Criteria for Admission to the MBBS Programme (5207)

School of Medicine, College of Medical Sciences, University of Guyana

Admission Criteria

- **Criterion 1:** A first Degree pass with Credit as a minimum in a Science-based programme such as Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Sciences or Health Sciences.
- Criterion 2: Three (3) or more passes at the GCE "A" Level, or its equivalent, in Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Mathematics with a "C" as the minimum grade in at least two (2) subjects.
- **Criterion 3:** Three (3) or more passes in CAPE or its equivalent in Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Mathematics with grade III as the minimum grade in at least two (2) subjects.
- **Criterion 4:** First year passes in a Science-based programme such as Biology, Chemistry, Physics or Environmental Studies with grade "B" as the minimum grade in at least two (2) courses or an overall GPA of 3.0.
- **Criterion 5:** Second year passes in a Science-based programme such as Biology, Chemistry, Physics or Environmental Studies with "B" as the minimum grade in at least two (2) courses and an overall GPA of 3.0.
- **Criterion 6:** Second year passes of a Degree of Health (now Medical) Sciences programme such as Pharmacy or Medical Technology with an overall GPA of 3.0.
- **Criterion 7:** A Faculty of Health Sciences (now College of Medical Sciences) Diploma/Associate of Science Degree with a Pass with Credit in Medical Technology/Medical Laboratory Science, Environmental Health, Pharmacy or Radiography.
- **Criterion 8:** A Bachelor of Science (BSc.) Degree in Nursing from a recognized institution with a minimum Pass with Credit.
- **Criterion 9:** Any qualification considered by the University to be equivalent to any of the above.

Process of Selection of Applicants for Admission

- 1. Applicants are sorted into categories based on the 9 criteria for admission, with an additional category for applicants from underserved regions of Guyana (Regions 1, 7, 8, 9, and to a lesser extent 5 and 10).
- 2. Within each category, applicants are ranked from highest to lowest according to their GPAs or grades received at CAPE/GCE Advanced Levels.
- **3.** The applicants with the best performance are then selected from each category according to predetermined quotas.

This system ensures objective selection of the most qualified applicants from diverse backgrounds, and representation of underserved areas in the final cohort. It is important to note that meeting the entry requirements for the MBBS programme is not a guarantee of acceptance, as the number of applications usually far exceeds the number of spaces available. Meeting the entry requirements simply means that the applicant becomes eligible for consideration.

Admissions Committee

All decisions pertaining to applicant selection are made by an Admissions Committee comprised of the following University officers:

- **1.** Director, School of Medicine (Chair)
- 2. Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic Engagement
- **3.** Dean, College of Medical Sciences
- 4. Registrar

- 5. Assistant Registrar, Admissions
- 6. Pre-Clinical Coordinator
- 7. Clinical Coordinator
- 8. Administrative Officer, School of Medicine (in attendance)

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