## Master of Medical Sciences (Clinical) in Internal Medicine

The postgraduate training programme in Internal Medicine is designed for the trainees to acquire knowledge, skills and competency in Internal Medicine. The duration of training will be four years and can be up to a maximum of seven years. Upon satisfactory completion of each of the components stipulated in the programme, the trainees will be eligible to appear for the final examination.

## **Programme Description**

The programme is problem-centered and experience-based. Trainees carry out their duties and responsibilities under supervision. As the training progresses, the trainees will be given the task of incremental responsibility for patient care with a corresponding reduction in the level of supervision. Trainees are required to maintain log books and submit case reports. They should also conduct research and produce a dissertation prior to the final examination.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME**

- 1. To prepare trainees for Phase I, Phase II and Phase III examinations conducted in conjunction with National Internal Medicine Conjoint Board Examination.
- 2. To provide training programme that will produce compassionate, knowledgeable and technically competent medical specialists.
- 3. To offer an Islamic perspective as well as producing well-rounded and competent professionals with a good background in the art and science of medicine.
- 4. To prepare new specialists with comprehensive in-house education and training in all major specialties in Internal Medicine to enable them to function equipped with good education, strong ethical values as well as with great attitude.

## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The organizational structure of the programme is designed to produce candidates who are not only competent in performing the functions of general medicine, but are capable of pursuing further training in a sub-specialty of their interest.

The programme duration is four years aimed at progressively mastery of knowledge, skills and attitude. There will also be cumulative responsibilities as well as independence.



# **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).

- Applicants for the programme must fulfil the requirements listed below:-
- i) M.B.B.S/MD or other equivalent undergraduate medical qualifications from recognized institutions (local or overseas) by Malaysian Medical Council.
- ii) A minimum of 3 years clinical experience inclusive houseman-ship and
- d) Candidates must be registered with the Malaysia Medical Council (MMC) and has valid Annual Practicing Certificate.

#### • 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.

# University Core Course Kulliyyah Core Course

# Phase 1 - MIM (Internal Medicine)

Phase I

Trainees will be posted for 12 months in the general medical wards, Coronary Care Unit, Accident and Emergency Unit, Intensive Care Unit and High Dependency Ward under a designated supervisor. Part I Examination will be conducted at the end of the course and at least two intensive courses will be conducted before the examination.

## **Credit Hours: 1**

#### Phase II - MIM (Internal Medicine)

Phase II

Trainees must undergo a total of 8 rotations of 3 months each in the following medical subspecialties:

Cardiology
Endocrinology
Neurology
Nephrology
Gastroenterology
Respiratory
Rheumatology or Dermatology or Gerontology
Haemato-Oncology or Infectious Diseases

Part II Examination will be conducted at the end of phase II. The trainees need to complete four (4) case reports and prepare research proposal before being able to sit for the examination.

**Credit Hours: 2** 

# Phase III - MIM (Internal Medicine)

Phase III

Trainees will be posted for 6 months in general medicine and another 6 months in a subspecialty of interest. The trainees should acquire data for their research, analyzed and presented their findings in Part III examination. Trainees can either produce a complete dissertation or published a clinical paper in a recognized journal at the end of Phase III.

**Credit Hours:** 3