to diagnose and treat common skin conditions
5. Interpret evidence, formulate simple management plans
6. Recognise the significance of the less common but important skin problems and dermatological emergencies
7. Have perform skills utilized in dermatology
8. Appreciate the psychosocial impact of skin diseases
9. History taking and examination of a patient with a dermatologic condition

### **Attitudes:**

1. Participate in caring for patients as an opportunity to observe the natural course of the disease and following up patients after instituting treatment
2. Recognise and develop an appreciation of the psychosocial impact of the disease on the patient and manage the patient accordingly.
3. Develop an appreciate the psychosocial effects on patients with STI
4. Appreciate the relationship between skin diseases and other medical and surgical conditions and the psychosocial impact on the patient
5. Critically read the current literature regarding the specific conditions affecting one's patient. This will inculcate the student with the desire for lifelong learning
6. Have adequate knowledge of various dermatological therapies with special emphasis on mode of topical therapy
7. Communicate effectively with patients and colleagues

### **Course Content:**

#### **A. Dermatology**

Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of skin and genital disorders

Clinical features of common skin and genital disorders

Management of common skin and genital disorders

#### **1. History taking:**

i) presenting complaint/s, duration of conditions, history of presenting complaint/s , relevant past history ( personal, family); relevant occupational exposure associated with the presenting complaint/s/disease; treatment history ( topical/systemic: duration of use, method of use); other substances applied ( soap, cosmetics ) home remedies: history of drug taking ( prescription drugs, self-medication).

ii) Sexual history: marital status (single, married, widowed, multiple, heterosexual, gay, sex (protected unprotected, nature of contact

iii) Personal history of: atopic diathesis, change of climate, dietary history, history of substance abuse/use, addictions)

iv) Systemic complaints: respiratory- TB/sarcoidosis, SS); cardiovascular- SS/ lentiginosis; gastrointestinal: DH, HS, purpura: Neurological-leprosy: constructional symptoms

v) Obstetrics and Gynaecologic history

vi) Family history

#### **2. Examination:**

i) hair ( colour change, texture, density, distribution of terminal hair, scaling/crusting, alopecia, scarring/ non-scarring

ii) nails: proximal/lateral nail folds, nail plate-surface/colour, nail bed

iii) mucosa: oral, ocular, nasal, anal, genital

- iv) relevant physical examination
- 3. General physical examination: pallor, icterus, cyanosis, lymphadenopathy, facies
- 4. Structure of skin and its appendages: skin as an organ system, embryology, histology
- 5. Functions of the skin
- 6. Signs and symptoms in dermatology:
  - i) Symptoms: pruritis, burning sensation, pain, paraesthesia, hypo/anaesthesia; ii) signs: Auspitz, Darier's, Nikolsky's, Koebner's phenomenon.
  - Signs and symptoms (onset, duration, site, diurnal variation, aggravating and relieving factors)
- 7. Laboratory methods: staining: potassium hydroxide, Gram's stain, and Giesma stain (to demonstrate acantholytic cells, giant cells, molluscum contagiosum, LD bodies / Donovan bodies, AFB-ZN staining, dark ground microscopy)
- 8. Causes of skin diseases
- 9. Impact of skin diseases
- 10. Common pathological terms in dermatology
- 11. Common skin infections:
  - i) Viral diseases:
    - Human papilloma virus (warts)
    - Herpes viruses (herpes simplex, herpes zoster)
    - Pox virus (molluscum contagiosum)
  - ii) Bacterial conditions
    - Impetigo
    - Cellulitis
    - Mycobacterium infections (Hansen's disease, leprosy)
  - iii) Fungal infections
    - Dermatophytosis
    - Pityriasis versicolour (Tinea versicolour)
    - Candidiasis
  - iv) Infestations
    - Cutaneous larva migrans
- 12. Papulosquamous disorders
  - Eczema
  - Psoriasis
  - Lichen plans
  - Pityriasis rosea
  - Erythroderma ( exfoliative dermatitis)
- 13. Disorders of pigmentation
  - Determinants of normal skin colour
  - Vitiligo
  - Melisma
- 14. Blistering diseases (bullous diseases)
  - Pemphigus vulgaris
  - Bullous pemphigoid
  - Dermatitis hepertiformis
- 15. Disorders of skin appendages
  - Disorders of sebaceous glands: acne vulgaris, rosacea
  - Disorders of sweat glands
  - Disorders of nails
  - Disorders of hair: alopecia (hair loss), excessive hair growth
- 16. Skin tumours
  - Basal cell carcinoma (rodent ulcer)
  - Squamous cell carcinoma
  - Melanoma
- 17. Topical/systemic drugs in dermatology
  - Principles of topical therapy
  - Factors affecting percutaneous absorption

Classification of topical preparations  
 Ideal vehicle  
 Use of different preparations  
 Topical preparations: emollients, shampoos, soaps and soap substitutes, antiseptics, antifungals, antibiotics, antivirals, steroids, steroid-antibiotic combinations, retinoids  
 steroid-antifungal combinations, tar, local anaesthetics and others  
 Systemic drugs: indications, side effects.

18. Emergencies in Dermatology.

Recognition, salient features and management,  
 EM, SJS, TEN, erythroderma, adverse drug eruptions, acute urticarial, angioedema, anaphylaxis,  
 Staphylococcal scalded skin syndrome, acute generalized pustular psoriasis, acute skin loss.

B. Sexually transmitted infections

Presentations of STIs: urethral discharge, vaginal discharge, genital ulcers, complications

Syndromic treatment

Control of STIs

Common STIs: syphilis, gonorrhoea, genital chlamydia infections, chancroid, lymphogranuloma

Venereum, granuloma inguinale (Donovanosis), HIV/AIDS

C. Andrology

Definition, anatomy and physiology of the male reproductive system

Assessment of infertile male

Aetiology of male infertility

Male erectile dysfunction (impotence)

Male disorders of ejaculation

Sexual deviations

Sex addiction

**Teaching Methods and Teaching Hours**

Lectures -	4 hours per week for weeks???
Attendance at special units/clinics -	15 hours per week
Seminars -	2 hours per week
Attendance and participation at outpatient clinic-	8 hours per week
Study guides and other student-centred learning methods	

**Assessment Methods:**

**Continuous assessment (student profiles, log books, clinical examinations) - 40%**

**Final written examination - 60%**

Written papers -

Clinical exams/OSCE-

Long and short cases-

**Assessment criteria:** Knowledge of applied basic and clinical sciences, clinical competence, and professionalism and ethics. Failure in clinical competence means that the student fails that course. Assessment methods must reflect the learning objectives/learning outcomes.

To contribute 20% of the Internal Medicine Final Examination mark

**Recommended Text Books**

1. Swash, M. and Glynn M. (Eds) (2007). Hutchinson's Clinical Methods: An integrated Approach to clinical practice (22nd Edition). Edinburgh, London. Saunders Elsevier. ISBN978 0 7020 27987.
2. Macleod J(Ed). Davidson's Principles and Practice of Medicine: a Text book for students and doctors. (14th Ed). Churchill Livingstone. Edinburgh, 1984.
3. Hunter JC, Savin J, Dahl M, Weller RB. Clinical Dermatology. 4th Edition.
4. Gawkr Rodgers D. Dermatology, an illustrated colour text
5. Marks R. Roxburg Textbook of Dermatology

## **(11) Course title: PSYCHIATRY AND MENTAL HEALTH**

**Credit hours: 8**

**Contact hours: 45**

**Practical/Clinical Rounds: 135**

### **Introduction**

The Psychiatry and Mental Health Core Clerkship covers the competences of knowledge, skills, and attitudes. Psychiatric and mental health issues commonly occur among patients in all disciplines of medicine. This course gives the student an opportunity to appreciate and approach psychiatry and mental health in a holistic manner.

### **Course aim:**

1. Develop students to appreciate appropriate knowledge, skills and attitudes to psychiatric and mental health issues.
2. To acquire knowledge: psychiatric symptoms and syndromes, psychological aspects of medical disorders and psychosocial problems.
3. Acquire communication skills to be able to communicate professionally with people of all ages and diverse cultures and socioeconomic background.
4. To apply knowledge of basic sciences in clinical psychiatry and mental health
5. Demonstrate the skills of accessing scientific literature so as to keep abreast with new developments in the discipline for the benefit of the patients under their care.
6. Recognise and appropriately address the ethical issues arising in clinical practice
7. To develop professional doctor-patient relationship and manage a patient based on an integrated biological, social and psychosocial approaches.

### **Learning Objectives/Course Objectives**

#### **Knowledge Objectives**

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate proficiency in the recognition, evaluation, and management of persons with varied psychiatric disorders and mental health problems;
2. Describe the diverse presentations of persons with psychiatric and mental health problems along their related complications
3. Recognise the importance of reviewing the outcomes and principles of prevention, promotion, education and treatment of psychiatric disorders and mental health problems
4. Integrate technology, scientific base and humanistic approach in managing patients
5. Describe the role played by the neurobiological, genetic and environmental theories of aetiology of psychiatric disorders and mental health problems.

#### **Attitudinal Objectives:**

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Recognise the importance of good professional doctor-patient relationships
2. Demonstrate respect, empathy, responsiveness, and concern for the patient's presenting problems along with their personal characteristics;
3. Appreciate the role of the stage of development of the patient in the life cycle and longitudinal perspective of the patient's illness
4. Recognise and respect the important role family and the wider environment of the patient, culture, religion, social circumstances play in the health and illness of the patient
5. Demonstrate sensitivity and respect when dealing with persons of similar or different gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, education, political views, and personality traits.
6. Teachers must thus role model these attitudes for the students
7. Respect patients and their families, peers and other members of the healthcare team
8. Prioritises the patient's welfare
9. Accepts full responsibilities for shortcomings she or he commits in the management of a patient and readily consults experienced senior colleagues.
10. Committed to lifelong learning by actively participating in continuing professional development
11. Promoting team working spirit
12. Demonstrate effective communication skills, caring, respectful, ethical, professional, and compassionate behaviour when interacting with patients and their families.
13. Demonstrate a commitment to ethical principles with regards to providing or withholding clinical care,

confidentiality of patient information, informed consent, and business practices.

14. Demonstrate sensitivity and responsiveness to patient's culture, age, gender, religion and disabilities
15. To practise interprofessional collaboration in delivering care to patients.
16. Develop lifelong learning skills by attending continuing education sessions and engage in self- directed study.
17. Exhibit good professional communication skills with the patients and their families, colleagues and other members of the healthcare team: verbal, written or by any other means
18. Educate and counsel the patient and family on the findings and what needs to be done.

### **Skills Objectives**

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

1. To take a psychiatric history from the patient and from other source
2. Take a drug and alcohol history
3. Examine the mental state of the patient which skill would be used on other patients
4. Good communication with the patient
5. Able to institute treatment in a difficult patient
6. Share information regarding the presenting complaint, diagnosis, management and prognosis to the patient and family.
7. Impart information about medication and ensure compliance;
8. Conduct an interview to facilitate information-gathering and develop a therapeutic relationship.

### **Information Evaluation Skills**

1. Selection of crucial information to formulate differential diagnoses
2. Evaluation of the role of the patient's social factors and his personality on the presenting complaint
3. Formulation of a treatment plan or referral for specialist attention

### **Treatment Skills**

1. Encourage adherence to treatment and elicit barriers and minimise them
2. Prescribe appropriate medication and recognise adverse drug reactions which should be distinguished from the patient's illness

### **Learning Skills**

1. Sustain self-directed lifelong learning for purposes of keeping up to date with advances in psychiatry during one's professional life

### **Teamwork Skills**

1. Cooperating with colleagues and other healthcare professionals
2. Recognise family, organisations in the community that offer support services and promote mental health

### **Pre-requisites**

Neuroscience and behavioural sciences.  
Clinical Medicine  
Health Care Ethics

### **Course Content:**

1. Introduction to Psychiatry
2. Definition of psychiatry, its scope and specialty
3. Historical development in psychiatry
4. Current classification of psychiatric disorder (DSMRV, ICD 10)

### **Aetiology of Mental Disorders**

1. Socio-cultural theories
2. Genetic theories
3. Environmental theories
4. Biochemical theories
5. Psychopathology
6. Disorders of thought, memory, speech, perception, cognition, motor affect speech.

## **General Adult Psychiatry and Mental Problems**

1. Anxiety Disorders
2. Mood Disorders
3. Psychotic Disorders
4. Somatoform Disorders
5. Personality Disorders
6. Emergency Disorders
7. Sexual Disorders
8. Sleep Disorders
9. Alcohol and Substance use Disorders
10. Disorders associated with Pregnancy
11. Old age Disorders

## **Psychiatric Disorders in Childhood and Adolescence**

1. Encopresis and enuresis
2. Mental retardation
3. Autism spectrum disorders
4. Attention deficit Disorders
5. Conduct Disorder
6. Alcohol and Substance abuse in adolescence
7. Child abuse
8. Principles of child and adolescence psychopharmacology

## **Neuropsychiatric Disorders**

1. Definition and Scope of Neuropsychiatric Disorders
2. Delirium
3. Dementia
4. Informed consent and patients' rights
5. HIV & AIDS associated Dementia
6. Principles of treatment of Neuropsychiatry Disorders

## **Diseases of the Brain**

1. Epilepsy
2. Head Injury
3. Stroke

Ethical and Legal Issues: Confidentiality, competency, informed consent, autonomy and beneficence

1. Legal requirements for admission and/or treatment
2. Issues related to the participation of patients in research
3. The conflict between benefits and social justice
4. Risk/ Competence assessment
5. Criminal responsibility
6. Mental health law, basic knowledge of the Mental Health Act
7. Risk assessment: danger to self and others
8. Pharmacology: treatment of major and minor mental disorders and side effects of treatment.

## **Teaching Methods**

Lectures  
Ward rounds: bedside teaching  
Tutorials  
Seminars  
Web/ICT learning resources  
Clinical rotations  
Case presentations/ small group discussions

### **Contact Hours**

Lectures –	1Hour/ week
Ward Round-	25 Hours/ week
Tutorial –	3 Hours/ week

**Assessment Method**

<b>Continuous Assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Written -	20%
OSCE-	20%
<b>Final Examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written papers-	25%
OSCE-	30%
Oral exam-	5%

**Recommended Textbooks**

1. Glynn M and Drake W. (Eds) (2017). Hutchinson's Clinical Methods: An integrated approach to clinical practice (24th Edition).
2. Elsevier. ISBN-13:978-0702067396, ISBN-10:0702067393.
3. Bickley L. (2008). Bate's Guide to Psychiatry Examination and History Taking (12th Edition) Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. ISBN-13:978-1469893419, ISBN-10:978-1469893419.
4. Saddock B, Saddock V, Ruiz R (2017). Kaplan and Shaddock's Comprehensive Textbook of Psychiatry (2 Volume Set), Lippincott Williams and Wilkins, ISBN-13: 978-1451100471, ISBN-10:1451100477.
5. Gelder M, Andreasen N, Lope-Ibor J, Geddes J. (2012). New Oxford Textbook of Psychiatry. Oxford University Press. ISBN-13:978-0199696758, ISBN-10:0199696756.
6. Journals and Websites to be advised by the lecturer/course coordinator

**(12) Course title: Molecular Medicine**

**Credit hours: 3**  
**Contact hours: 15**  
**Practicals/Clinicals: 90**

**14.5. MAJOR CLINICAL SUBJECTS: SEMESTERS VI, VII, VIII, IX, XI, SXII****(1) Course title: Internal Medicine****Credit hours: 39****Contact hours: 135****Practical/Clinical Round: 2,070****Semesters for the courses to be taught:****VI, VII, VIII (Credit hours: 8, Contact hours: 30, Clinical Rounds: 270),****IX (Credit hours: 19, Contact hours: 45, Clinical Rounds: 720),****XI (Credit hours: 12, Contact hours: 60, Clinical Rounds: 360),****XII (Credit hours: 16, Clinical Rounds: 720)**

## Professional Development

### Introduction.

Professional development is an important aspect in a professional career. The student should therefore start early in their profession to engage and have knowledge of activities that would help them grow in their careers. Lifelong learning is a key factor.

### Course Aim:

Students to know concepts and analytical methods used in health management, essential skills and ethical practice in health care delivery and health research.

### Learning Outcomes/Course objectives

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

1. Appreciate, differentiate and apply ethical theories in healthcare and research.
2. Apply relevant codes of ethics in health care and research.
3. Apply basic epidemiologic concepts (such as incidence, prevalence, relative risk etc) during healthcare delivery.
4. Apply appropriate biostatistics methods in data collection and presentation.
5. Develop a sound research proposal.
6. Conduct research that respects research ethics and legal regulatory frameworks.
7. Apply evidence-based management theories and tools in the healthcare practice.
8. Describe and be able to apply the Health Information Management System in the country.
9. Demonstrate understand different leadership styles, change management concepts and performance appraisals.
10. Communicate effectively with colleagues, patients and the community.
11. Take a comprehensive medical history.
12. Perform a thorough general clinical examination and targeted clinical examination.
13. Perform common clinical procedures on manikins, models and simulated patients carefully
14. Evaluate clinical situations so as to institute appropriate practice as guided by the principles and codes of ethics

### Course Competencies

1. Appreciating and applying different ethical theories in healthcare
  2. Applying basic codes of ethics in every healthcare setting
  3. Formulate and apply relevant ethical positions, guided by the recognized ethical codes in various clinical and research situations
1. Recognizing and responding appropriately to the unprofessional behavior of others.
  2. Applying basic epidemiologic concepts (incidence, prevalence, relative risk) and measures of disease occurrence in the community.
  3. Applying and interpret biostatistics principles in data management during research activities.
  4. Demonstrating high professional skills in conducting research.
  5. Preparing a sound ethical research proposal
  6. Conducting and publishing a research compliant with ethical principles and legal regulatory conduct.
  7. Applying knowledge in bio-statistical data collection, analysis and interpretation.
  8. Describing basic concepts used in statistical analysis.
  9. Applying management theories and tools in the health sector.
  10. Describing and to use the Health Information Management System in the country.
  11. Demonstrating an understanding of different leadership styles, change management concepts and performance appraisals.
  12. Demonstrating knowledge on health planning and management of health service delivery systems.
  13. Describing organizational management and associated theories.

