

SRI LANKA MEDICAL COUNCIL (SLMC)

Guidelines for approval of the Medical/Dental Degrees of Sri Lankan Citizens who have graduated with a recognized foreign Medical/Dental qualification and wish to practice Medicine/Dentistry in Sri Lanka

STEP ONE:

The following are the requirements for approval of the Medical/Dental degree and to be permitted to sit the Examination for Registration to Practice Medicine (ERPM) or the Examination for Registration to Practice Dental Surgery (ERPDS) respectively in Sri Lanka.

1. The applicant should be a Sri Lankan Citizen
2. The applicant should hold a degree from a Medical/Dental School or University recognized by the **Sri Lanka Medical Council**.
3. Any applicant who entered a Medical/Dental school on or after **10th April 2021** should have passed the GCE Advanced Level Examination with the following grades:
 - 3.1. Sri Lankan GCE Advanced Level – at least two (2) Credit Passes (C) and one (1) Ordinary Pass (S) in the Biology stream (Biology, Chemistry and Physics or Mathematics (in lieu of Physics before August 2018) in one and the same certificate (sitting) Or
 - 3.2. GCE Advanced Level – London/Cambridge/Edexcel etc – at least two (2) Cs and one (1) D in the Biology stream in one and the same certificate (sitting).

Note: If anyone who passes the GCE Advanced Level examination in a country other than Sri Lanka or 3.2 above, intends to enroll in a medical school to follow a medical or dental programme he/she should obtain an eligibility certificate from the Sri Lanka Medical Council before enrolling in the Medical/Dental school. Students are strongly advised that it is a procedure which should be done before entry into a Medical/Dental school.

Pre-Medical Courses, Foundation Courses and Preparatory Courses are **NOT accepted by the SLMC**.

STEP TWO: Preparation to apply for Degree Approval

1. The Original GCE Advanced Level (A/L) Certificate issued by the Examination Authority and a clear photocopy of same are required.

Graduates who do not have the GCE A/L criteria as stipulated above but who have entered a Medical/Dental school before **10th April 2021**, should provide a valid document for proof of entry of enrolment (admission) with the correct dates of admission.

2. The original degree certificate together with a clear photocopy of the same is required. Please note that the application will not be accepted if you do not provide your original degree certificate. Provisional Pass certificates, letters of confirmation of completing the final examination or Registration certificates in that country will **NOT BE ACCEPTED**. The final degree certificate **MUST** be available before applying for the degree approval.

If the degree certificate is in any language other than **English**, a translation of the certificate in to English either by the Medical/Dental school or a translation duly certified by the Sri Lankan Embassy in that country should be provided.

3. The original marks sheet or transcript with a clear photocopy is required indicating the date of entry to the course and the duration of training as an undergraduate.

If the mark sheet or transcript is in any language other than **English**, a translation of the document/s in English certified either by the Medical/Dental school or duly certified by the Sri Lankan High Commission or embassy in that country should be provided.

4. The original passport/s of the applicant, covering the period of training at the Medical/Dental school with photocopies of the information page and all pages indicating visas for entry and exit and stamped pages even if travelled to other countries for the entire period of training.

If more than one passport has been used to travel during Medical/Dental studies, photocopies of page 2 of the endorsement of each passport is also required.

5. The fee for “Degree Approval – Foreign” is **Rs. 12000/=**, which should be credited to the account of the Sri Lanka Medical Council **A/C No. 0000371208 (Bank of Ceylon, Maradana Branch)**. Please ensure that your NIC Number and relevant payment category (AD) were entered by the Banking Officer for future clarifications. The Bank Credit Slip (Green) should be attached with the application.
6. One (1) recent passport size colour photograph on good quality matt paper taken within the last 3 months.
7. A clear photocopy of National Identity Card
8. Complete the form SLMC/FDC-DA1 available on the website and upload it in the online portal along with relevant evidence as stipulated.

STEP THREE:

9. Candidates should apply online when applications are called and upload all required documents and then select an interview slot from those displayed as available dates. (Instructions are given in the online portal). The interview date will be confirmed by a SMS or email from the Sri Lanka Medical Council.

10. At the interview the degree holder (applicant) should personally hand over the application for approval of the Medical/Dental degree along with the required documents.

Without fulfilling the above requirements, the Medical/Dental degree of a candidate to sit the ERPM or ERPDS and thereafter to register and to practice as a Medical/Dental practitioner will not be approved by The Sri Lanka Medical Council.