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Programme Name: Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS)

Programme Description

The MBBS curriculum focuses on the health care problems of the country and Pacific region. The curriculum education strategy is **Student-centered based**. Its course content is focused on **teaching essential things**. The **Methodology** is blended with lecture and practical. The teaching of medical knowledge will be based on solid scientific principles and clinical skills however, it will also focus on the development of students' analytical skills and their ability to make sound judgments based on evidence and experience. Students will be engaging as effective training interns under the guidance of clinical lecturers and senior registrars.

Admission Requirements:

- a) Direct Entry - Year 13 (FSFE) or Equivalent
 - i. Pass in Fiji Year 13 Examination (FSFE) or its equivalent (at least 320 marks in 4 subjects with English, Biology, Mathematics compulsory and either/or Chemistry, Physics, Computer Science) with a minimum of 60% in English.
 - ii. International candidates will be decided on a case-by-case basis. All international candidates must attach a recent (within 3 months) Medical Report with the application. All international candidates must provide evidence of English proficiency.
 - iii. Pass Foundation Science programme with a minimum of 8 subjects (2 English, 2 Biology, 2 Mathematics and either/or 2 Chemistry, 2 Physics). An aggregate of GPA \geq 3.5 without any fail grades or undeclared results and a Minimum of B+ in English.
- b) Degree Level Entry
 - i. Bachelor of Science or other Science/Medical degree with at least Year 1 completed and without any pending results. Must have an aggregate GPA of 3.5 and above and not have failed or repeated any courses.
- c) Mature Entry
 - i. Age limit $>21 \leq 40$ at the time of enrolment
 - ii. Relevant work experience in the health sector desirable (Minimum 3 years)
 - iii. Must have completed a relevant Bachelor's Degree in Science/ Health Science/Public Health (Relevance will be decided by the Board of Studies of UPSM&HS).
 - iv. Must apply with an approval letter from the Ministry of Health
- d) Transfer Students
 - i. Will only be accepted in Year 1 if the student fulfills any one of the above criteria
 - ii. Confirmation of seat is subject to availability and at the discretion of the Dean.

[Please Note English, Biology, and Mathematics are compulsory subjects]

Duration of the programme: 6 years (Full-time)

Location: Saweni Campus

Estimated Tuition Fees - Local (FJD): FJD \$ \$75,750.00

Estimated Tuition Fees –International: FJD \$151,500.00

Programme Structure

The MBBS programme has a total of 720 credit points, that is, 120 credit points per year. Students must complete all the courses as listed below.

Year 1:

Course Title	Credit Point
ANAT101 Human Anatomy	30
PHYS102 Human Physiology	30
BIOC103 Medical Biochemistry	30
MECT104 Medical Ethics, Culture and Terminology	30

Year 2:

Course Title	Credit Points
PATH201 Human Pathology	30
MICR202 Human Microbiology	30
PHRM203 Human Pharmacology	30
BAPS204 Basic Professional Skills	30

Year 3:

Course Title	Credit Points
IMED301 Internal Medicine	20
SURG302 General Surgery	20
OBGY303 Obstetrics and Gynaecology	20
PAED304 Paediatrics	20
CMED305 Community Health and Family Medicine	20
CLSK306 Clinical Skills	20

Year 4:

Course Title	Credit Points
IMED401 Internal Medicine	20
SURG402 General Surgery	20
OBGY403 Obstetrics and Gynaecology	20
PAED404 Paediatrics	20
CMED405 Community Health and Family Medicine	20
PSYC406 Psychiatry	20

YEAR 5:

Course Title	Credit Points
IMED501 Internal Medicine	16

SURG502 General Surgery	16
OBGY503 Obstetrics and Gynaecology	16
PAED504 Paediatrics	16
CMED505 Community Health and Family Medicine	16
ALSB506 Allied Subject	24
FMED507 Forensic Medicine	16

Year 6: Semester 1, 2

Course Title	Credit Points
IMED601 Internal Medicine	15
SURG602 General Surgery	15
OBGY603 Obstetrics and Gynaecology	15
PAED604 Paediatrics	15
CMED605 Community Health and Family Medicine	60

Note: All courses are offered in 4-week blocks per specialty, except for CMED605 Community and Family Medicine, which is offered in 16 weeks blocks. Students are also required to pass OSCE6 Objective Structure Clinical Examination Year 6 (oral examination) and MCQ6 Exit Multiple Choice Questions Year 6.

Audit Courses

These are the pure clinical subjects that have many areas which are compulsory for students to attend. Students will not be assessed or graded for it. These audit courses are part of the: Internal Medicine, General Surgery and Orthopaedics, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Paediatrics, Community Medicine, and Evidence-Based Practice courses

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