14. Managing financial and material resources efficiently
15. Communicating effectively using appropriate medical terms and expressions applicable to the health sector.
16. Obtaining a comprehensive medical history.
17. Performing a general clinical and targeted clinical examination.
18. Performing common clinical procedures in the skills laboratory.

### **Ethics in Health Care**

1. Various philosophical theories: such as Utilitarianism, Kantianism, Egoism, and Deontology)
2. Values: beneficence, maleficence, justice, autonomy, dignity, truthfulness, honesty, human rights ethics
3. Ethical Codes: Hippocratic Oath, World Medical Association Code of Ethics, Commonwealth Medical Association Code of Ethics, Declaration of Geneva of the World Medical Association, Medical Council of South Sudan.
4. Fundamental Health Care Ethics: doctor-patient relationship, respect for autonomy, patient's right to information, voluntary informed consent, confidentiality, conflict of interest.
5. Common ethical dilemmas issues: abortion, AIDS, assisted procreation, child abuse, dealing with minors, blood transfusion, post-mortem, euthanasia, genetic manipulation, experimentation on humans, tissue and organ transplants, priorities in health care, priorities on who to offer service, right to life, torture, emergency treatment, infamous conduct, fitness to practice, relationships with colleagues, improper professional behavior.
6. Research Ethics: the Role of Research Ethics Committees/Institutional Review Boards – IRBs, Declaration of Helsinki, Belmont Report, Nuremburg Informed consent, Conflict of interest, Benefit of the subjects, Risks disclosure, Academic fraud & plagiarism).

### **Medicine Fundamentals:**

#### Medicine Fundamentals: Medical Terminology

##### Medical Terminology:

Introduction

Basics

Medical prefixes and suffixes

Word roots for organs

Combining Vowels

##### Medical Terminology: Prefixes

Prefix use

Location or position prefixes

Size prefixes

Amount prefixes

Colour prefixes

Negative prefixes

Others

##### Medical Terminology: Suffixes

Suffix use

Conditions/Disease suffixes

Adjective suffixes

Signs and symptoms suffixes

Surgical suffixes

Medical profession and specialist suffixes

##### Medical Terminology: Putting it all together

Word Analysis

Singular to Plural Forms

Eponymous Terms

Directional Terms and Body Planes

Drug Administration

Drug Classes

## Recommended Text books

### Medical Terminology

1. Collins, Edward, C., Ann DePetris. (2010) A Short Course in Medical Terminology. London: Lippincott William & Wilkins.
2. Chabner, Davi-Ellen. (2005) Medical Terminology: A Short Course. 6th Edition. London: Sanders.  
Davies, Juanita, J., (2007) Essentials of Medical Terminology. 22nd Edition. Delmar: Cengage Learning.

### Medicine fundamentals: Clinical Methods

1. History Taking and Communication Skills
2. The patient interview
3. Systems review
4. Verbal and non-verbal communication

### Physical Examination Skills

1. General examination
2. Cranial nerves
3. Ear, Nose, Throat and Eyes
4. Upper limb
5. Lower limb
6. Cardiovascular
7. Respiratory
8. Abdomen
9. Neurological including cranial nerves
10. Mental status examination
11. Pelvic examination

### Skills Training

1. Lumbar puncture
2. Venepuncture and cannulation
3. Umbilical vein/artery cannulation
4. Bladder cauterization
5. Suturing
6. Thoracentesis: diagnostic peritoneo-centesis, colposcopy and aspiration Pelvic Inspection
7. Nasogastric intubation and gastric lavage recto- sigmoid intubation and deflation
8. Simple microscopy e.g. for Malaria
9. Urinalysis
10. Examination of stool

## Recommended Text books

### Clinical Methods

1. Swash, M. and Glynn M. (Eds.) (2007) Hutchinson's Clinical Methods: An integrated approach to clinical practice. 22nd Edition. London:
2. Saunders Elsevier Jarvis, C. (2004) Physical Examination & Health Assessment. 4th Ed. Missouri: Saunders-Elsevier.
3. Bickley, L (2008) Bates' Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking. 10th Ed. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
4. Coulehan, J. and Block, M (2005) The Medical Interview: Mastering Skills for Clinical Practice. 5th Ed. Philadelphia: F.A. Davis Company.
5. Dehn, R. and Asprey, D. (2006) Essential Clinical Procedures. Edinburgh: Saunders.

## **COURSE TITLE: UROLOGY CLERKSHIP**

### **Introduction:**

The goal of the course is to introduce medical students to the diagnostic principles and management of the genitourinary tract diseases. The course wishes to impart the students with knowledge and skills to manage the diseases in the first instance before referral to a specialist urologist for the definitive and final care.

**Pre-requisites:** Knowledge and skills gained in the 4th year courses, applied basic sciences. Normal anatomy and physiology of the genitourinary system

### **Course Aims:**

1. To expose the students to learn about the common aspects of urology through hands on exposure during their urology attachment: outpatient, inpatient, operating rooms.
2. To acquire competence in the diagnosis, and management of common urological conditions at the intern level and ready to further build up their competences during the internship year.
3. To achieve competence in recognising these conditions for referring complex cases to an urologist.

### **Course Objectives /Learning Outcomes**

#### **Knowledge:**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Explain the basic sciences' (anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, pathology) roles in the signs and symptoms of disease in relation to the disease severity.
2. Explain the rationale for bedside laboratory investigations in formulating a diagnosis and the ongoing monitoring of the disease process.
3. Interpretation of laboratory results and other investigations to aid diagnosis and patient management.
4. Explain the therapeutic approaches in the management of diseases
5. Identify drugs that are used to treat common diseases

#### **Skills Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should demonstrate competence in the following skills:

1. Accurately elicit and interpret signs and symptoms of diseases
2. Accurately enter in the patient's records clearly and concisely written notes
3. Formulate treatment plans for patients
4. Perform appropriate bedside therapeutic and diagnostic procedures
5. Institute basic life support
6. Exhibit good professional communication skills with the patients and their families, colleagues and other members of the healthcare team: verbal, written or by any other means
7. Take an accurate, appropriate, and full urological history.
8. Conduct an appropriate physical urological examination.
9. Use appropriate diagnostic approaches to formulate a diagnosis.
10. Develop and execute a management plan.
11. Educate and counsel the patient and family on the findings and what needs to be done.
12. Obtain information about the community from which the patient is coming from.
13. Develop the necessary skills to critically appraise the published literature before one applies the "new approach" on their patients.
14. Use information technology to access on-line medical information to support the education of the patient and the community.
15. Perform and interpret urinalysis, urine culture and sensitivity tests, post-void residual urine residual urine measurement, gram stain, wet prep, and sperm analysis.

#### **Attitudinal objectives:**

At the end of the course the student should be able to demonstrate the following attitudes:

1. Respect patients and their families, peers and other members of the healthcare team
2. Prioritises the patient's welfare
3. Accepts full responsibilities for shortcomings she or he commits in the management of a patient and readily consults experienced senior colleagues.
4. Committed to lifelong learning by actively participating in continuing professional development
5. Promoting team working spirit
6. Demonstrate effective communication skills, caring, respectful, ethical, professional, and compassionate behavior when interacting with patients and their families.
7. Demonstrate a commitment to ethical principles with regards to providing or withholding clinical care, confidentiality of patient information, informed consent, and business practices.
8. Demonstrate sensitivity and responsiveness to patient's culture, age, gender, religion and disabilities

9. To practise interprofessional collaboration in delivering care to patients.
10. Develop lifelong learning skills by attending continuing education sessions and engage in self- directed study.
11. Perform bladder catheterisation of adult women and men.
12. Perform a suprapubic tap on an infant.
13. Evaluate renal function tests. Carry out the necessary investigations to aid the formulating the diagnosis.
14. When possible information technology should be used to aid in diagnosis and patient education.
15. Make evidence-based decision based on up to date information in the medical literature

**Course Content:**

**Lower urinary tract**

1. Adult and children acute and chronic cystitis
2. Differential diagnosis and treatment of urethritis
3. Scrotal masses: hydrocele, spermatocele
4. Torsion of testes
5. Epididymitis
6. Use and misuse of urinary catheters
7. Circumcision
8. Vasectomy
9. Prostatitis and BPH
10. Prostatic cancer: Differential diagnosis, treatment, indications for PSA.
11. Other cancers: penis, testes, bladder
12. Undescended testes, phimosis and paraphimosis; hypospadias; balanitis; varicocele of testes
13. Scrotal trauma

**Upper urinary tract**

1. Pyelonephrosis
2. Renal and ureteral colic, workup for renal stones and management
3. Renal neoplasms
4. Flank pain

**Others**

1. Impotence
2. Incontinence
3. Infertility
4. Urinalysis: semen analysis
5. Imaging: IVP, VCUG, Renal scan, CT
6. Pediatric and adult differential diagnosis of haematuria
7. Nocturnal enuresis
8. Urological problems of paraplegics
9. Differential and treatment of vesiculoureteral reflux.
10. U-V reflex
11. Acute urinary obstruction
12. Venereal disease
13. Common cancers

**Teaching Methods:**

- Clinical rotations
- Bedside teaching
- Tutorials
- Seminars
- Lectures
- Web/ICT based learning and teaching

**Assessment Methods**

**Rationale:**

A student who fails the clinical competence assessment of the course shall be deemed to have failed the course. The assessment methods used will reflect the learning objectives of the course.

<b>Continuous Assessment-</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Final Examination (written and clinical) -</b>	<b>60%</b>

### **Recommended Text Books**

1. Merseburger A, Kucyk M, Moul J. (2014). Urology at a Glance (2014 Edition). Springer. ISBN-13: 978-3642548581, ISBN-10:364254858X.
2. Reynard J, Brewster S, Biers S (2013). Oxford Handbook of Urology (Oxford Medical Handbooks) (3rd Edition). Oxford University Press, ISBN-13:978-0199696130.ISBN-10: 9780199696130.
3. Dunnick NR, Newhouse JH, Cohan RH, Maturen KE. (2017). Genitourinary Radiology (6th Edition). LWW.ISBN-13:978-1496356192.ISBN-10:9781496356192.

Journals and Websites to be provided by the lecturer.

### **COURSE TITLE: FOUNDATIONS IN CLINICAL MEDICINE:**

#### **Introduction**

This course offers students the opportunity to learn basic principles required for the practice of medicine through interactive large and small group seminars, direct patient interaction, and one-on-one mentorship by practising clinicians, and standardized patient/ simulation training sessions. Topics covered in this course include medical interviewing, the screening physical examination, doctor-patient relationship, clinical reasoning, humanism and professionalism, and health promotion/ disease prevention.

#### **Course Aim**

To introduce students to essential aspects of effective and compassionate care of patients in a professional and ethical manner.

#### **Learning Objectives/ Course Objectives**

By the end of this course the student should be able to:

1. Take a comprehensive history of a patient
2. Conduct a systematic approach to examining a patient
3. Demonstrate holistic attributes and appropriate linguistic skills
4. Examine a patient system by system
5. Record one's findings and communicate them to colleagues.
6. Demonstrate skills in investigating and observing in the skills lab and on standardised patients.

#### **Course Content**

##### **History taking and communication skills**

1. The patient interview
2. Systems review
3. Verbal and non-verbal communication

##### **Physical Examination Skills**

1. General examination
2. Cranial nerves
3. Ear, Nose, Throat and Eyes
4. Upper limb
5. Lower limb
6. Cardiovascular
7. Respiratory
8. Abdomen
9. Neurological including cranial nerves
10. Mental status examination
11. Pelvic examination

##### **Skills Training**

1. Lumbar puncture
2. Venipuncture and cannulation
3. Pelvic examination
4. Catherisation
5. Suturing
6. Paracentesis / thoracentesis / pericardiocentesis
7. Nasogastric intubation

8. Ultrasound.
9. Urinalysis
10. Examination of stool

### Teaching/Training Methods

Small-group learning  
 Demonstrations and/or practice opportunities  
 Cross-cultural, standardized patient (SP) interview  
 Interactive lectures,  
 Skill-building small group sessions,  
 Clinical reasoning exercises,  
 Role-play, and  
 Directly supervised patient interaction

### Assessment Methods:

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
Continuous assessment tests/reflective portfolio -	35%
Laboratory/practical reports/OSCE -	5%

<b>Final written examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Paper 1 - Essays and short notes-	30%
Paper 2 -Multiple choice questions-	30%
OSCE	

### Recommended Text Books

1. Swash, M. and Glynn M. (Eds) (2007). Hutchinson's clinical methods: an integrated approach to clinical practice (22nd Edition). Edinburgh, London. Saunders Elsevier. ISBN 978 0 7020 27987.
2. Macleod J (ed). Davidson's Principles and Practice of Medicine: a text book for students and doctors. (14th Ed). Churchill Livingstone. Edinburgh, 1984.
3. Bickley, L (2008). Bates' Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking (10th Ed). Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. ISBN-10: 0781780586.
4. Kumar P, Clark M. Clinical Medicine (13th Ed). Bailliere Tindall; London 1994.
5. Cook G. Mansons Tropical Medicine (20th Ed). WB Saunders Company Ltd; London, 1996.
6. Macleod J. Clinical Examination (6th Ed.) Churchill Livingstone. Edinburgh, 198.
7. Toghil PJ. Examining Patients. An introduction to clinical medicine. Edward Arnold. London 1990.

### **COURSE TITLE: INTERNAL MEDICINE JUNIOR CLERKSHIP**

#### Introduction

This course introduces the clinical skills for obtaining relevant history and eliciting physical signs. The student is expected to acquire the attitudes required to practice Clinical Medicine through observation and practice. The student is also introduced to bedside practical procedures and investigations in Internal Medicine.

#### Course Aim

To introduce the principles of practice in Internal Medicine

#### Learning Outcomes/ Course Objectives

#### Knowledge objectives:

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Take a sensitive and thorough medical history
2. Recognise symptoms and signs of common disease conditions
3. Recognise symptoms and signs of common medical emergencies
4. Explain the physiological, anatomical and pathological basis for symptoms and signs of diseases
5. Analyse and synthesise symptoms and signs to identify the underlying disease processes

6. Acquire knowledge about disorders of different systems
7. Identify laboratory or bedside investigations required to evaluate various disease states to make a diagnosis or monitor clinical progress
8. Interpret results of laboratory and clinical investigations in order to make a diagnosis and assist the clinical management of patients.

#### **Skills Objectives:**

At the end of the course, the student should demonstrate competence in the following skills:

1. Obtain a clinically useful medical history from patients
2. Elicit physical signs using correct techniques
3. Perform basic bedside procedures
4. To perform a complete history and physical examination of a patient with a febrile illness
5. Demonstrate understanding of immunisations
6. Demonstrate ability to examine the skin: preparation, describe skin lesions, inspection ( shape, colour, shape, size, border, excoriation, ulcer/erosion, weeping,, crusting, hyperkeratosis, blood vessels,, odour
7. Able to carry out a skin snip
8. Demonstrate ability to carry out a blood film and stain it
9. Understand appropriate antibiotic use in different situations:
  - i) community acquired infections, pneumonia, ii) nosocomial pneumonia ii) bacterial endocarditis iii) sepsis
  - iv) diabetic soft tissue infections iv) urinary tract infections
10. Interpersonal skills and communication: effective communication with patients, families, colleagues and other healthcare professionals
11. Present information concisely and clearly
12. Professionalism

#### **Attitudinal Objectives:**

At the end of the course, the student should demonstrate the following attitudes:

1. Respect of the patient's privacy, religious, cultural or other beliefs
2. Engage in interprofessional collaborative practice to improve patient outcomes
3. Confidentiality of the information obtained from patients in the course of his/ her training
4. Awareness of his/her professional limitations
5. Commitment to life-long learning
6. Respect for other health care professionals

#### **Course Content**

##### **Introduction to bedside medicine**

1. The doctor and the other members of health care
2. Doctor patient relations
3. History taking and physical examination
4. Laboratory investigations and invasive procedures
5. Principles of in-patient and out-patient care
6. Community-based versus hospital-based medicine

##### **Infectious Diseases: Emphasis on common conditions in the Republic of South Sudan**

1. Principles of infectious diseases: viral, bacterial, fungal, and parasitic
2. Pathophysiology of symptoms and signs of infection
3. Clinical features of common infectious conditions in South Sudan
4. Approaches to the investigation of infectious diseases
5. Management and care including prevention
6. Emergent Infectious Diseases
7. Causes of fever
8. Interpretation: culture and sensitivity data on: sputum, urine, blood, wound and quantitative burn cultures. Serology studies: viral diseases (HIV, hepatitis, EBV, CMV, others), syphilis, etc; parasitic and bacterial
9. Preparation and interpretation of gram stains and AFB smears
10. Pharmacokinetics, side effects, toxicities, dosing of antibiotics

## Respiratory Medicine

1. Clinical examination of the respiratory system
2. Applied anatomy and physiology
3. Investigation of respiratory diseases  
Pulmonary function tests pulmonary diagnostic tests

### Spirometry

Bronchial challenge test

Lung volumes and DLCO

Pulmonary testing interpretation

6 minute walk test

Pulse oximetry

Imaging and bronchoscopy

4. Principles of respiratory medicine
5. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of respiratory disease
6. Clinical features of common respiratory diseases in South Sudan.
  - Cough
  - Breathlessness
  - Chest pain
  - Haemoptysis
  - Incidental image findings
  - Pleural effusion
  - Respiratory failure
7. Obstructive pulmonary disease
  - Asthma
  - Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
  - Bronchiectasis
  - Cystic fibrosis
8. Infections of the respiratory system
  - Upper respiratory tract infections
  - Pneumonias
  - Suppurative lung disease (lung abscess, empyema, bronchiectasis)
  - Chronic bronchitis and emphysema
  - Pulmonary tuberculosis
    - Pulmonary fibrosis
  - Phelumocosis
  - Fungal infections
9. Tumours of the bronchus and lungs
  - Carcinoma of the bronchus and bronchial adenoma
  - Tumours of the mediastinum
  - Secondary lung tumours
  - Primary lung tumours
  - Lung tumours in South Sudan
10. Interstitial and infiltrative pulmonary diseases
  - Diffuse parenchymal lung disease
  - Lung disease caused by organic and inorganic dust and systemic inflammatory diseases, irradiation and drugs
11. Pulmonary vascular lung diseases
  - Venous thromboembolism
  - Pulmonary hypertension
12. Diseases of the upper airway
  - Nasopharynx
  - Sleeping disorders
  - Laryngeal and tracheal disorders
13. Diseases of the pleura , diaphragm and chest wall
  - Pleura
  - Diaphragm

