MOS - Master of Surgery (General Surgery)

Taking into account Malaysia's pressing need to produce specialists in various medical disciplines in order to promote advancements in medicine, the Kulliyyah of Medicine offers Master's and Doctoral degree programmes, as well as postgraduate clinical programmes in various specialized disciplines.

Programme Description

Year One (1) will comprise of one year posting in General Surgery. The trainee is expected to carry out course-work in additional to their clinical commitments. The course work will include case write-up, journal reviews, participate in basic surgical skills training and research methodology training workshops and also maintain a log book.

Year Two (2) will comprise of four specialty postings of which Neurosurgery, Urology and Paediatric Surgery are mandatory while the trainees are given an option of selecting Cardiothoracic, Intensive Care or Plastic Surgery as their fourth posting.

Year Three (3) will comprise of the trainees functioning as Registrars in General Surgery. The trainees will be posted in subspecialties within General Surgery namely Upper Gastrointestinal and Hepatobiliary, Breast and Endocrine, Colorectal and Vascular Surgery.

Year Four (4) will comprise of the trainees functioning as Senior Registrars in General Surgery. The trainees are expected to attend the stipulated workshop and actively participate and organize other CME activities in addition to their clinical commitments. The clinical commitment will involve postings in General Surgery subspecialties namely Upper Gastrointestinal and Hepatobiliary, Breast and Endocrine and Colorectal Surgery.

The course work will include case write-ups, journal reviews, basic minimally invasive surgical skills training, endoscopy training and maintaining a log book. In addition to these, the trainee should prepare a thesis which must be submitted towards the end of the programme and also participate in the stipulated workshops.

Our programme will include Islamic input, ethics and humanities throughout the duration of the training.

Entry Requirements

• English Language Proficiency:

Applicants are required to present a valid certificate for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing Service (IELTS) or the IIUM administered English Placement Test (EPT) with required minimum scores of 550 (TOEFL) and 6.0 (IELTS & EPT - individual bands)

- Specific requirements
- 1) Malaysian applicant
- a) Possesses a MBBS / MD degree or equivalent qualification from an institution recognised by the Malaysian Medical Council (MMC).
- b) Had undertaken at least one year of post-full registration clinical experience, preferably in a surgically-related field, certified by the relevant authorities.
- 2) International applicant
- a) Possesses a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree or equivalent from a university and is registrable under the Medical Practitioner Act 1971 (Act No. 50) of Malaysia.
- b) Had undertaken at least three years of post-registration clinical experience preferably in a surgically related field certified by the relevant authorities.

c) The applicant is required to undergo a six- month probation period in a surgical posting prior to acceptance into the programme.

Other requirements

- 1) Favourable referees' reports.
- 2) Successfully completed the Entrance Evaluation by the Postgraduate Committee of the Department of Surgery.
- 3) Any other relevant entrance evaluations as required by the University.

• Entrance tests:

Submission of satisfactory test scores of an internationally recognized graduate test will be considered for those holding first degrees from institutions of higher learning that are not accredited by the Ministry of Higher Education. They may also have to sit an Aptitude Test if deemed necessary by the Kulliyyah Board of Postgraduate Studies.

Professional references

As required in the postgraduate studies application form.

Character references

As required in the postgraduate studies application form.

Personal interview

Telephone interviews may be carried out if deemed appropriate by the Kulliyyah Postgraduate Committee.

• Financial Documentation

Proof of financial sponsorship for the duration of the course is necessary as stipulated in the application form.