### **Cardiovascular Medicine**

1. Principles of cardiac function in health and disease
2. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of cardiovascular system and diseases
3. Clinical features of common cardiovascular diseases
4. Approaches to the investigation of cardiovascular diseases
5. Pathophysiology of cardiac failure
6. Valvular heart diseases (RHD)
7. Hypertension
8. Ischaemic heart disease
9. Infective endocarditis
10. Common arrhythmias
11. Cardiomyopathy
12. Cardiac arrest
13. Pulmonary embolism
14. Diseases of the pericardium

### **Clinical syndromes:**

1. Urinary tract infections
2. Sinusitis/otitis: diagnosis, treatment possible complications
3. Tuberculosis: epidemiology, clinical manifestations, diagnosis, management
4. Skin, soft tissue infections, management and complications
5. Pneumonias: community acquired, nosocomial
6. Meningitis, encephalitis, other nervous system infections
7. Opportunistic infections; clinical presentation, management, prophylaxis  
Diseases
8. Surgical wound
9. Sepsis
10. Fungemia
11. Osteomyelitis
12. Infections in trauma patients
13. Fever

## **Emerging infectious diseases and outbreaks**

### **HIV, AIDS, COVID-19/Ebola/Zika /Hepatitis**

#### **A. HIV and AIDS**

1. Aetiology, pathophysiology
2. Clinical manifestations.
3. Epidemiology
4. HIV tests reactivity:
5. Management and care: guided by National Guidelines for HIV and AIDS
  - i) HIV diagnostic algorithm: HIV-1 and HIV-2  
Screening with an antigen-antibody test  
Testing of reactive samples using HIV-1/2 differential assay  
Confirmatory testing  
Point-of-care sampling (oral swab, finger prick blood sample)
  - ii) Serologic tests: 1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> generation  
Serological diagnostic tests: HIV antigen-antibody laboratory based  
HIV antigen-antibody point-of care tests  
HIV antibody laboratory-based tests  
HIV antibody point-of-care tests

- HIV diagnostic HIV 1 /2 differential assays
- HIV nucleic acid diagnostic test
- HIV-1 Western Blot laboratory tests
- In-home HIV testing
- 6. HIV testing algorithm: Initial testing
  - Differential assay
  - HIV Nucleic acid testing
  - Interpretation of results
- 7. False-negative and false-positive HIV tests
- 8. Communicating test results

### **Antiretroviral Medications and Initial Therapy**

- a) Reverse transcription and reverse transcriptase inhibitors
- b) HIV reverse transcriptase, reverse transcription, reverse transcriptase inhibitors (nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors, non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors)
- c) HIV integration and integrase strand transfer inhibitors
- d) HIV integrase, HIV integration, Integrase strand transfer inhibitors
- e) HIV protein processing and HIV protease inhibitors (HIV protease, polyprotein processing and maturation, protease inhibitors)
- f) Initiation of antiretroviral therapy:
- G) To reduce morbidity and mortality
- g) follow National Guidelines on antiretroviral therapy
- h) Factors affecting antiretroviral regimen
- i) National Guidelines
- k) Pre-treatment HIV RNA level
- l) Pre-treatment CD4 Cell count
  - Pre-treatment of HIV, drug resistance
    - Food requirements: abacavir-lamivudine, tenofovir DF-emtricitabine, tenofovir alafenamide- emtricitabine can be taken with or without food.
    - Rilpivirine, atazanarvir, efavirenz
    - Chronic kidney disease
    - Osteoporosis
    - Psychiatric illness
    - Dementia
    - Cardiac problems
- m) Response to ARVS
- n) Prevention of HIV and AIDS. National Guidelines on HIV and AIDS

### **HIV and Immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome (IRIS)**

1. Definitions: IRIS, signs and symptoms, Immune restoration disease, causes of IRIS, paradoxical IRIS, and unmasking IRIS
2. Signs and symptoms of IRIS
3. Pathophysiology of IRIS (paradoxical, unmasking), mortality
4. Timing of ART initiation in patients with opportunistic infections and prevention of IRIS

### **Opportunistic Infections**

#### Initiation of ART during treatment of opportunistic infections

- Pulmonary tuberculosis
- TB meningitis, Extrapulmonary TB
- Cryptococcal meningitis
- CMV Retinitis
- Cryptosporidiosis
- Microsporidiosis
- Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy
- Kaposi's sarcoma
- Pneumocystis jiroveci pneumonia
- Hepatitis B virus infection
- Hepatitis C virus infection

Herpes simplex virus (HSV) and varicella zoster (VZV)  
Candidiasis

### **HIV-associated malignancies**

Epidemiology  
Pathophysiology  
Signs and symptoms, management  
Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma  
CNS lymphoma  
Lymphoproliferative disorders  
Kaposi sarcoma  
Cervical cancer  
Anal cancer

### **COVID-19 Disease**

- i) Aetiology: SARS-CoV-2, pathophysiology, diagnosis, , prevention efforts  
Basic virology/immunology  
Investigations and therapeutics  
Clinical features  
Managemnt: home care, hospital facilities, ICU care  
Acute, long term  
Vaccines
- ii) Epidemiology: pandemic,public health interventions, effect of preventive measures ( economy, education, community, education)  
Local and global responses, mitigation measures  
Epidemiological principles in the spread (n super spreading) of COVID-19  
Morbidity and mortality. Locally and globally
- iii) Mental health health issues under the COCID-19 pandemic  
Community and healthcare workers  
Definition of RO, Re, flattening of the curve, epidemic curve  
COVID-10 and socioeconomic status: locally and globally
- iv). Communicating information about COVID-19 (aetiology, treatment, mitigation measures, vaccines)

### **C. ZIKA VIRUS**

- i). Virology and pathogenesis: positive-sense single-stranded RNA virus, Flaviviridae family, mosquito-borne viruses ( Dengue Virus (DENV), West Nile fever virus (WNV), yellow fever virus (YEV)
- ii) Epidemiology: Africa, Asia, Americas
- iii). Transmission: -transmitted by mosquitoes, primarily the Aedes (Stegomyia) genus including other Aedes species ( Ae.aegypti, Ae.africanus, Ae. Hensilli, Ae. Albopictus  
- Nonvector transmission: congenital, perinatal, sexual, possibly blood transmission, animal bite
- iv). Clinical manifestations: incubation period: 3-12 days,  
Clinical features: subclinical, mild influenza –like illness, severe manifestations (Guillain- Barre syndrome in adults, microcephaly in babies born to infected mothers  
Asymptomatic in most cases, all ages are affected  
Symptomatic: mild, self-limiting, nonspecific: rash, fever, arthralgia, myalgia, fatigue, headache, conjunctivitis  
Severe symptoms: microcephaly in infants
- v). Laboratory invdestigations: often, normal blood count, non-specific changes: mild lymphopenia, mild neutropenia, mild-to-moderate thrombocytopenia
- vi). Diagnosis: Clinical evaluation unreliable.  
Laboratory testing important to avoid clinical overlap with other arbor viruses (Chikungunya virus (CHIKV), Dengue virus (DENV).  
PCR- based assay  
Molecular amplification (RT-PCR) on serum, specific diagnostic  
Serology testing limited, cross reactivity (IgM and IgG  
Urine and saliva may be used
- vii).Management and Prevention: No specific treatment available

Supportive management: rest, fluids, antipyretics, analgesics (aspirin and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs to be avoided).

viii). Prevention: prevent mosquito bites: personal level, insect repellents, bed nets

Community level: eliminate potential mosquito breeding sites, potted plants, water storage units, insecticide spraying, serial foetal monitoring

**D. Ebola Virus (EBOV):** Ebola virus disease (EVD), EBOVA Makona

i. Virology and pathogenesis: Member of the Ebola virus genus, Filoviridae family of negative-sense, single-stranded, acute haemorrhagic fever

Discovery history

ii) Epidemiology: West Africa, East Africa

iii). Signs and symptoms: fever, aches and pains (severe headaches, muscle and joint pains), weakness and fatigue, sore throat, loss of appetite, gastrointestinal symptoms (abdominal pain, diarrhea, vomiting), unexplained haemorrhage, bleeding or bruising, red eyes, skin rash, hiccups (late-stage), mimicking influenza, malaria or typhoid fever

EVD: rare, severe deadly

Antibodies to infection detectable in blood, 10 years after recovery

iii). Transmission: contact with an infected animal (fruit bat, nonhuman primate), spillover event: person to person, large numbers infected

spreads: direct contact, broken skin or mucous membrane, eyes, nose, mouth: body fluids (urine, saliva, sweat, faeces, vomit, breast, amniotic fluid, semen, sick person or dead

infected fruit bats, nonhuman primates (apes and monkeys)

semen (recovered person (oral, vaginal or oral sex), vaginal fluids of infected person

Incubation period

Spread only when one is symptomatic

iv). Risk: Healthcare workers while caring for Ebola patients, family and friends.

Little risk for travellers or general public except close contact with sick person (3 feet or 1 metre)

v). Persistence of the virus:

## **F. Hepatitis A, B, C**

### **Hepatitis A (HAV)**

i) Virology: enterovirus picornavirus, highly infectious, pathophysiology

ii) Transmission: faecal-oral route spread, asymptomatic infected persons excrete in faeces for 2-3 weeks, common infection in children, overcrowding and poor sanitation, outbreaks, water and shellfish transmission, no chronic carrier status

iii) Investigations: HAV antigen, anti HAV-antigen, IgM antibodies for diagnosis  
Excreted in stool 7-14 days,

iv) Clinical features: Acute hepatitis acute liver failure, aplastic anemia, chronic liver disease, cirrhosis, relapsing hepatitis

Usually self-limiting

Severity age-related

Jaundice, dark urine

Enlarged tender liver

Malaise

Anorexia

Nausea

Splenomegaly

Rising levels of serum alanine and aspartate aminotransferase

High bilirubin level

v) IgM antibody to antigen HAV

vi) Management: Community level: prevention, improved social conditions

Individual level: immunisation, immune serum globulin

### **Hepatitis B (HBV)**

i) Virology: hepatitis B virus; core DNA, DNA polymerase for replication, morphology  
Hepatitis B core antigen (HBcAg)

### Hepatitis B e antigen (HBeAg)

Chronic infection: presence of HBsAg and anti-HBc (IgG)

- ii) Clinical features: malaise, anorexia,, nausea, vomiting, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly
- iii) Source of HBV: horizontal transmission-injection drug use, infected transfused blood,tattoo/acupuncture needles  
Vertical transmission: HBsAg-positive mother
- iv) Management: supportive treatment  
Acute and Chronic HBV infection  
Interferon-alfa, lamivudine
- v) Prevention: Vaccine
- vi) At risk groups: Sharing toothbrushes/ razor  
Vertical transmission  
Unscreened blood product  
Needlestick injury  
iatrogenic parenteral transmission (contaminated needles)  
Medical and nursing staff  
Patients with chronic liver disease  
Chronic dialysis patients

### Hepatitis C virus (HCV)

Virology: RNA flavivirus, several genotypes

Signs and symptoms: Bleeding easily

- Bruising easily
- Fatigue
- Poor appetite
- Jaundice
- Dark coloured urine
- Itchy skin
- Ascites
- Weight loss
- Confusion, drowsiness and slurred speech (hepatic encephalopathy)
- Spiderlike blood vessels on the skin (spider angiomas)

Investigations: Serology and virology  
Molecular analysis  
Liver function tests  
Liver histology

Management: Aim is to eradicate the infection  
Pegylated  $\alpha$ -interferon weekly subcutaneously, oral ribavirin; side effects  
Treatment period  
Liver transplant  
Risk factors for progression to cirrhosis: male gender, immunosuppression, heavy alcohol  
Misuse

Risk factors for acquiring chronic hepatitis C infection: IV drug abuse  
Unscreened blood products  
Vertical transmission  
Needlestick injury  
Iatrogenic parenteral transmission  
Sharing toothbrush/razors

## **Renal and urinary tract Medicine**

### **Clinical examination of the kidney and urinary tract**

#### **Applied anatomy and physiology**

1. Approaches to the investigation of kidney and urinary tract disease
2. Principles of kidney function in health and disease
3. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of kidney and urinary tract diseases
4. Clinical features of common kidney and urinary tract diseases
  - Urinary tract infection
  - Loin pain
  - Abnormal micturition
  - Erectile dysfunction
  - Haematuria
  - Proteinuria
  - Oedema
  - Hypertension
  - Acute renal failure
  - Chronic kidney disease (chronic, renal failure)
5. Renal replacement therapy
6. Renal vascular disease
7. Glomerular diseases
  - Glomerulonephritis
  - Inherited glomerular disease
8. Tubulo- interstitial diseases
  - Interstitial nephritis
  - Cystic kidney disease
  - Isolated defects of tubular function
9. Diseases of the collecting system and ureters
10. Diseases of the lower genitourinary tract
11. Diseases of the prostate gland
12. Tumours of the kidney and the urinary tract
  - Tumours of the kidney
  - Tumours of the renal pelvis, ureters, and bladder
13. Renal involvement in systemic conditions
14. Drugs and the kidney

## **Gastrointestinal (GIT) Medicine**

### **Clinical examination of the gastrointestinal system**

**Basic sciences:** applied anatomy and physiology Principles of GIT function in health and disease

Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of GIT tract diseases

Clinical features of common GIT tract diseases

Approaches to the investigation of GIT diseases

Principles of GIT function in health and disease

**Presentation of GIT diseases:** dysphagia, dyspepsia, vomiting, GIT bleeding, diarrhoea, malabsorption, weight loss, constipation, abdominal pain

### **Diseases of the mouth and salivary glands**

**Diseases of the oesophagus:** gastrooesophageal reflux, motility disorders, tumours of the oesophagus, perforation of the oesophagus, congenital malformations, bleeding

**Diseases of the stomach and duodenum:** gastritis, peptic and duodenal ulcers, functional disorders, tumours of the stomach

**Diseases of the small intestines:** disorders causing malabsorption, motility disorders, miscellaneous disorders of the small intestine, adverse food reactions, infections of the small intestines, tumours of the small intestines

**Diseases of the pancreas:** acute pancreatitis, chronic pancreatitis, congenital malformations, tumours of the pancreas

Inflammatory bowel disease

Irritable bowel syndrome

Ischaemic gut injury

Disorders of the colon and rectum: tumours of the colon and rectum, diverticulosis, constipation disorders, of defaecation, colonic infections, anorectal disorders, diseases of the peritoneal cavity

## **Liver and biliary tract diseases**

Clinical examination of the abdomen for liver and biliary diseases

Applied anatomy and physiology of the liver and biliary system

Hepatobiliary disease investigations

Tests: (liver function, haematological, immunological,), radiological imaging, liver biopsy, non-invasive markers of hepatic fibrosis

### **Clinical presentation of liver diseases**

Abnormal liver function tests

Jaundice

Acute liver failure

Hepatomegaly

Variceal bleeding

Ascites

Hepatic encephalopathy

### **Cirrhosis**

#### **Portal hypertension**

#### **Hepatic infectious diseases**

Viral hepatitis

HIV liver infection

#### **Alcoholic liver disease**

Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

#### **Drugs, toxins and the liver**

Hepatotoxic drug reactions

#### **Inherited liver diseases**

Haemochromatosis

Wilson disease

Alpha<sub>1</sub>-antitrypsin deficiency

Gilbert syndrome

#### **Autoimmune hepatitis**

#### **Intrahepatic biliary diseases**

Primary biliary cirrhosis

Secondary biliary cirrhosis

Primary sclerosing cholangitis

Cystic and fibropolycystic disease

Intrahepatic cholestasis

#### **Liver tumours and focal hepatic lesions**

Hepatocellular carcinoma

Secondary malignant tumours

Benign tumours

Liver abscess

#### **Vascular hepatic diseases**

Hepatic arterial disease

Portal venous thrombosis

Hepatopulmonary syndrome

Portopulmonary hypertension

Hepatic venous outflow obstruction

Nodular regenerative hyperplasia of the liver

#### **Pregnancy and the liver**

Intercurrent and pre-existing liver diseases

Pregnancy-associated liver disease

#### **Liver transplantation**

## **Gallbladder and extrahepatic biliary disease**

- Gallstones
- Cholecystitis
- Choledocholithiasis
- Tumours of the gallbladder and bile duct

## **Endocrine Medicine**

Clinical examination in endocrine diseases

Functional anatomy and physiology

Endocrine pathology

Investigations of endocrine diseases

Imaging Techniques: role and interpretation of imaging techniques in diagnosis and management of Endocrine disease

1. Principles of endocrine function in health and disease
2. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of disorders
3. Clinical features of common endocrine diseases
4. Approaches to the investigation of endocrine diseases
5. Causes, diagnosis, management and care of patients with disorders of the hypothalamus, pituitary gland
6. Basal and dynamic tests of pituitary function
7. Management of functioning and non-functioning pituitary gland
8. Diagnose and manage hypopituitarism, diabetes insipidus
9. Managing patients during and after pituitary tumour surgery
10. Diagnose and manage patients with SIADH, thirst dysregulation and other water balance disorders
11. Disorders of growth: assessment of normal growth, pubertal stages and treat growth disorders
12. **Disorders of the thyroid gland**
13. Anatomy and physiology  
Clinical features: thyrotoxicosis, hypothyroidism, asymptomatic abnormal thyroid function tests  
thyroid enlargement, autoimmune thyroid disease, transient thyroiditis, iodine-associated thyroid disease, simple and multinodular goitre, thyroid neoplasia, congenital thyroid disease
14. **Parathyroid glands:** Functional anatomy and physiology  
Investigation of parathyroid diseases  
Disorders of the parathyroid:  
Clinical features: hypercalcaemia, hypocalcaemia, primary hyperthyroidism, familial hypocalciuric, hypercalcaemia, hypothyroidism
15. Other endocrine and metabolic disorders:  
hypoglycaemia, neuroendocrine tumours, ectopic hormone production
16. **Adrenal glands**  
**Functional anatomy and physiology**  
**Clinical features:**  
Cushing's syndrome  
Therapeutic use of glucocorticoids  
Adrenal insufficiency  
Incidental adrenal mass  
Primary hyperaldosteronism  
Pheochromocytoma and paraganglioma  
Congenital adrenal hyperplasia

## 17. The reproductive system:

### Functional anatomy and physiology

Investigations of diseases of the reproductive system

Clinical features

- Delayed puberty
- Amenorrhea
- Male hypogonadism
- Infertility
- Gynaecomastia
- Hirsutism
- Klinefelter syndrome
- Polycystic ovarian syndrome
- Turner's syndrome
- Testicular tumours

## 18. The hypothalamus and pituitary gland

Applied physiology and anatomy

Investigations of diseases of the hypothalamus and pituitary gland

Clinical features

- Pituitary disease
- Hypopituitarism
- Pituitary tumour
- Hyperprolactaemia/galactorrhea
- Prolactinoma
- Acromegaly
- Craniopharyngioma
- Diabetes insipidus

### 19. Diseases affecting multiple endocrine glands

Multiple endocrine neoplasia

Werner's syndrome

Sipple's syndrome

## 20. Autoimmune polyendocrine syndromes

Type 1 and Type 2

### Type 1

Addison's disease

Hypoparathyroidism

Type 1 diabetes

Primary hypothyroidism

Chronic mucocutaneous candidiasis

Nail dystrophy

Dental enamel hypoplasia

### Type 2

Addison's disease

Primary hypothyroidism

Grave's disease

Pernicious anaemia

Primary hypogonadism

Type 1 diabetes

Vitiligo

Coeliac disease

Myasthenia gravis

## **Diabetology (Diabetes Mellitus, DM)**

1. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms
2. Clinical features
3. History taking and examination
4. Management of diabetic patients
5. Multidisciplinary care approach
6. Acceptable target range of Hb1Ac for diabetic patients
7. Approaches to investigation
8. Systemic manifestations : eye diseases,renal diseases and hypertension, neuropathy and erectile dysfunction, foot disease, lipid disease, diabetic retinopathy
9. Predisposing factors and prevention measures
10. Role of information technology in diabetic care
11. Diabetic care support groups
12. Pathophysiology of metabolic disturbances and principles of management
13. Pathophysiology of metabolic disturbances and principles of management, investigation, prevention: hyperglycaemic and hypoglycaemic emergenc
14. Impact of other treatments on management of glycaemia:steroids/parenteral nutrition
15. Interaction of surgery/acute illness and diabetes
16. Diabetes in conception and pregnancy,contraception, surgery,cardiovascular and cerebrovascular illnesses
17. Age-related conditions and diabetes: young people, elderly, co-morbidities in the elderly
18. Effect of diabetes on growth, physiological and psycho-social factors affecting glycaemia, effect of individual behaviour
19. Therapeutics to take into account co-morbidities and other medications patient is taking

## **Neurological Medicine**

1. Principles of neurological function in health and disease
2. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of neurological diseases
3. Clinical examination of the nervous system
4. Applied anatomy of the nervous system
5. Approaches to the investigation of neurological diseases
6. Clinical features of common neurological diseases

Headache and facial pain

Dizziness, blackouts and funny turns

Sleep disturbance

Weakness

Abnormal gait

Disorders of balance

Abnormal movements

Sensory disturbance

Coma

Acute confusional state

Memory loss

Personality change

Speech and language disturbance

Disorder of perception

Brain-stem lesions

Swallowing difficulty

Visual disturbance and other ocular abnormalities

Sphincter disturbance

Headache syndromes

Vestibular disorders

Epilepsy

Sleep disorders

Cerebrovascular disease

Stroke

Subarachnoid haemorrhage

Cerebral venous disease

Inflammatory diseases

Neurodegenerative diseases

Infections of the nervous system

- Meningitis
- Parenchymal viral infections
- Parenchymal bacterial infections
- Diseases caused by bacterial toxins
- Transmissible spongiform encephalopathies
- Intracranial mass lesions and raised intracranial pressure
  - Raised intracranial pressure
  - Intracranial neoplasms
  - Paraneoplastic neurological disease
  - Hydrocephalus
  - Idiopathic intracranial hypertension
- Disorders of the spine and spinal cord
  - Cervical spondylosis
  - Lumbar spondylosis
  - Spinal cord compression
  - Intrinsic diseases of the spinal cord
- Diseases of peripheral nerves
- Disorders of the neuromuscular junction
- Diseases of muscle

### **Haematology & Medical Oncology**

1. Principles of blood, bone marrow and reticulo-endothelial function in health and disease
  2. Clinical examination in blood diseases
  3. Approaches to the investigation of haematological disorders and neoplastic disorders
    - The full blood count
    - Blood film examination
    - Bone marrow examination
    - Investigation of coagulation
  4. Applied anatomy and physiology
    - Haematopoiesis
    - Blood cells and their functions
    - Haemostasis
  5. Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of haematological disorders and cancer diseases
  6. Clinical features of common haematological disorders
    - Anaemia
    - High haemoglobin
    - Leucopaenia
    - Leucocytosis
    - Lymphadenopathy
    - Splenomegaly
    - Bleeding
    - Thrombocytopenia
    - Thrombocytosis
    - Pancytopenia
    - Infection
    - Venous thrombosis
- Blood products and transfusion
  - Blood products
  - Adverse effects of transfusion
  - Safe transfusion procedures
- Bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell transplantation
  - Allogenic BMT
  - Autologous BMT
- Anticoagulant and antithrombotic therapy
  - Heparins

- Courmains
- Prophylaxis of venous thrombosis
- Anaemias
  - Iron deficiency anaemia
  - Anaemia of chronic disease
  - Megaloblastic anaemia
  - Haemolytic anaemia
- Haemoglobinopathies
- Haematological malignancies
  - Leukaemias
  - Lymphomas
  - Paraproteinamias
- Aplastic anaemia
  - Primary idiopathic acquired aplastic anaemia
  - Secondary aplastic anaemia
- Myeloproliferative disorders
- Bleeding disorders
  - Disorders of primary haemostasis
  - Coagulation disorders
- Thrombotic disorders

### **Oncology**

- Clinical examination of the cancer patient
- Applied anatomy and physiology
- Environmental and genetic determinants of cancer
- Investigations in oncology
  - Histology
  - Imaging
  - Biochemical markers
- Clinical features in oncology
  - Palpable mass
  - Weight loss and fever
  - Finger clubbing
  - Ectopic hormone production
  - Neurological paraneoplastic syndromes
  - Cutaneous manifestation of cancer
- Emergency complications of cancer
- Metastatic disease
- Therapeutics in oncology
  - Surgery
  - Systemic chemotherapy
  - Radiation therapy
  - Hormone therapy
  - Immunotherapy
  - Biological therapies
- Specific cancers in South Sudan

## **Musculoskeletal diseases**

**Clinical examination of the musculoskeletal system**

**Applied anatomy and physiology**

**Investigation of musculoskeletal diseases**

Synovial fluid analysis

Imaging

Blood tests

Tissue sampling

Electromyography

## **Clinical features**

Pain in a single joint

Oligoarthritis

Polyarthritis

Fracture

Bone pain without fracture

Regional periarticular pain

Back and neck pain

Muscle pain and weakness

Rheumatic disease presenting as systemic illness

## **Principles of management of musculoskeletal disorders**

Core interventions

Pharmacological options for direct symptom control

Non- pharmacological interventions

## **Osteoarthritis**

### **Inflammatory joint disease**

Rheumatoid arthritis

Seronegative spondylitis

Crystal associated disease

Bone and joint infection

### **Fibromyalgia**

### **Systemic connective tissue disease**

Systemic lupus erythematosus

Systemic sclerosis

Mixed connective tissue disease

Sjogren syndrome

Polymyositis and dermatomyositis

### **Systemic vasculitis**

### **Disease of bone**

Osteoporosis

Osteomalacia and rickets

Paget's disease

Primary tumours of the musculoskeletal system

Metastatic bone disease

Other bone diseases

Rare inherited disorders of the bone

## Musculoskeletal presentation of diseases in other systems

### Miscellaneous conditions

#### Rheumatology

##### Clinical examination of the patient for rheumatologic disorders

Epidemiology

Aetiology

Principles of bone and joint function in health and disease

Pathophysiology of signs and symptoms of rheumatologic disorders

Clinical features of common rheumatologic disorders.

Approaches to the investigation of rheumatologic disorders

Spinal pain

Osteoarthritis

Systemic manifestations: respiratory, ocular, neurological, haematological, dermatological

### Musculoskeletal pain problems and soft tissues rheumatism

#### Emergency Medicine/Intensive Care Unit

##### Skills

##### 1. Clinical care skills

History and examination

Documentation

Decision making

Time management

Safe prescribing

Continuity of care

Therapeutic interventions

##### 2. Communication skills

With: colleagues, patients and caregivers, family, breaking bad news, team members

##### 3. Maintaining good medical practice-lifelong learning

Audit and clinical outcomes

Critical appraisal

Information management

##### 4. Ethical professional: behaviour, probity, professional attributes, career and professional development

##### 5. Ethics and legal issues

#### Learning Objectives

Acquire basic life support skills: diagnosis of and treatment of shock, basic procedural skills, demonstrate the skills on real patients or simulation

Demonstrate capacity to differentiate and treat common acute problems

Carry out comprehensive assessment of a patient

Demonstrate proficiency in basic life support skills and cardiopulmonary resuscitation

Recognise and initiate first aid for airway obstruction

Recognise and intervene in managing shock in patients of all ages

Able to rapidly resuscitate and stabilise a patient with intravenous fluid/blood administration

Understand principles of management of patients with cerebral illness

Demonstrate proficiency in using a defibrillator

Understand principles of wound care

Understand principles of trauma management, basic trauma management skills, ABC approach, and full spine immobilisation

Demonstrate mastery of basic procedures: venous access, airway management

Recognise life-threatening illness and injury, basic stabilisation

Demonstrate capacity to prioritise patients

## **Acute care common stem**

- Assessment of an acutely ill patient
- Commencement of resuscitation
- Diagnose most likely underlying problem
- Institute appropriate investigations
- Basic life support

## **Respiratory Diseases**

- Applied respiratory anatomy and physiology
- Normal arterial blood gas
- Differential diagnosis diagnostic approach, respiratory distress, acute hypoxia, hypercarbia
- Management of respiratory distress: acute pulmonary embolism, upper airway obstruction, status asthmatics, pneumonia and ARDS.
- Indications for intubation and mechanical ventilation
- Airway obstruction
- Respiratory failure
- Cardio-respiratory arrest
- Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (necessary resuscitation equipment and medications)
- Apnea
- Breathing difficulty
- Chest pain
- Asthma
- Shortness of breath
- Pulmonary embolus
- Pneumothorax
- COPD
- Pneumonia
- Hyperventilation

## **Cardiovascular Disease**

- Applied cardiovascular physiology and anatomy
- Determinants of cardiac output, principles of oxygen delivery
- Understanding: preload, after load, contractility
- Role vasopressors and inotropes
- Hypotension
- Orthostatic hypotension
- Differential diagnosis of circulatory shock (cardiogenic, hypovolemic, obstructive, distributive)
- Diagnostic plan and management
- Arrhythmias: recognise, supraventricular and ventricular arrhythmias, assessment of precipitating cause
- Myocardial infarction - Recognition: initiate therapy, acute MI, identify potential complications
- Shock
- Cardiac arrest
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm
- Acute coronary syndromes
- Thoracic aortic dissection aneurysm
- Congestive heart failure
- Angina pectoris
- Stroke
- Syncope
- Basic electrocardiographic analysis

## **Neurology**

- Applied physiology and anatomy
- Epilepsy (grand mal, status epilepticus, petit mal seizure, partial seizures)
- Anaphylaxis
- Allergic reaction
- Altered mental status
- Headache
- Intracranial haemorrhage
- Ischaemic stroke
- Meningitis
- Encephalitis
- Migraine
- Vertigo
- Acute stroke
- Acute mental status change

## **Trauma**

- Chest trauma
- Neck trauma
- Abdominal trauma
- Closed head injury
- Cervical spine
- Spinal injury
- Maxillofacial trauma
- Burns
- Orthopaedic trauma
- Major trauma

## **Dental Emergencies**

- Dental abscess
- Dental fractures
- Pain

## **Ear, Nose and Throat**

- Epistaxis
- Infections of the head and neck
- Foreign body inhalation

## **Psychiatry**

- Acute suicidal and homicidal ideation
- Agitation
- Anxiety
- Mood disorders
- Substance abuse
- Personality disorders

## **Paediatrics**

- Basic management of paediatric airway
- Basic paediatric resuscitation
- Common infectious diseases of children
- Fever in the first 6 months of life
- Common injuries in children

## **Neonatology**

- Neonatal resuscitation
- Hyperbilirubinemia
- Disorders of feeding
- Neonatal fever

## **Renal**

Applied renal physiology and anatomy  
Acute renal failure, oliguria, differential diagnosis, management  
Indications for emergency dialysis  
Acid-base balance, electrolyte disturbances, differential diagnosis, management

### **Gastrointestinal**

Applied gastrointestinal and hepatic physiology  
Acute abdomen, differential diagnosis, diagnostic approach, management  
Gastrointestinal haemorrhage.  
Differential diagnostic approach, management, indications for endoscopy  
Liver dysfunction  
Hepatic encephalopathy: differentials, diagnostic approach, management  
Accidental poisoning  
Dehydration due to diarrhoea  
Abdominal pain  
GI bleeding  
Appendicitis  
Biliary disease  
Small bowel obstruction  
Mesenteric ischemia  
Perforated viscus  
Acute hepatitis  
Liver failure  
Acute cholecystitis and cholangitis

### **Toxicology**

Treatment of acute ingestion  
Identification of basic toxidromes

### **Genitourinary**

Ectopic pregnancy  
PID + TOA  
Ovarian torsion  
Testicular torsion  
Acute urinary retention  
Nephrolithiasis and colic  
Sexually transmitted diseases

### **Haematological Disease**

Applied haematological physiology  
Coagulopathy, differentials, diagnostic approach  
Anaemia: indications for blood plasma products transfusion  
Infectious Disease  
Applied physiology and microbiology of common infections in ICU  
Fever: differentials, diagnostic approach, management  
Nosocomial pneumonia, catheter- related infections  
Appropriate antibiotic therapy  
Sickle-cell anaemia  
Disorders of clotting

### **Metabolic/Nutrition/Endocrine and Electrolytes**

Principles of nutrition: enteral, parental  
Nutritional status evaluation, differences with a critically ill patient  
Sodium or glucose imbalance  
Potassium imbalance  
Diabetic keto-acidosis  
Hyperglycaemia  
Hypoglycaemia  
Hyperkalaemia  
Thyroid storm  
Acute adrenal crisis  
Myxedema

**Dermatology**

Blistering and exfoliative diseases  
Differential diagnosis of rash  
Parasitic and infestations

**Rheumatology and Immunology**

Crystalline arthropathy  
Arthritis  
Immune disorders  
Anaphylaxis

**Infectious Disease and sepsis**

Endemic infectious disease  
Sepsis  
Common infectious diseases or conditions (pneumonia)

**Pain and Psychosocial**

Pharmacology: principles of management of sedation, anxiety and pain  
Recognise, manage, psychosocial issues, family, patient caused by catastrophic illness  
Ethical issues  
Decisions  
Patient autonomy  
Informed consent  
Directives  
Therapy: withholding, withdrawing  
End of life discussions/decisions  
Psychiatry problem

**General conditions**

Major trauma  
Heat stroke  
Snake bites/stings  
Scorpion bites  
Sepsis  
Burns and scalds  
Smoke inhalation  
Drowning  
Acute compartment syndrome  
Hyperthermia  
Hypothermia

**Objectives for Procedures**

Student should develop basic competency in:  
Central venous access: internal jugular, subclavian, femoral artery, intravenous line  
Endotracheal intubation  
Arterial line insertion: radial artery, femoral artery  
Chest tube insertion  
Electro cardio version

**Teaching Methods**

Bedside teaching Tutorial  
Seminars  
Lectures    Operating room    Small group teaching  
Self- learning  
Peer teaching and learning  
Computer-based modules

**Contact Hours**

Minimum 15 hours per week

Tutorial -	5 hours per week
Seminars -	2 hours per week
Lectures -	1 hour per week
Operating room -	6 hours per week

#### Assessment Methods:

Shall include assessment of knowledge, skills, and attitudes and aligned to the learning outcomes

#### Continuous assessment: 40%

Log book-	5%
Written paper (Essay, MCQ, SBA, EMQ)	15%
Clinical examination OSCE-	20%

Long/short case

#### Final Examination 60%

Written: Paper I-Essay and short answer questions -	20%
Paper II MCQ -	10%
Clinical: OSCE -	25%
Oral examination -	5%

Pass mark: 50%.The clinical component must be passed to pass the course.

#### Recommended Text Books

1. Dorland J (2008). Dorland's Pocket Medical Dictionary. Saunders, Philadelphia. ISBN: 10141600108.
2. Elis H, Calne R, Watson C (2006). Lecture Notes in General Surgery. Wiley-Blackwell Publishers, New York, Oxford.ISBN: 978-1-4051-3911-3.
3. Lumley JSP, (1997). Hamilton Bailey's Demonstration of Physical Signs in Clinical Surgery. Hodder Arnold Publications, London.ISBN: 0750616210.
4. Tardiff J, Derr P, McEvoy M (2016). Emergency and Critical Care: Pocket Guide (8th Ed.) Jones and Bartlett Learning. ISBN-13:978-1284136999, ISBN-10:128413699.
5. Diepenbrock N, (2015). Quick Reference to Critical Care (5th Ed.). Lippincott Wilkins, ISBN-10:97814511194265
6. American Heart Association (2016). Basic Life Support (BLS). Channing L Bete Co Inc. ISBN-13: 978-1451194265, ISBN-10:1616694076.
7. Romello JM, Kvetan V, Pastores S (2016).Lange Critical Care (1st Ed). McGraw- Hill Education / Medical. ISBN-13:9780071820813, ISBN-10:9780071820813.  
Journal and Websites to be advised by the lecturer.

#### Critical Care Medicine

##### Clinical examination of the critically ill patient

##### Physiology of critical illness

- Oxygen transport
- Cardiovascular component of oxygen delivery flow
- Oxygen component of oxygen delivery content
- Oxygen consumption
- Relationship between oxygen consumption and delivery
- Pathophysiology of the inflammatory response

##### Recognition and assessment of the critically ill patient

- Recognition of the severity of the illness
- Assessment and initial resuscitation of the critically ill patient
- Approaches to the investigation of medical emergencies
- Clinical decision making and referral to critical care

##### Clinical presentation and evaluation of the critically ill patient

- Principles of critical care medicine
- Circulatory failure (shock)
- Respiratory failure (including acute respiratory distress syndrome, ARDS)
- Acute kidney injury

Neurological failure (coma)  
Sepsis  
Disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC)

### **General principles of critical care management**

Monitoring  
Daily clinical management in the ICU

### **Management of major organ failure**

Circulatory support  
Respiratory support  
Renal support  
Gastrointestinal and hepatic support  
Neurological support  
Management of sepsis

Discharge from intensive care

Withdrawal of care

Brain-stem death

### **Scoring systems in intensive care**

Outcome of intensive care

### **Geriatric Medicine**

1. Basic sciences:

i). Ageing: physical and cognitive function, immune competence, personality

Pharmacokinetics and pharmaco-dynamic

ii.) Biochemical, molecular, cellular, genetic theories

iii). anatomical and histological changes associate with ageing,

iv). Pathology of normal ageing and associated disease processes

v) Physiology of ageing

vi) Specific disease process: dementia, delirium, depression, continence, osteoporosis, falls, Parkinsonism and movement disorders Alzheimer disease stroke

vii) Multidisciplinary care

2. Professional approach to the older person: History taking, physical and mental state examination

3. Diagnosis and management of common elderly patient: i) multiple pathology: physical, psychological

ii) Multiple drug therapy' polypharmacy; concept of safe prescription, differing physiology, drug Interactions

iii) Falls

iv) Mobility problems

v) Incontinence-urinary, faecal

vi) Pressure sore

vii) Stroke

viii) Confusion-acute and chronic

ix) Communication or visual difficulties

x) Terminal care

4. Role of carers

6. Rehabilitation, discharge plan, primary and secondary prevention

7. Ethical issues in care of the elderly: autonomy, mental capacity, euthanasia and assisted suicide, withdrawal and withholding of medical treatment, cardiopulmonary resuscitation

9. Communication skills: patients, family's carers, breaking bad news

11. Health and social services in the provision of long-term care of the elderly

### **Adolescent Medicine**

Adolescent Health

1. Social history, screening for risk factors for potential morbidity and mortality

4. Health maintenance at different stages of adolescence

5. Immunisation for up to date and catch up

6. Screening: vision, hearing, blood pressure, haematocrit, vitamin D, cholesterol and lipids
7. Cultural competence and humility: socio-cultural aspects, cultural values, cultural sensitive healthcare
8. Harm reduction: primary and secondary prevention strategies for behavior change
9. Social determinants of health impact on adolescents
10. Guidance from parents for normal psychosocial development, parents' communication on sensitive issues
11. Physiologic development: sexual maturity raring, staging physiologic development, pubertal development
12. Social and cognitive development: continuum of development, brain maturation, executive function, influence on risk taking behaviour
13. Gender identity and sexual orientation: difference between gender identity and sexuality
14. Development of gender identity and sexual orientation
15. Health rights, reproductive health and psychiatric care, confidential treatments
16. Sexual and reproductive health: prescribing contraception to adolescents and young adults ( cultural and legal issues)
17. Contraceptive methods: typical failure rates, mechanism of action, benefits, side effects, common myths, shared-making on contraceptives counselling
18. Pregnancy counselling: non-judgmental about pregnancy options and community resources
19. Public health impact: unintended pregnancy, abortion, teen parenting
20. Abortion: evidence-based information, medication, aspiration abortion, safety, efficacy, indications, expected side effects
21. Male reproductive health: male adolescent health care needs, sexual male sexual history
22. Sexual and gender minorities: screening LGBTQIA+ youth, sensitive language, evidence-based support
23. Sexually transmitted infections: guidelines for STI/HIV screening, prevention and clinical, diagnostic for pelvic inflammatory disease, vaginitis, urethritis
24. Menstrual cycle and common disorders: normal menstrual cycle, anovulatory cycling during pubertal development
25. Evaluation and management: amenorrhea, irregular menses, abnormal uterine bleeding, dysmenorrhea, options of menstrual regulation
26. Psychological and Behavioural health: screening mental health issues, depression, and anxiety, non-suicidal self- harm, suicidal ideation, referral, presentation and diagnosis of ADHD (early, middle, late adolescence and young adults, behavioural and pharmacologic treatments for ADHD management of suicidality
27. Eating disorders, overweight, obesity
28. Substance use and abuse, community resources
29. Safety and violence: physical, intimate partner violence, juvenile justice, bullying and cyberbullying

#### Teaching Methods and Teaching Hours:

Lectures -	6 hours per week
Bedside tutorials -	5 hours per week
Ward rounds/clinics/admissions -	12 hours per week
Seminars -	1 hour per week
Study guides and other student centred learning methods	
Problem-based case studies -	5 hours per week

#### Assessment Methods

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%.</b>
Student professional profiles - (Professionalism, team work skills, dress code, attendance)	5%
Log books –	5%
Portfolio-	?

Case write-ups –	10%
Clinical exams -	20%
<b>Final Examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written papers -	30%
Clinical exams/OSCE-	30%
Long and short cases-	?

**Assessment criteria:** Knowledge of applied basic and clinical sciences, clinical competence, and professionalism and ethics. Failure in clinical competence means that the student fails that course. Assessment methods must reflect the learning objectives/learning outcomes.

### Recommended Text Books

1. Swash, M. and Glynn M. (Eds) (2007). Hutchinson's Clinical Methods: An integrated approach to Clinical practice (22nd Edition). Edinburgh, London. Saunders Elsevier. ISBN 978 0 7020 27987.
2. Colledge NR, Walker BR, Ralston SH (Eds). Davidson's Principles and Practice of Medicine: a text book for students and doctors. ( 21<sup>st</sup> Ed). Churchill Livingstone. Edinburgh, 2010. ISBN 978-0-7020-3085-7
3. Bickley, L (2008). Bates' Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking (10th Ed). Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. ISBN-10: 0781780586.
4. Kumar P, Clark M. Clinical Medicine (13th Ed). Bailliere Tindall; London 1994.
5. Cook G. Mansons Tropical Medicine (20thEd). WB Saunders Company Ltd; London, 1996.
6. Macleod J. Clinical Examination (6th Ed.) Churchill Livingstone. Edinburgh, 198. Toghil PJ.

## **COURSE TITLE: INTERNAL MEDICINE SENIOR CLERKSHIP**

### **Introduction**

The goal of this clerkship is to assist the students to become competent in the basic assessment and management of common medical problems in internal medicine in readiness for pre-registration medical practice.

**Pre-requisites:** Internal Medicine Junior Clerkship

### **Course aims:**

1. To learn to function as an internal junior house officer
2. Acquire the necessary responsibility and commitment to patient care
3. Developing compassion towards patients
4. Effectively working as a team
5. Improving clinical skills
6. History taking
7. Physical examination
8. Accurate oral and written presentation
9. Accurate diagnostic reasoning
10. Performing appropriate diagnostic and management procedures

### **Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives:**

On completion of the course the student should be able to:

1. Obtain an accurate, appropriate, complete medical history and record it legibly
2. Conduct and record an accurate physical examination
3. Communicate with patients and their families in a manner that is facilitative, efficient, effective, and educative.
4. Identify social and psychological issues that may be contributing to the patient's problems.
5. Using pathophysiology knowledge of the symptoms and signs establish clinical correlations on the disease
6. Offer differential diagnoses
7. Craft a plan to confirm the diagnosis
8. Obtain more information (text books, syllabus, journals, electronic resources) relating to the patient's disease.
9. On patient progress: observe, review, reassess, and record the progress in patient's log. Present your findings to the healthcare team.
10. Communicate clearly to colleagues and other members of the team
11. Take part in clinical procedures
12. Formulate a treatment plan for the patient in line with the needs of the patient
13. Formulate an ongoing health care plan for the patient aligned to their socio-economic status.

**Content:**

1. To acquire knowledge, skills, and attitudes with regards to the core problems in internal medicine: abdominal pain, chest pain, cough, dyspnoea, joint pain, anaemia, dysuria, weight loss, back pain, dysuria, altered mental status, fluids/electrolytes/acid/base balance disorders, congestive heart failure, COPD, depression, hypertension, diabetes/obesity, renal failure, common cancers, thyroid/parathyroid, HIV/AIDS, SARS-Cov-2. Emerging infectious diseases, malaria, nutrition, TB, pneumonia
2. To acquire knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for general and physical examination in internal medicine.
3. To acquire knowledge, skills and attitude necessary for prevention and rehabilitation aspects of diseases common in internal medicine.
4. To acquire knowledge, skills and attitudes for treatment and management of diseases common in internal medicine.
5. Ability to independently manage an outpatient clinic and a ward.

**Teaching Methods**

Clinical rotations  
 Bedside teaching  
 Tutorials  
 Seminars  
 Lectures  
 Web/ICT learning  
 Assessment

**Assessment Methods**

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%.</b>
Student professional profiles - (Professionalism, team work skills, dress code, attendance)	5%
Log books – Portfolio-	5%
Case write-ups –	10%
Clinical exams -	20%
<b>Final Examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written papers -	30%
Clinical exams/OSCE-	30%
Long and short cases-	

**Assessment criteria:** Knowledge of applied basic and clinical sciences, clinical competence, and professionalism and ethics. Failure in clinical competence means that the student fails that course. Assessment methods must reflect the learning objectives/learning outcomes.

**Recommended Text Books**

1. Glynn M, Drake E (Editors) (2017). Hutchinson’s Clinical Methods: An integrated approach to clinical practice (24th Edition). Elsevier. ISBN-13:978-0702067396, ISBN-10:0702067393;
  2. Bickley L. (2008). Bate’s Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking (12th Edition). Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. ISBN-13: 978-14699893149, ISBN-10:978-1469893419.
  3. Kumar P, Clark ML. (2016). Kumar and Clark’s Clinical Medicine (9th Edition). Elsevier. ISBN-13:978-0702066016, ISBN-10:9880702066016.
  4. Ralston SH, Penman ID, Strachan MW, Hobson R (Editors) (2018). Davidson’s Principles and Practice of Medicine (23rd Edition). Elsevier. ISBN-13: 978-0702070280. ISBN-10:0702070289.
- Journals and Websites to be advised by the lecturer

**(2) Course title: General Surgery**

**Credit hours: 35**

**Contact hours: 135**

**Clinical Rounds: 1890**

**Semesters for the courses to be taught: SVI( Credit hours:8, Contact hours:30, Clinical Rounds:270), S IX( Credit hours:15, Contact hours:45, Clinical Rounds:540),  
SXI (Credit hours: 12, Contact hours: 60, Clinical Rounds: 360),  
SXII (Credit hours: 16, Clinical Rounds: 720)**

**COURSE TITLE: SURGERY JUNIOR CLERKSHIP**

**Introduction**

This course introduces the principles and practice of surgery with emphasis on the surgical pathology seen in South Sudan. Students will learn the clinical examination of a surgical patient and inculcate the appropriate attitude skills in the practice of surgery.

**Course Objectives**

**Knowledge Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Explain the physiological, anatomical and pathological basis of surgical disease;
2. Recognize symptoms and signs of the common surgical disease conditions;
3. Analyse symptoms and signs of surgical disease processes to arrive at a differential diagnosis;
4. Identify and interpret laboratory, imaging, and bedside investigations required to make a diagnosis and/or monitor clinical progress.

**Skills Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should be able to:

1. Obtain a detailed clinical history from the surgical patient;
2. Elicit physical signs in a patient with emphasis on correct techniques;
3. Perform basic surgical procedures

**Attitudinal Objectives**

At the end of the course the student should have:

1. Awareness of medical ethics with regard to confidentiality of information, privacy, religious and cultural beliefs;
2. Awareness of his/her professional limitations;
3. Commitment to lifelong learning;
4. Respect for other health care professionals;
5. Cultivated attributes such as responsibility, sense of duty, punctuality.

**Course Content:**

**Introduction to Surgery**

1. The doctor and the health care team, the doctor-patient relationship
2. History taking in the surgical patient.
3. Physical examination technique by system.
4. Laboratory and radiological investigations, imaging, and investigations in surgery.
5. Endoscopic investigations e.g. oesophagoscopy, bronchoscopy, laparoscopy.
6. The operating theatre, sterility, asepsis.
7. Infection prevention and control.

## **Basic Principles of Surgery**

1. Hypovolaemic and septic shock, fluid and electrolyte balance.
2. Blood transfusion, blood and blood products.
3. Monitoring the surgical patient.
4. The critically injured patient-assessment and management.
5. Surgical emergencies.
6. Common medical conditions in surgery: HIV in surgery, congestive cardiac failure, hypertension, diabetes, obesity and malnutrition, endocrine disorders, jaundice and the uraemic patient.
7. Pre-operative management and preparation of a patient for surgery
8. Peri-operative assessment.
9. Post-operative management
10. Assist during surgical operation
11. Body response to injury
12. Surgical wounds and infections
13. Surgical infection
14. Antibiotics in surgery
15. Pain management in surgical
16. Management of comatose patients
17. Use of blood in surgery
18. Fluid and electrolytes therapy in surgical patient
19. Principles of surgical jaundice
20. Shock in surgical patient
21. General principles of trauma management
22. Stomas
23. Tubes and drains
24. Acute limb ischaemia
25. Principal of vascular surgery
26. Neurosurgery
27. Pediatric surgery
28. Skin conditions in surgery
29. Tropical surgery Hydatid disease, Madura etc
30. Nutrition in surgery

## **Gastrointestinal system**

### **Oesophagus**

1. Signs and symptoms of oesophageal pathology
2. Approaches to investigation of oesophageal disorders
3. Diverticular
4. Strictures
5. Achalasia
6. Esophageal cancers
7. Barrete oesophagus
8. Gastroesophageal reflux disease
9. Hiatus hernia
10. Esophageal varices
11. Portal hypertension
12. Congenital anomalies

### **Stomach**

1. Signs and symptoms of stomach pathology
2. Approaches to investigation of stomach disorders

### **Intestines**

1. Signs and symptoms of intestinal pathology
2. Approaches to investigating disorders of the intestines
3. Gastric outlet obstruction
4. Peptic ulcer disease

### **Anal conditions**

1. Signs and symptoms of anal pathology
2. Approaches to investigating disorders of the anal region

## **Liver and Biliary Tree**

1. Signs and symptoms of liver pathology
2. Approaches to investigating disorders of the liver and biliary tree
3. Obstructive jaundice
4. Anomalies of the biliary tree

## **Pancreas**

1. Signs and symptoms of pancreatic disorders
2. Approaches to investigating disorders of the pancreas

## **Paediatric conditions of the gastrointestinal tract:**

1. Intussusception,
2. Pyloric hypertrophic stenosis,
3. Worm obstruction,
4. Congenital bands,
5. Hirschsprung's disease
6. Imperforate anus

## **Hernia**

1. Definition of a hernia.
2. Clinical examination and anatomical considerations.
3. Classification of hernias.
4. Clinical presentation of umbilical, paraumbilical, diaphragmatic, inguinal, femoral, spigelian and incisional hernias.

## **Respiratory Tract.**

1. Signs and symptoms of upper airway obstruction
2. Methods of airway access

## **Signs and Symptoms of Traumatic Conditions**

1. Fracture ribs
2. Flail chest
3. Pneumothorax
4. Haemo-pneumothorax
5. Diaphragmatic trauma
6. Principles of trauma in general
7. Head and neck injuries
8. Chest injury
9. Abdomen and pelvis

## **Chest drainage**

1. Tumours of the thorax
2. Investigations of the respiratory system

## **The Nervous System**

1. Neurological examination and examination of cranial nerves.
2. Assessment of head injury patient
3. Congenital anomalies of the nervous system
4. Urological, gastrointestinal, respiratory and musculoskeletal problems of the spinal injury patient
5. Peripheral neuropathy and nerve injuries
6. Investigations of the nervous system

## **The Cardiovascular System**

1. Surgical anatomy of the cardiovascular system
2. History taking and examination of the patient with cardiovascular pathology
3. Signs and symptoms of cardiovascular disorders
4. Investigations of the cardiovascular system

## **The Endocrine System**

1. Basic surgical anatomy
2. Physiology and pathology of the endocrine system
3. Laboratory and radiological investigations of the endocrine system
4. Pituitary gland: tumours and clinical presentation
5. Hyperparathyroidism

### **The Thyroid Gland:**

1. Colloid goitre
2. Thyrotoxicosis
3. Tumours
4. Symptoms, signs and investigations;
5. Complications of thyroid disease.

### **The Pancreas**

1. Diabetes
2. Tumours
3. Pancreatitis
4. Stress on pancreatic head cancer
5. Pseudocyst of the pancreas
6. Outline of pancreatic surgery

### **The Adrenal Gland:**

1. Tumours and clinical manifestations;
2. Secondary hypertension in surgical practice

### **The Breast:**

1. Anatomy and physiology
2. Functions and disorders of the breast
3. Benign and malignant lesions of the breast,
4. Differential diagnosis and investigations
5. Cancer of the breast
6. Axillary lymph node and axillary surgery

### **The Integumentary System**

1. Surgical anatomy and functions of the skin
2. Symptoms and signs of infections and other surgical disorders of the skin
3. Investigation of surgical conditions of the skin

### **The Burned Patient**

1. Percent surface area estimation
2. Fluid replacement
3. Immediate management.
4. Complications in the burns patient
5. Grafting

### **Common ulcers and lumps in skin and sub-dermal structures**

1. Melanoma
2. Basal cell carcinoma
3. Squamous cell carcinoma
4. Naevi

### **Pigmented lesions of the skin; differential diagnosis and biopsy**

#### **Ulcers of varying aetiology**

#### **Haemopoietic and Lymphoreticular System**

1. Haemopoiesis.
2. Haemolytic disease in surgery.
3. Bleeding disorders and haemostasis.
4. Disorders of immunity.
5. Lymphoedema.

#### **Spleen**

1. Signs and symptoms of splenic disorders;
2. Approaches to investigating disorders of the spleen.

#### **Head and Neck**

1. Surgical anatomy of the head and neck.
2. History taking and examination of the patient with head and neck pathology.
3. Signs and symptoms of head and neck disorders.

#### **Urology**

1. Surgical anatomy of the genitourinary system.
2. Congenital anomalies and infections of the urinary tract and genitalia.

3. Signs and symptoms of disorders of the genitourinary tract.
4. Physical examination including digital rectal examination.
5. Laboratory and radiological investigations of the urinary tract.
6. Trauma to the genitourinary tract.
7. Common urological emergencies.
8. Common urological conditions.
9. Common urological malignancies.
10. Basic urological procedures (urethral catheterization, suprapubic cystostomy).
11. Basic equipment and materials in urology:
12. Kidney neoplasia
13. Renal stones
14. Ureteric condition
15. Bladder outlet obstruction
16. Bladder stones
17. Benign prostatic hyperplasia
18. Carcinoma of the prostate
19. Scrotal conditions
20. Bladder cancer
21. Haematuria
22. General principles of cancer surgery
23. Transplant surgery
24. Endoscopic surgery

#### **Catheters of various types**

1. Bougies;
2. Cystoscopes.

#### **Introduction of technology in urology.**

#### **Surgical Gynaecology**

#### **Examination of internal and external genitalia.**

#### **Common gynaecological conditions encountered in surgical practice:**

1. Fibroid uterus;
2. Ectopic pregnancy;
3. Tubo-ovarian mass;
4. Pelvic inflammatory disease.

#### **Paediatric Surgery**

1. Surgical anatomy of the paediatric patient.
2. History taking and examination of the paediatric pathology.
3. Signs and symptoms of paediatric disorders.
4. Investigation of paediatric disorders.

#### **Laboratory Investigations**

Performing and pre-operative of basic tests such as:

1. Full blood count;
2. Urea electrolytes;
3. Liver function tests;
4. Urinalysis;
5. Bacterial cultures;
6. Cerebrospinal fluid analysis;
7. Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA).

#### **Surgical Radiology**

Interpretation of radiographs of the:

1. Chest;
2. Abdomen;
3. Skull;
4. Spine;
5. Limbs.
6. Indications for and interpretation of contrast studies.



## **COURSE TITLE: SURGERY SENIOR CLERKSHIP**

### **Introduction**

The clerkship expects the student to be an active member of the team he is assigned to and as such he is expected to attend all activities of that team including night calls, emergency and operating rooms. This mainly involves history taking, performing physical examinations, writing work-ups and participating in diagnostic and therapeutic exercises within his limited competences during patient care. The student is expected to develop cognitive, manipulative and attitudinal skills as part of his training in surgery.

**Pre-requisites:** Surgery Junior Clerkship

### **Course aim**

1. Obtaining patient history, physical examinations, performing investigations
2. Admitting and discharging patients
3. Participating in outpatient clinics
4. Preparing the patient record, pre- and post-operative orders, progress notes, description of surgical procedures and discharge summaries.
5. Attending to rounds on inpatients and same-day surgery
6. Proper operating room procedures
7. On-call participation and managing surgical patients
8. Surgical knowledge: Demonstrate knowledge of applied basic sciences and surgical sciences and its application to patient care
9. Interpersonal and Communication Skills: Must communicate well with patients, their families, peers and other health professionals caring for the same patient.
10. Preventive and Rehabilitative Practice: Demonstrate awareness of care beyond the curative care: showing ability to work within the healthcare system to provide optimal care.

### **Learning Outcomes/ Learning Objectives**

On completion of the course the student should be able to:

1. Describe the fundamentals of applied basic sciences to the practice of clinical surgery
2. Describe the structure and function of the body under surgical diseases
3. Describe the manifestations of surgical disease and their pathophysiology on radiographs, laboratory findings.
4. Describe fundamentals of post-operative pain management.
5. Accurately present to, the health care team in the hospital and outpatient sites, the following with regards to the patient's condition: progress, results of laboratory investigations, and imaging studies.
6. To assure safe and compassionate care and discharge plan the student is expected to work collaboratively with the healthcare team serving the patient.
7. Demonstrate the ability to obtain a thorough and accurate medical and surgical history
8. Demonstrate the ability to perform a physical examination that allows formulation of a differential diagnosis
9. Provide a written report of the progress of a patient complete with interpretation of the laboratory results.
10. Perform the following procedures: venepuncture, insertion of nasogastric feeding tube, insertion of a urinary bladder catheter, intravenous line insertion, and suture of minor lacerations.
11. Practise universal infection control precautions when carrying out procedures.
12. Show respect to peers, patients and their families, other healthcare professionals.
13. Be sensitive to cultural diversity and their norms
14. Use sterile techniques when carrying out surgical procedures
15. Observe and discuss ethical considerations when engaging surgical patients
16. Evaluate patients presenting with surgical emergencies
17. Demonstrate ability to manage intravenous fluid and electrolyte resuscitation and management in a surgical patient.
18. Exhibit professional behaviour stands all the time

### **Course Content**

1. Acute abdomen
2. GI bleeding
3. Bowel obstruction
4. Breast diseases module
5. Hepato-biliary and pancreatic surgical diseases
6. Endocrine surgical pathology
7. Cardiac and thoracic surgical pathology
8. Vascular disease (carotid, aortic, and peripheral vascular system)
9. Paediatric surgery

10. Trauma, burns, surgical critical care
11. Plastic and reconstruction surgery

### Teaching / Training Methods and hours

40 hours / week x 8 weeks = 320 hours

Clinical rotations  
 Bedside teaching  
 Lectures  
 Tutorials  
 Seminars  
 Web / ICT learning

### Assessment

The criteria for assessment is knowledge of applied basic sciences and surgical sciences, clinical competence, and professionalism and ethics. Failure in clinical competence assessment will mean that the student has failed the course. Reliable and appropriate assessment methods will be used reflecting the learning the learning outcomes/learning objectives of the course.

Continuous assessment -	40%
Ward Attendances	
Portfolio	
Log Book	
Assignments	
Clinical (Long and Short Cases)	
OSCE	
Case Write up	
Final Examination -	60%
OSCE	
Long and Short Cases	
Written Papers	
MCQ	
EMG	
SBA	
Viva Voce	

### Recommended Textbooks

15. Williams NO, O'Connel PR, McCaskie. (Editors, 2018). Bailey and Love's Short Practice of Surgery (27th Edition). CRC Press. ISBN-13:978-1498796507, ISBN-10:1498796508.  
 Journals and Website to be advised by the lecturer
16. Glynn M, Drake W, (Editors, 2017). Hutchinson's Clinical Methods: An integrated approach to clinical practice (24th Edition). Elsevier. ISBN-13:978-0702067396, ISBN-10: 0702067393.
17. Bickley L (2008). Bates's Guide to Physical Examination and History taking (12th Edition). Lippincott Williams and Wilkins. ISBN-13: 9781469893419, ISBN-10:978-14698993419.
18. Lumley JS, D'Cruz AK, Hoballah Scott-Connor CE (2016). Hamilton Bailey's Demonstration of Physical Signs in Clinical Surgery (19th Edition). CRC Press. ISBN-13:978-10:1444169181.

### **(3) Course title: Obstetrics& Gynaecology and Reproductive Health**

**Credit hours: 28**

**Contact hours: 120**

**Practicals/Clinical Rounds: 900**

**Semesters for the course to be taught in:**

**X (Credit hours: 14, Contact hours: 90, Clinical Rounds: 360),**

**XI (Credit hours: 6, Contact hours: 30, Clinical Rounds: 180),**

**SXII (Credit hours: 8, Clinical Rounds: 360).**

#### **9.42.1. Introduction**

The Obstetrics and Gynaecology (OBG XXX) course is the Junior Obstetrics and Gynaecology clerkship that introduces the student to the discipline of Obstetrics and Gynaecology. The discipline is concerned with the health of a pregnant woman and the general well-being of a woman. A pregnant woman requires special health care both for herself and the pregnancy.

#### **9.42.2. Course Aim**

To provide a comprehensive understanding of issues related to pregnancy: pre-conception, conception, pregnancy, onset of labour, and puerperium period. The course also introduces the student to the complex interactions of social, cultural and physiological processes that female undergo from puberty to menopause and after.

#### **9.42.3. Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives**

By the end of this clerkship the student should have acquired the expected knowledge, skills and attitudes to practise obstetrics and gynaecology at the house officer, general practitioner and readiness to commence specialist training in obstetrics and gynaecology.

##### **9.42.3.1. Knowledge Objectives**

1. Describe the anatomical, physiological, and pathological basis of common obstetric and gynaecological conditions
2. Understand the theories of onset of labour and recognize symptoms and signs of onset of labour
3. Recognize symptoms and signs of common obstetric and gynaecological conditions.
4. Analyse symptoms and signs of obstetric gynaecological processes to arrive at a diagnosis.
5. Identify and interpret laboratory and other investigations required to make a diagnosis and/or monitor clinical progress of such patients.
6. To understand basic Knowledge of ultrasound, use in Obstetrics and Gynaecology

##### **9.42.3.2. Skills Objectives**

1. Obtain a detailed history from an Obstetric and Gynaecological patient
2. Identify physical signs in a patient with emphasis on correct procedure
3. Perform obstetric examination, including palpation and auscultation
4. Perform speculum examination under supervision
5. Conduct normal deliveries according to guidelines (Clerk sheets) under supervision
6. Draw a partogram to monitor progress of labour and identify problems in the progress
7. Perform vaginal examination under supervision for Obstetric and Gynaecological patient
8. Counselling female patient regarding contraception
9. Perform basic ultrasound scanning
10. Attitude objectives
11. Awareness of medical ethics in handling of female patients

12. Deal with female patients regarding intimate details of their lives in a sensitive and respectful manner
13. Deal with aspects of morbidity, maternal death and death of new-borns
14. Awareness of professional limitations.
15. Respect for other health professionals, both junior and senior
16. Should have good personal predisposition
17. Manage prolonged labour
18. Manage amniotic fluid disorders
19. Understand Rh immunisation
20. Diagnosing and managing bleeding in late pregnancy
21. Manage premature labour with PROM

#### 9.42.4.1. Course Content – Semester IX:

Week	Content	Content output
<b>Week 1</b>	History taking in Obstetrics and Gynaecology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Etiquette in taking a history</li> <li>○ Dating the pregnancy</li> <li>○ Taking the history</li> <li>○ Identifying risk</li> <li>○ Examination</li> <li>○ History template</li> </ul>
<b>Week 2</b>	Placental Anatomy and Physiology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Overview of the delivered placenta.</li> <li>○ Placental Development</li> <li>○ Placental Abnormalities</li> <li>○ Maternal-fetal relationship</li> <li>○ Placental transport.</li> <li>○ Placental Endocrinology</li> <li>○ Sex differences in placental function</li> </ul>
<b>Week 3</b>	Maternal physiology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Gestational weight Gain during pregnancy</li> <li>○ Cardiovascular Changes in pregnancy</li> <li>○ Hematologic Changes.</li> <li>○ Respiratory Changes</li> <li>○ Urinary changes</li> <li>○ Endocrine Changes</li> <li>○ Immunological Changes</li> <li>○ Breast Changes</li> <li>○ Skin Changes</li> </ul>
<b>Week 4</b>	Preconception and prenatal care.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition and Goal of Care</li> <li>○ Components of preconception care</li> <li>○ Preconception Health Counselling</li> <li>○ Prenatal care (ANC)</li> </ul>
<b>Week 5</b>	Genetic Counseling and Genetics Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chromosomal Abnormalities (trisomy21,18,13, monosomy X, Klinefelter Syndrome)</li> </ul>
<b>Week 6</b>	Basics of Obstetrics Ultrasound.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Indications for Ultrasound use in Obstetrics and Gynaecology</li> <li>○ First Trimester Ultrasound</li> <li>○ Second trimester Ultrasound</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Third trimester Ultrasound</li> <li>○ Antenatal fetal testing</li> <li>○ Assessment of fetal lung maturation</li> </ul>
<b>Week 7</b>	Normal Labor and Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Labour Definition and Physiology</li> <li>○ Mechanics of normal labour (power, passage &amp; passenger).</li> <li>○ Cardinal Movements of Labour</li> <li>○ Normal progress of labour and use of partograph</li> <li>○ Active management of the third stage of labour</li> <li>○ Episiotomy</li> <li>○ Essential new-born care</li> </ul>
<b>Week 8</b>	Abnormal Labor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Abnormalities of Latent Phase</li> <li>○ Abnormalities of Active phase</li> <li>○ Abnormalities of second stage</li> <li>○ Abnormalities of third stage</li> <li>○ Precipitous Labor</li> </ul>
<b>Week 9</b>	Malpositions and malpresentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Brow presentation</li> <li>○ Face presentation</li> <li>○ Shoulder presentation</li> <li>○ Shoulder dystocia</li> <li>○ Breech presentation</li> </ul>
<b>Week 10</b>	Induction and Augmentation of Labor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definitions</li> <li>○ Indications and contraindications</li> <li>○ Prerequisites for induction</li> <li>○ Methods of induction</li> <li>○ Complications of induction</li> </ul>
<b>Week 11</b>	Intrapartum fetal evaluation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Types of Fetal heart rate monitoring</li> <li>○ Normal and abnormal fetal heart rate patterns</li> <li>○ Management of abnormal fetal heart rate patterns</li> </ul>
<b>Week 12</b>	Operative vaginal Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Prerequisites</li> <li>○ Indications and contraindications</li> <li>○ Techniques for operative vaginal delivery</li> <li>○ Complications of operative vaginal delivery</li> </ul>
<b>Week 13</b>	Post-partum Hemorrhage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Causes and risk factors</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Complications</li> </ul>
<b>Week 14</b>	Obstetrics Anesthesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pain pathway</li> <li>○ Anaesthesia for labour</li> <li>○ Anaesthesia for instrumental delivery and perineal tears</li> <li>○ Anaesthesia for Caesarean section</li> </ul>

<b>Week 15</b>	Cesarean Section.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ History of Caesarean Section</li> <li>○ Indications for Caesarean section</li> <li>○ Preparation for Caesarean section</li> <li>○ Techniques of Caesarean section</li> <li>○ Complications of Caesarean section</li> <li>○ Care after caesarean section</li> </ul>
<b>Week 16</b>	Trial of Labor after Cesarean Section (TOLAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Candidates for a Trial of Labor After Caesarean</li> <li>○ Success Rates for a Trial of Labor After Caesarean</li> <li>○ Risks associated with TOLAC</li> </ul>

#### 9.42.4.2. Master time Table-Semester IX:

<b>Week</b>	<b>08: 00 – 10:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM – 01:00 PM</b>	<b>02:00 – 05 :00 PM</b>
Week 1	Interactive Lecture	Clinical round	Duty placements
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Week 15	Interactive Lecture	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 16	Interactive Lecture	Clinical round	Duty placements

### 9.42.5.1 Course content – Semester X:

Week	Lecture	Content output
Week 1	Postpartum Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Postpartum involution</li> <li>○ Health maintenance</li> <li>○ Postpartum family planning</li> </ul>
	Puerperal sepsis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Risk factors</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
Week 2	Miscarriage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Clinical Classification</li> <li>○ Risk factors</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
	Ectopic Pregnancy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Risk factors</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
Week 3	Molar pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Epidemiology and risk factors</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Post molar surveillance</li> <li>○ GTN</li> </ul>
	Hyperemesis Gravidarum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Risk factors</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
Week 4	Antepartum Hemorrhage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Physiologic adaptation to haemorrhage</li> <li>○ Definitions</li> <li>○ Classifications</li> <li>○ Causes and risk factors</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Complications</li> </ul>
	Premature rupture of membranes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fetal membranes anatomy and physiology</li> <li>○ Definition of PROM</li> <li>○ Aetiology and risk factors of PROM</li> <li>○ Diagnosis of PROM</li> <li>○ Management of PROM</li> <li>○ Complications of PROM</li> </ul>
Week 5	Preterm Labor and Birth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Clinical risk factors for preterm birth</li> <li>○ Pathophysiology of spontaneous preterm</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>birth</li> <li>○ Diagnosis of preterm birth</li> <li>○ Management of preterm birth</li> <li>○ Prevention of preterm birth</li> </ul>
	Cervical insufficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Risk factors for Cervical insufficiency</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
<b>Week 6</b>	Amniotic fluid disorders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Amniotic fluid formation and removal</li> <li>○ Ultrasound assessment of amniotic fluid volume</li> <li>○ Oligohydramnios, (diagnosis, risk factors, management and complications)</li> <li>○ Polyhydramnios, (diagnosis, risk factors, management and complications)</li> </ul>
	Prolonged and post term pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Incidence</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ complications</li> </ul>
<b>Week 7</b>	Hypertensive disorders in pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Preeclampsia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definition</li> <li>● Risk factors</li> <li>● Pathophysiology</li> <li>● Diagnosis</li> <li>● Management</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Eclampsia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definition</li> <li>● Diagnosis</li> <li>● Management</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Chronic Hypertension and superimposed preeclampsia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definition</li> <li>● Diagnosis</li> <li>● Management</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Multiple pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Diagnosis of Multiple pregnancy</li> <li>○ Complications unique to Multiple gestations</li> <li>○ Antepartum management of Multiple gestation</li> <li>○ Timing of delivery in Multiple gestation</li> <li>○ Mode of delivery in multiple gestation</li> </ul>
<b>Week 8</b>	Intrauterine growth restriction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition and pattern of fetal growth restriction</li> <li>○ Etiology of IUGR</li> <li>○ Maternal and fetal manifestations of IUGR</li> <li>○ Diagnostic tool for IUGR</li> <li>○ Screening and prevention of IUGR</li> <li>○ Treatment of IUGR</li> </ul>

	Recurrent pregnancy loss and stillbirth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definitions</li> <li>○ Common causes of early pregnancy loss</li> <li>○ Common causes of late pregnancy loss (stillbirth)</li> <li>○ Management of recurrent early pregnancy loss</li> <li>○ Management of subsequent pregnancies after stillbirth</li> </ul>
<b>Week 9</b>	Red cell Alloimmunization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Rhesus Alloimmunization and fetal/neonatal hemolytic disease of the newborn</li> <li>○ Prevention of RhD in the fetus and newborn</li> <li>○ Diagnosis of RhD Alloimmunization</li> <li>○ Management of RhD Alloimmunization</li> </ul>
	Gynaecological infections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pelvic inflammatory disease</li> <li>○ Bacterial vaginosis</li> <li>○ Vaginal candidiasis</li> <li>○ Gonorrhoea</li> </ul>
<b>Week 10</b>	Contraception and sterilization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition of family planning</li> <li>○ Medical eligibility for contraceptives</li> <li>○ Barrier Methods</li> <li>○ Short acting family planning</li> <li>○ Long acting reversible methods</li> <li>○ Permanent family planning methods</li> </ul>
	Maternal perinatal infection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Syphilis</li> <li>○ Hepatitis B</li> <li>○ HIV and PMTCT</li> <li>○ Malaria</li> </ul>
<b>Week 11</b>	Diabetes Mellitus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maternal classification and risk factors</li> <li>○ Management of Gestational diabetes in pregnancy</li> <li>○ Management of presentational diabetes in pregnancy</li> </ul>
	Hematologic complications in pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Anemia in pregnancy</li> <li>○ Pathophysiology of thrombosis of pregnancy</li> <li>○ Gestational thrombocytopenia</li> <li>○ Blood transfusion</li> </ul>
<b>Week 12</b>	Epilepsy in pregnancy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Teratogenic effects of antiepileptic drugs</li> <li>○ Preconception counselling for women with Epilepsy</li> <li>○ Care of epileptic woman during pregnancy</li> </ul>
	Menstrual Cycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Regulation of the menstrual cycle</li> <li>○ Normal Mensural cycle</li> <li>○ Abnormalities of the menstrual cycle</li> </ul>
<b>Week 13</b>	Amenorrhoea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Causes</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>

	Abnormal uterine bleeding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ PALM-COIEN classification of AUB</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
<b>Week 14</b>	Pediatric Gynaecology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Normal Puberty</li> <li>○ Abnormal puberty</li> <li>○ Evaluation and management of abnormal puberty</li> </ul>
	Pelvic mass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Uterine fibroids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Classification</li> <li>● Clinical presentation</li> <li>● Diagnosis</li> <li>● Management</li> <li>● Complications</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Adenomyosis</li> <li>○ Tubo-ovarian Abscess</li> <li>○ Benign tumours of the ovary</li> </ul>
<b>Week 15</b>	Endometriosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Aetiology and risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
	Pelvic organ prolapse.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Risk factors</li> <li>○ Clinical presentation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
<b>Week 16</b>	Obstetric Fistula.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Prevention</li> </ul>
	Reproductive Health Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maternal Mortality</li> <li>○ Perinatal Mortality</li> <li>○ Unmet need for Family planning</li> <li>○ Total fertility rate.</li> <li>○ Contraceptive prevalence</li> <li>○ Teenage Pregnancy</li> </ul>

#### 9.42.5.2 Master Time Table- Semester X:

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Week 1	Interactive Lecture	Clinical round	Interactive Lecture

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### **9.43. COURSE TITLE: OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY SENIOR CLERKSHIP**

**Course Code: OBS XXX**

**Contact Hours: 320**

**Credit Hours: 4**

**Level: Year 6**

#### **9.43.1. Introduction**

The obstetrics component of the course is to help students in developing an understanding of caring for patients with pregnancy, An appreciation of available local resources for this service and drivers of the high maternal and perinatal mortality. On the other hand, the gynaecology component deals with issues of family planning, contraception, and common gynaecology problems.

#### **9.43.2. Pre-requisites: Obstetrics and Gynaecology Core Clerkship Course**

#### **9.43.3. Aims:**

To impart the student with knowledge, skills and attitudes in obstetrics and gynaecology building on these areas:

1. Prenatal care: diagnosis and management of a pregnant woman

2. Labour and delivery: Managing labour and post-partum care
3. Gynaecology and reproductive health: diagnosis and treatment of common gynaecological problems and reproductive Health problems.

#### 9.43.4.1. Course content – Semester XI:

Week	Seminar	Seminar Output
Week 1	Trauma and related Surgery in pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Effects of anatomic and physiologic changes of pregnancy in relation to trauma</li> <li>○ Blunt trauma</li> <li>○ Pathophysiology of fetal loss resulting from maternal trauma</li> <li>○ Management consideration</li> </ul>
Week 2	Drugs and environmental Agents in pregnancy and Lactation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Basic principles of Teratology</li> <li>○ Medical drugs use</li> <li>○ Drugs of Abuse</li> <li>○ Drugs in breast Milk</li> </ul>
Week 3	Heart Disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Diagnosis and Evaluation of Heart Disease in pregnancy</li> <li>○ General care of Cardiac disease in pregnancy</li> </ul>
Week 4	Respiratory Diseases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tuberculosis</li> <li>○ Bronchial Asthma</li> </ul>
Week 5	Renal Diseases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Altered renal physiology in pregnancy</li> <li>○ Urinary tract infection</li> <li>○ Pyelonephritis</li> </ul>
Week 6	Thyroid and parathyroid disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hypothyroidism</li> <li>○ Hyperthyroidism</li> </ul>
Week 7	Polycystic ovarian syndrome.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Aetiology</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
Week 8	Anatomic disorders and intersex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Disorders of sex development</li> <li>○ Mullerian Anomalies</li> <li>○ Vaginal septum</li> <li>○ Imperforated hymen</li> </ul>
Week 9	Evaluation and treatment of infertile couples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition of infertility</li> <li>○ Classification of infertility</li> <li>○ Causes of infertility</li> <li>○ Evaluation of male infertility</li> <li>○ Evaluation of female infertility</li> <li>○ Treatment of male infertility</li> <li>○ Treatment of female infertility</li> </ul>
Week 10	Mental Health and Behavioral disorders in pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Postpartum Psychosis</li> <li>○ Substance Abuse <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Alcohol</li> <li>● Smoking</li> <li>● Caffeine</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>Week 11</b>	Menopausal transition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Clinical manifestation</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
<b>Week 12</b>	Cervical Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Incidence and risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Prevention</li> </ul>
<b>Week 13</b>	Endometrial Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Incidence and risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Prevention</li> </ul>
<b>Week 14</b>	Ovarian Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Incidence and risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> <li>○ Prevention</li> </ul>
<b>Week 15</b>	Vulvar Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Incidence and risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>
<b>Week 16</b>	Vaginal Cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Incidence and risk factors</li> <li>○ Classification</li> <li>○ Diagnosis</li> <li>○ Management</li> </ul>

**9.43.4.2. Master time Table – Semester XI:**

<b>Week</b>	<b>08: 00 – 10:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM – 01:00 PM</b>	<b>02:00 – 05 :00 PM</b>
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Week 16	Seminar presentation	Clinical round	Duty placements

#### 9.43.5.1 Course contents – Semester XII:

Week	Practical Skills Lab	Skills lab output
<b>Week 1</b>	Preoperative preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Consent for surgery</li> <li>○ Cannulation</li> <li>○ Catheterization</li> </ul>
<b>Week 2</b>	Partograph	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Definition</li> <li>○ Use</li> <li>○ How to draw</li> </ul>
<b>Week 3</b>	Normal Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fetal skull anatomy</li> <li>○ Maternal pelvic anatomy</li> <li>○ How to conduct normal delivery</li> </ul>
<b>Week 4</b>	Episiotomy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Instruments &amp; sutures</li> <li>○ Types</li> <li>○ Indications</li> <li>○ techniques</li> </ul>
<b>Week 5</b>	Instrumental Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Instruments</li> <li>○ Types</li> <li>○ Indications</li> <li>○ Techniques for Vacuum Extraction</li> <li>○ Techniques for forceps delivery</li> </ul>
<b>Week 6</b>	Caesarean Section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Instruments and sutures</li> <li>○ Preparation for CS</li> <li>○ Techniques</li> </ul>
<b>Week 7</b>	Neonatal resuscitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ APGAR score</li> <li>○ Techniques of resuscitation</li> </ul>

<b>Week 8</b>	Administration of Magnesium Sulfate and Calcium Gluconate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ How to prepare 20% out of 50% MgSo4</li> <li>○ How to give loading and maintenance dose of MgSo4?</li> <li>○ How to give Calcium Gluconate</li> </ul>
<b>Week 9</b>	Manual Vacuum Aspiration (MVA).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Instruments</li> <li>○ Indications</li> <li>○ Techniques</li> <li>○ Complications</li> </ul>
<b>Week 10</b>	Dilatation and Curettage (D&C)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Instruments</li> <li>○ Indications</li> <li>○ Techniques</li> <li>○ Complications</li> </ul>
<b>Week 11</b>	Cervical Cancer screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Types of screening</li> <li>○ When to screen</li> <li>○ How to screen</li> </ul>
<b>Week 12</b>	Insertion and removal of implanon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Types of implanon</li> <li>○ Instruments for insertion</li> <li>○ How to insert</li> <li>○ How to remove</li> </ul>
<b>Week 13</b>	Insertion and removal of IUCD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Instruments for insertion</li> <li>○ Techniques for insertion</li> <li>○ Techniques for removal</li> </ul>
<b>Week 14</b>	Injection of DMPA-SC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Techniques for injection</li> </ul>

#### 9.43.5.2. Master Time Table- Semester XII:

<b>Week</b>	<b>08: 00 – 10:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM – 01:00 PM</b>	<b>02:00 – 05 :00 PM</b>
Week 1	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 2	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 3	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 4	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 5	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 6	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 7	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 8	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 9	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements

Week 10	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 11	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 12	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 13	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 14	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 15	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements
Week 16	Practical skills Lab	Clinical round	Duty placements

#### 9.43.6. Teaching Methods Contact and Credit hours:

Method	Number	Contact Hours	Credit Hours
Interactive Lectures	64	128	8.5
Clinical Rounds	64	192	4.3
Seminar presentations	16	48	1.1
Practical skills lab	16	48	1.1
Duty placements	32	96	2.1
<b>Total contacts and credit hours</b>		<b>512</b>	<b>17.1</b>

#### 9.43.7. Assessment Methods

S/N	Assessment Methods	Remarks
<b>1.</b>	<b>Continuous Assessment</b>	<b>40%</b>
	1.1 Assignments (Write-ups)	10%
	1.2 Written test	15%
	1.3 Practical	10%
	1.4 Attendants and Punctuality	5%
<b>2.</b>	<b>Summative Assessment</b>	<b>60%</b>
	2.1 Paper I (SBA)	20%

	2.2 Paper II (Essays and short notes)	20%
	2.3 Clinical long case	15%
	2.4 Objective structured clinical evaluation (OSCE)	5%

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#### **(4) Course title: Paediatrics and Child Health**

**Credit hours: 26**

**Contact hours: 90**

**Practical/Clinical Rounds: 900**

**Semesters for the courses to be taught:**

**X (Credit hours: 12, Contact hours: 60, Clinical Rounds: 360),**

**XI (Credit hours: 6, Contact hours: 30, Clinical Rounds: 180),**

**XII (Credit hours: 8, Clinical Rounds: 360).**

#### **Introduction**

This course is the Pediatrics and Child Health Junior clerkship which introduces the student to the discipline of pediatrics which is concerned with the health of infants, children and adolescents; their growth and development; and their opportunities to achieve full potential as adults. The young are often among the most vulnerable or disadvantaged in society, and thus their needs require special attention. As physicians who voluntarily assume a responsibility for children's health from conception to maturity pediatricians are not only concerned with organ systems and biological processes but with social and environmental factors which impact on the health and well-being of children and their families.

#### **Course Aim**

The aim of the course is to provide a basic understanding of the concepts, principles and practice(s) of Pediatrics and Child Health.

#### **Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives**

At the end of this course, the student shall be able to:

1. Explain the concept and significance of Paediatrics and Child Health in order to highlight awareness that the health problems of children differ from those of adults and that the child's response to illness and stress varies with age.
2. Demonstrate a systematic approach to examination of the paediatric patient through observation, history taking and physical examination.
3. Recognise the normal patterns and milestones of growth and development of children at each age and deviations from the norm so that underlying disorders may be promptly identified and given appropriate attention.
4. Recognize that appropriate nutrition in children is necessary to prevent illnesses and to develop physical and mental potential.
5. Recognize that prevention in the health care of infants, children, and adolescents is at the core of the field of paediatrics.
6. Relate the pathophysiology of body fluids and fluid therapy to the management of specific pediatric illnesses.
7. Evaluate the acutely ill child in order to institute appropriate treatment.
8. To correlate signs and symptoms with diseases processes occurring in different body systems.
9. Recognise signs and symptoms of common infectious diseases.
10. Judge when to use antimicrobial agents and analgesics.

#### **Course Content**

1. The Discipline of Paediatrics and Child Health
2. Overview of Paediatrics.
3. Ethics in Paediatric Care.
4. Cultural Issues in Paediatric Care.
5. Child Health in the Developing World.
6. The Well Child.
7. Advocacy for child health.

#### **Approach to Examination of the Paediatric Patient**

1. The Paediatric interview.
2. Observation.
3. Physical examination of systems (e.g. CNS, RS, GIT, CVS, MSS).
4. Examination of the new born.

5. The adolescent patient.

### **The Assessment of Normal and Abnormal Development and the Evaluation of Growth**

1. Four general characteristics of normal development.
2. Four major functional categories of developmental assessment.
3. Evaluation of development.
4. Developmental abnormalities.
5. Growth and development during the first five years of life.
6. The growth chart.
7. Evaluation of short and long stature; failure to thrive.

### **Nutrition and Nutritional disorders in the developing child**

Age related nutritional requirements

#### **The feeding of infants and children**

1. Breast feeding;
2. Formula feeding.
3. Deficiency states and food insecurity, hunger and under nutrition.
4. Vitamin deficiencies and excesses.

#### **Preventive Paediatrics**

1. Immunisation (Vaccine-based).
2. Screening (congenital hypothyroidism).
3. Anticipatory guidance.

#### **Foetus and new born infant**

1. Normal new born infant.
2. Delivery room management;
3. Transition;
4. Routine Care.
5. Respiratory distress in the new born: aetiology, clinical features, diagnosis, management
6. Effect of maternal medications on the foetus and suckling infant: classification, indications, contraindications

#### **Abnormal new born infant**

1. Resuscitation.
2. Conditions /diseases
3. Prematurity
4. SGA, LGA
5. Sepsis
6. HIE
7. Jaundice
8. Common congenital malformations, genetic and chromosomal abnormalities.

#### **The Acutely Ill Child**

1. Paediatric emergencies and resuscitation.
2. Shock.
3. Respiratory distress and failure.
4. Mechanical ventilation renal stabilization.
5. Nutritional Stabilization.
6. Neurologic Stabilization.
7. Acute care of the multiple trauma victim.

#### **The child with a disorder of fluid and electrolyte homeostasis**

1. Summary of physiologic principles
2. Normal sources of water and electrolyte loss;
3. Normal body defences against water and salt losses.
4. Dehydration
5. Characteristics of dehydration
6. Treatment of dehydration
7. Prevention of dehydration
8. Electrolyte and acid-base disorders

### **Treatment of specific disorders**

1. Acute diarrhoea and oral rehydration
2. Diarrhoea in chronically malnourished children
3. Pyloric stenosis
4. Peri-operative fluids

### **Environmental Emergencies**

1. Poisoning General
2. Specific poisonings/ingestions
3. Hydrocarbons
4. Organophosphates
5. Theophylline
6. Anticholinergic substances
7. Carbon monoxide
8. Acids and alkali
9. Iron plants

### **Allergy and related disorders**

- 1 Allergy and the immunologic basis of atopic
- 2 Disease
- 3 Diagnosis of allergic disease
- 4 Principles of treatment of allergic disease
- 5 Allergic rhinitis
- 6 Childhood asthma
- 7 Atopic dermatitis (atopic eczema)
- 8 Urticaria and angioedema
- 9 Anaphylaxis serum sickness
- 10 Adverse reactions to drugs, insect allergy, ocular allergies
- 11 Adverse reactions to foods

### **Infectious diseases**

1. Malaria
2. HIV and AIDS (Aetiology, Clinical staging)
3. Diagnosis of opportunistic infections
4. TB
5. Fever
6. Sepsis and shock
7. Infections in immuno-compromised persons
8. Nosocomial infection
9. Common childhood exanthematous illnesses
  - Measles
  - Rubella
  - Chickenpox
  - Polio
10. Mumps and whooping cough
11. Typhoid fever
12. Diphtheria
13. Parasitic disorders
  - Protozoal infections
    - Amoebiasis
    - Giardiasis
    - Malaria
    - Leishmaniasis
    - Filariasis
  - Nematodes
    - Round worms
    - Hook worms
    - Thread worms
    - Pin worm

Ascariasis

Trichuriasis

#### Cestodes

Taeniasis (*Taenia solium* and *Taenia saginata*)

*Echinococcus granulosus* and *Echinococcus multilocularis*  
(hydatid cyst)

*Diphyllobothrium latum* (fish or broad tapeworm)

*Spirometra* spp. plerocoid tapeworm larvae (sparganosis)

Cysticercosis (*T.solium*)

*Hymenolepis nana* and *Hymenolepis diminuta* (dwarf tapeworm and rat tapeworm)

#### Trematodes

Blood flukes (schistosomiasis, bilharziasis)

Liver flukes (fascioliasis, clonorchiasis, opisthorchiasis)

Intestinal flukes (fasciolopsiasis)

Lung flukes (paragonimiasis)

### Gastrointestinal disorders

- 1 Common GIT symptoms: vomiting, constipation, rectal bleeding
- 2 Diarrhoea (Acute, Persistent, Chronic)
- 3 Acute diarrhoea: assessment of dehydration, management, oral rehydration therapy, nutritional management
- 4 Jaundice
- 5 Persistent diarrhoea
- 6 Acute and chronic abdominal pain
- 7 Malabsorption
- 8 Gastrointestinal bleeding
- 9 Constipation (Causes and management of constipation)
  - Hirschprung's disease
  - Encopresis
8. Inflammatory bowel disease
9. Liver disease
10. Others:
  - Gastro-oesophageal reflux (GOR)
  - Cholecystitis
  - Pancreatitis
  - Pyloric stenosis
  - Parasitic infestation

### Respiratory Disorders

1. General signs and symptoms
2. Stridor
3. Respiratory failure
4. Cough
5. Wheezing
6. Cyanosis
7. Hemoptysis
8. Apnoea
9. Chest pain

### Upper Respiratory tract infection

1. Upper airway (common cold, acute streptococcal pharyngitis, otitis media, croup)
2. Lower airway ( pneumonia: epidemiology, aetiology, clinical features, diagnosis, management, prevention)
3. Parenchymal
4. Asthma
5. Cystic fibrosis

## **Cardiovascular disorders**

1. General aspects
2. Congestive heart failure: causes, diagnosis and management
3. Cyanotic congenital heart disease
4. Acyanotic congenital heart disease
5. Infectious and post infectious diseases (RHD)
6. Cardiomyopathies
7. Rate and rhythm disorders
8. Infective endocarditis

## **Disorders of the blood/neoplasms**

### **Haemato-oncology**

1. Haemolytic anaemia in children
2. Acute leukaemia and lymphomas
3. Solid tumours in children

## **The child with suspect renal disease**

1. General
2. Normal function
3. Proteinuria
4. Haematuria
5. Dysuria
6. Acute renal failure
7. Nephrotic syndrome
8. Incontinence

## **Acquired Renal Conditions**

1. Infection of the urinary tract
2. Acute glomerulonephritis
3. Nephrotic syndrome
4. IGA nephropathy
5. Haemolytic-uremic syndrome
6. Henoch-Schoenlein purpura

## **Other Renal Conditions**

1. Renal Failure
2. Chronic renal failure
3. Hypertension, Renal stones
4. Renal tumours

## **CNS/Neurologic Disorders**

1. Signs/symptoms of neurologic dysfunction
2. Headache
3. Altered level of consciousness
4. Ataxia
5. Movement disorders
6. Increased intracranial pressure
7. Weakness
8. Poliomyelitis
9. Myopathies
10. Macrocephaly and microcephaly
11. Hydrocephalus
12. Mental retardation
13. Cerebral palsy
14. TB meningitis
15. Pyogenic meningitis

## **Infection Meningitis**

1. Encephalitis
2. Abscess

### **Seizures General**

1. Febrile
2. Pyogenic meningitis
3. Neonatal
4. Infantile spasms
5. Absence epilepsies
6. Complex partial seizures
7. Status epilepticus

### **Peripheral nerve and muscle Guerin-Barre syndrome**

1. Neuropathy
2. Muscle diseases

### **Endocrine conditions**

1. Thyroid disorders: hypothyroidism, hyperthyroidism
2. Diabetes mellitus
3. Pituitary gland disorders
4. Adrenal gland disorders (CAH)
5. Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus

### **Genetics disorders**

1. Genetics anomalies
2. Chromosomal disorders
3. Inborn errors of metabolism

### **Paediatric psychiatry**

1. Encopresis and enuresis
2. Mental retardation
3. Autism spectrum disorders
4. Attention deficit Disorders
5. Conduct Disorder
6. Alcohol and Substance abuse in adolescence
7. Child abuse
8. Principles of child and adolescence psychopharmacology

### **Topics to be covered as Seminars and Tutorials**

1. Integrated management of Childhood Illness (IMCI)
2. Malnutrition
3. Immunization (EPI)
4. Malaria
5. HIV & AIDS
6. Tuberculosis
7. Asthma
8. Infective endocarditis
9. Fulminant hepatic failure
10. Sickle cell anaemia
11. Diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA)
12. Acute flaccid paralysis

### **Teaching Methods & Contact Hours**

Lectures:	2 hours/week
Small Group Discussions:	2 hours/week
Bedside Teaching:	20 hours/week
Tutorials:	10 hours/week
Seminars:	1 hour/week

### **Assessment Methods**

Assessment shall include assessment of knowledge, skills and attitudes:

<b>Continuous Assessment-</b>	<b>40%</b>
Evaluation of the log-book -	5%
Written exam-	15%.
Clinical examination: OSCE, long case,	20%
<b>Final Examination -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written: Paper I- Essays and short answer questions -	20%.
Paper II - Multiple Choice questions –	10%
Clinical: OSCE -	25%.
Final oral exam-	5%.

Pass mark: 50% or better: the clinical component must be passed in order to pass the examination.

### Recommended Text Books

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Integrated Management of Childhood Illness. Publishers. WHO, UNICEF

## **COURSE TITLE: PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH SENIOR CLERKSHIP**

### Pre-requisites:

Paediatrics and Child Health Core Clerkship

### Introduction:

Students will be exposed to outpatient and inpatient paediatrics services in the following sites: teaching hospital children wards, or district hospital paediatric centre and outreach paediatric services. Students will be expected to clerk patients, take full paediatric history, perform physical examinations, and formulate differential diagnoses and management plans. Students will be integrated into the ward team caring for the paediatric patient and be responsible for admitting patients, devise a management plan and continue managing the patient until discharged. They will be expected to also come up with a discharge plan. Students are expected to review online the disease conditions of their patients for purposes of learning more about the particular, any new treatment protocols that would be used to better manage the patient. They are encouraged to use textbooks, journals and electronic resources.

### Course Aim

The general course aim is to prepare the student for their role, upon graduation, as a house officer and thereafter as a general practitioner taking care of children, and also those who wish to engage in postgraduate training:

1. Child growth and development:  
Demonstrate the ability to monitor child development from infancy to adolescence.
2. Well infant/child care:  
Able to care from neonatal through baby stage to child.
3. Prevention:  
Be able to discuss disease prevention measures from infancy through to adolescence.
4. Common acute problems:  
Demonstrate the ability to diagnose and manage these conditions in pediatric patients.
5. Infections:  
Ability to recognize and diagnose common infectious problems in paediatric patients
6. Paediatric emergencies:

Recognise and stabilise paediatric patients with conditions that require emergency management, urgently refer for specialist management

7. Disabilities and chronic conditions: Ability to supervise the necessary ongoing management of paediatric patients in this category

8. Adolescent health: Able to manage adolescent health problems

#### **Procedures:**

Able to discuss indications and contraindications and counsel parents/guardians to perform diagnostic and therapeutic procedures in paediatric patients: lumbar puncture, intravenous lines, drawing blood for investigations etc.

#### **Content:**

1. Normal and abnormal growth and development
2. Wellness in an infant or child
3. Prevention of diseases: immunisation, nutrition, exercise, accident/injury prevention
4. Common acute problems: new born jaundice, asthma, abdominal pain, enuresis, constipation, strabismus, gait, problems, headache, limb pain, skin disorders, speech difficulties, hearing and vision problems, malformations
5. Infections: URIs, otitis media, conjunctivitis, pneumonia, gastroenteritis, UTIs. Balanitis, vaginitis, impetigo, fever, HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria
6. Emergent problems: neonatal congenital defects, hypoglycaemia, severe jaundice, dehydration, convulsions, epiglottitis, meningitis, septicaemia, depression with suicidal ideation, head injury
7. Chronic and disability illnesses: malnutrition, epilepsy, diabetes, congenital defects, learning disabilities, intellectual and physical handicaps, AD (HD), mood disorders
8. Adolescents Health: eating disorders, acne, injury prevention, contraception, menstrual problems, mood disorders, sports injuries, relationships with family, friends, and partners.
9. Procedures: resuscitation, removal of wax from the ear canals, visual screening, ophthalmoscopy, removal of foreign body from eye, throat, nose or ear, immunisation injections, venepuncture, suturing, casting, bladder catheterisation, nasogastric feeding, intravenous infusion including scalp IV line, lumbar puncture, laryngoscopy and intubation

#### **Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives:**

On successful completion of the course the student should be able to:

1. Take a comprehensive history of the child and her/his family with regards to the health an illness of the infants, child and adolescents
2. Perform a comprehensive physical examination of infants, children and adolescents
3. Synthesise data from the history, physical examination and interpretation of laboratory results and formulate a problem-oriented approach to the patient's presenting problems.
4. Based on the understanding of normal growth and development of infants, children and adolescents apply this understanding to appreciate that impact of illness on the patient.
5. Apply knowledge of the basic sciences and epidemiology to the diagnosis and management of clinical paediatric problems.
6. Demonstrate how health problems in infants, children, and adolescents in terms are approached in terms of assessment, diagnosis and ultimately management.
7. Implement strategies for health supervision to prevent diseases, injury and screening in infants, children and adolescents
8. Demonstrate an understanding of the influence of family, community, and society on the child in health and disease.
9. Demonstrate the attitudes and professional behaviours appropriate for clinical and community paediatric practice

#### **9.45.7. Teaching / Training Methods and Teaching Hours**

40 hours/week x 8weeks-- 320 hours

Clinical rotations

Beside teaching

Seminars

Tutorials

Lectures

Web/ICT learning

## Assessment

### Rationale:

The criteria for assessment is knowledge of applied basic sciences and surgical sciences, clinical competence, and professionalism and ethics. Failure in clinical competence assessment will mean that the student has failed the course. Reliable and appropriate assessment methods will be used reflecting the learning the learning outcomes/learning objectives of the course.

<b>Continuous assessment -</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Final Examination (written and Clinical) -</b>	<b>60%</b>
Written: Paper I- Essays and short answer questions -	20%.
Paper II - Multiple Choice questions –	10%
Clinical: OSCE -	25%.
Final oral exam-	5%.

Pass mark: 50% or better: the clinical component must be passed in order to pass the examination.

### Recommended Text Books

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## Annex for National Medical Curriculum, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) Core curriculum

Courses with their contact hours, Practical/Clerkship, Credit hours and course distribution per Semester.

One credit hour=15 contact hours or 45 hours practical/Clerkship.

### 1. Semester I: General University requirements (Applied Basic Sciences & Other Courses)

S/N	Code	Course	Contact hours		Credit Hours
			Lectures	Practicals/ Tutorials	
1		Applied Mathematics	30	45	3
2		Applied Chemistry	75	135	8
3		Biology( Botany & Zoology)	60	90	6
4		Principles of Genetics	15	45	2
5		Behavioural Sciences (Psychology, Anthropology & Sociology)	30	0	2
6		Computer Sciences	15	45	2
7		Communication Skills for health workers	30	0	2
8		Applied Physics	45	135	6
9		<b>South Sudan Foundation</b>	60	0	4
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>35</b>

**N.B: Practical Manuals to be developed for disciplines that have practicals.**

## 2.0. Semesters II, III, IV (2<sup>nd</sup> Year) & V (3<sup>rd</sup> Yr) ( Basic Medical Sciences)

S/N	Code	Course	Contact hours		Credit Hours
			Lectures	Practical	
1		Human Anatomy	75	630	19
2		Medical Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	210	450	24
3		Medical Physiology	210	405	23
4		Community Medicine	120	90	10
5		TOTAL	615	1,575	76

N.B: Practical Manuals to be developed for disciplines that have practicals.

Log book for Community Medicine placement will be developed.

### 2.1. Courses distribution: Semesters II, III, IV & V (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Year)

S/N	Code	Course	SII	SIII	SIV	SV	Credit Hours
1		Human Anatomy	60-45	15-180	15-180	15-180	19
2		Medical Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	30-45	60-90	60-135	60-135	24
3		Medical Physiology	30-45	60-90	60-90	60-180	23
4		Community Medicine	60		60	60-90	10
5							76

Key: Eg. 60-45 means first number before dash=contact hours. Second number after dash=Practical hours.

### 3.0. Semesters VI (3<sup>rd</sup> yr.), VII & VIII (4<sup>th</sup> yr.)

S/N	Code	Course	Contact hours		Credit Hours
			Lectures	Practical	
1		Pathology	195	270	20
2		Microbiology and Immunology	165	270	18
3		Clinical Pharmacology	90	180	10
4		Community Medicine	75	90	7
5		Introduction to Medicine	30	270	8
6		Introduction to Surgery	30	270	8
7		Total	585	1,350	69

N.B: Practical Manuals to be developed for disciplines that have practical.

Log books for Clinical Pharmacology, Community Medicine, Medicine and Surgery placement will be developed.

### 3.1. Courses distribution, Semesters VI (3<sup>rd</sup> yr.), VII & VIII (4<sup>th</sup> yr)

S/N	Code	Course	VI	VII	VIII	Credit Hours
1		Pathology	60-90	75-90	75-90	20
2		Medical Microbiology & Immunology	60-90	60-90	60-90	18
3		Clinical Pharmacology	-	60-90	30-90	10
4		Community Medicine	-	15-90	60-0	7
5		Medicine	30-270	-	-	8
		Surgery	30-270	-	-	8
		TOTAL				69

#### 4.0. Semesters, IX & X (5<sup>th</sup> Yr.)

S/N	Code	Course	Contact hours		Credit Hours
			Lectures	Practical hours	
1		Community Medicine	30		2
2		Forensic Medicine& Toxicology	30	90	4
3		Ophthalmology	15	90	3
4		Otolaryngology(ENT)	15	90	3
5		Dermatology and Venereology	15	90	3
6		Orthopaedics and Traumatology	60	90	6
7		Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine	15	90	3
8		Molecular Medicine	15	45	2
9		Radiology and Medical Imaging	15	90	3
10		Psychiatry	45	135	8
11		Pediatrics and Child Health	60	360	12
12		Obstetrics & Gynaecology	90	360	14
13		Internal Medicine	45	720	19
14		Surgery	45	540	15
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>2,790</b>	<b>100</b>

Log books for Clinical placement will be developed.

#### 4.1. Courses distribution: Semesters, IX & X (5<sup>th</sup> year.)

S/N	Code	Course	IX	X	Credit Hours
1.		Community Medicine	30	-	2
2.		Forensic Medicine	30-45	30-45	4
3.		Ophthalmology	15-90		3
4.		Otolaryngology(ENT)	15-90		3
5.		Dermatology and Venereology	15-90		3
6.		Orthopaedics and Traumatology	30-45	30-45	6

7.		Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine	15-90		3
8.		Molecular Medicine	15-45		2
9.		Radiology and Medical Imaging	15-90		3
10.		Psychiatry	45-45	45-45	8
11.		Pediatrics and Child Health	30-180	30-180	12
12.		Reproductive Health and Obstetrics and Gynaecology	45-180	45-180	14
13.		Internal Medicine	30-360	15-360	19
14.		Surgery	30-180	15-360	15
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>97</b>

### 5. Semester XI (6<sup>th</sup> Yr.) Courses.

S/N	Code	Course	Contact hours		Credit Hours
			Lectures	Practical	
1		Internal Medicine	60	360	12
2		Surgery	60	360	12
3		Pediatrics & Child Health	30	180	6
4		Reproductive Health and Obstetrics & Gynaecology	30	180	6
5		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>36</b>

### 6. Semester XII (6<sup>th</sup> yr.)(Purely clerkship)

S/N	Code	Course	Contact hours			Credit Hours
			Lectures	Practical	Tutorials	
1		Internal Medicine		720		16
2		Surgery		720		16

<b>3</b>		<b>Pediatrics &amp; Child Health</b>		<b>360</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>4</b>		<b>Reproductive Health and Obstetrics &amp;Gynaecology</b>		<b>360</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>5</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2160</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48</b>

**Log books for Clinical placement will be developed.**

**Sample for the Transcript**

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**This is to certify that .....nationality, date of birth.....,was accepted to the Faculty/College/School.....in the academic year...../.....**

**General University Requirements, Semester 1, Academic year...../.....scored the following results:**

Subject	Remarks
Applied Mathematics	
Applied Chemistry	
Biology( Botany & Zoology)	
Principles of Genetics	
Behavioural Sciences ( Psychology,Anthropology& Sociology)	
Computer Sciences	
Communication Skills for health workers	
Applied Physics	
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**Passed General University requirements and promoted to semester II**

Semester II& III academic year...../.....scored the following results:

Subject	Remarks
Human Anatomy	
Medical biochemistry and Molecular Biology	
Medical Physiology	

Passed semester II&III and promoted to semester IV&V

Semester IV&V academic year...../.....scored the followings

Subject	Remarks
Human Anatomy	
Medical biochemistry and Molecular biology	
Medical Physiology	

Passed part one MBBS and promoted to semester VI

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## BACK PAGE: CREDIT HOURS and the grading system

### General University Requirements, Semester I

Subject	Credit Hours
Applied Mathematics	
Applied Chemistry	
Biology( Botany & Zoology)	
Principles of Genetics	
Behavioral Sciences ( Psychology, Anthropology& Sociology)	
Computer Sciences	
Communication Skills for health workers	
Applied Physics	
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### Semester II& III

Subject	Credit Hours
Human Anatomy	
Medical biochemistry and Molecular biology	
Medical Physiology	

### Semester IV&V

Subject	Credit Hours
Human Anatomy	
Medical biochemistry and Molecular biology	
Medical Physiology	

### Semester VI, VII &VIII

Subject	Remarks
Medical Microbiology and Immunology	
Pathology	
Clinical Pharmacology	

### Semester IX and X

Subject	Remarks
<b>Community Medicine</b>	
<b>Forensic Medicine</b>	

<b>Ophthalmology</b>	
<b>Otolaryngology(ENT)</b>	
<b>Dermatology and Venereology</b>	
<b>Orthopaedics and Traumatology</b>	
<b>Anaesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine</b>	
<b>Molecular Medicine</b>	
<b>Radiology and Imaging</b>	
<b>Psychiatry and Mental Health</b>	

#### **Semester XI and XII**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Internal Medicine	
Surgery	
Pediatrics and Child Health	
Reproductive Health and Obstetrics and Gynaecology	

#### **Grading system.**

<b>Marks %</b>	<b>Letter grade</b>	<b>Letter wording</b>	<b>Grade points</b>
80-100	A	Excellent	4.00
70-79	B+	Very Good	3.50
60-69	B	Good	3.00
50-59	C	Pass	2.00
<50	F	Fail	0.0

**Grade Point Average scoring is a 4-point system with a maximum score of 4 points.**

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