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In exercise of the powers conferred by Chapter XXXVI of the First Statutes, 2013 of the Kerala University of Health Sciences, the Academic Council in its meeting held on 16-07-2022 vide item No.30.02 made the Course Regulations of MDS course conducted by Kerala University of Health Sciences. The Governing Council meeting held on 26-07-2022 has approved the same. The regulations were placed before the Senate at the meeting dated 04-03-2023.

It is hereby notified that the Course Regulations of MDS courses conducted by Kerala University of Health Sciences, as appended.

(Sd.)

Registrar.



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Short Title

These Regulations shall be called ‘**KUHS MDS Course Regulations 2022**’ and shall be binding on the course “Master of Dental Surgery” (abbreviated as MDS) under the following specialties affiliated to the Kerala University of Health Sciences unless otherwise mentioned herein. These regulations are applicable for all students admitted to MDS courses from the admission year 2022.

Specialties and Course Code:

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Definitions

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-

- (i) ‘KUHS’ or ‘University’ means the Kerala University of Health Sciences.
- (ii) ‘Act’, ‘Statutes’, ‘Ordinances’, and ‘Regulations’ means respectively the Act, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations of the Kerala University of Health Sciences.
- (iii) ‘Laws of the University’ means the Act, Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations and
- (iv) ‘College’ or ‘Institution’ means those which are conducting course(s) having affiliation with KUHS.



- (v) 'Registration' means registration in the Kerala University of Health Sciences as a student for undergoing courses mentioned under these Regulations.
- (vi) 'Faculty' means Faculty mentioned in Act, Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations of KUHS.
- (vii) 'Pass Board' means pass board mentioned in Examination Ordinances and Regulations.
- (viii) 'DCI' means Dental Council of India.
- (ix) 'Council' means Apex Regulatory or Statutory Council or Commission constituted by the Government of India.
- (x) 'Competent Authority' means an authority approved by Government of India / Government of Kerala /Regulatory Councils / Kerala University of Health Sciences.
- (xi) 'State' means the State of Kerala.
- (xii) 'MSR' means Minimum Standard Requirements for a course
- (xiii) 'Year' means an Academic Year, unless specified otherwise.

1.1 Eligibility for Admission

- a. Eligibility for admission shall be as per norms prescribed by DCI/ KUHS.
- b. A candidate for admission to the MDS course must have a degree of BDS (Bachelor of Dental Surgery) from the KUHS or from other Universities recognized by the DCI and permanent registration of the Kerala State Dental Council, and recognized equivalent there to by KUHS.
- c. The candidate shall be a citizen of India unless otherwise exempted.
- d. The candidate shall be medically fit for undergoing the course.

1.2 Mode of Selection to the Course

- a. The selection of students to MDS course shall be merit based, ensuring transparency and fairness. The process shall be as decided by the competent authority approved by the Government of India / Government of Kerala and / or KUHS.
- b. Cut off date of admission is as prescribed by DCI / KUHS.



1.3 Number of Seats

As decided by KUHS from time to time

1.4 Academic Requirements for Conduct of Course

Minimum Standard Requirements for offering the course in terms of land, infrastructure, equipment, clinical materials, teaching facility, faculty and other human resources etc. shall be as per the MSR of the Course prescribed by KUHS from time to time.

1.5 Registration of Students

- a. KUHS shall register / admit students, only to the courses and institutions affiliated and recognised by KUHS.
- b. Every College/ Institution shall complete the basic details entry of the admitted students in the University portal on or before the cut-off date prescribed by KUHS.
- c. Principal / Head of the Institution shall complete the student registration of each student in the University portal by entering the details required by the University therein.
- d. After completing the entries, the Principal / Head of the Institution shall download the consolidated report along with the student registration proforma of each student and forward the same to the University.
- e. Principal / Head of the Institution shall be responsible for the genuineness of contents entered in the student registration proforma and related statements uploaded in the University portal.
- f. A declaration in the prescribed format shall be uploaded by the Principal / Head of the Institution in the University portal. The hard copy of declaration in original and the copies of the documents prescribed by KUHS/Government or other competent authority with regards to registration of the students, shall be forwarded to the University along with the consolidated report.

1.6 Course Fees

As stipulated by the Government of Kerala/Authorised body / Kerala University of Health Sciences from time to time.

1.7 Syllabus and Medium of Instruction

Syllabus shall be prescribed by KUHS from time to time. Medium of instruction and examinations shall be in English.

1.8 Attendance and Course Period

- a. The duration of the MDS Course is 3 years.



- b. A candidate pursuing MDS course should work in the concerned department of the Institution for the full period as a resident. All the 365 days of the year are working days for the MDS students.
- c. The candidate will be permitted to avail casual leave for 20 days, but not more than 10 days at a stretch. Casual leave not availed in a year cannot be carried over to the next year.
- d. The candidates are eligible for a weekly-off of one day. If Sundays are holidays for the institution, no other weekly-offs are allowed.
- e. All public holidays are working days for the post graduate students. The students are not entitled to any seasonal holidays/study leave. Hence, for calculation of attendance percent, the effective number of working days in an academic year would be 313 days (365 days - 52 weekly off days).
- f. Each year shall be taken as a unit for the purpose of calculating attendance. There shall be a minimum of 80% attendance in each subject, (Theory and practical/clinical separately) is required for a candidate to be eligible for appearing in the University Examinations, if not otherwise specified by DCI. This mandatory requirement shall not be diluted under any circumstances, including maternity / medical leave.
- g. The candidate will also be eligible for leave supported by medical certificates (subject to verification by medical board) and other “leave under exceptional circumstances” recommended by the Head of Department and sanctioned by the Head of the Institution concerned subject to a maximum of 63 days including casual leaves (20% of 313 days) per year exclusive of Sundays / weekly offs. Any type of leave including maternity and medical leave and casual leaves taken during the MDS course will not be considered for calculating attendance for that calendar year (from date of joining to corresponding date of next year).
- h. CDEs, workshops and other academic programmes conducted by recognized academic bodies are essential aspects of PG training programme. All MDS students may be permitted to attend such programmes without affecting the routine working of the department concerned. The Heads of the Departments shall sanction duty leave to MDS students provided they apply before the CDE programme and the Head of the department is convinced about the genuineness of the programme and utility of the particular programme. There shall be a limit of 10 days for such duty leaves in a year.
- i. In case of unfulfilling the requirements for the course and / or shortage of attendance for appearing in the final examination, the candidate should satisfactorily fulfil the requirements and course will be extended for the deficit number of



1.9 Condonation of Shortage of Attendance

No condonation of shortage of attendance is granted for MDS courses.

1.10 Leave and Holidays

As per the clause 1.8 above.

1.11 Monitoring Learning Progress

It is essential to monitor the learning progress of each candidate through continuous appraisal and regular assessment. It not only helps the teachers to evaluate the students, but also gives an opportunity for the students to evaluate themselves. The monitoring shall be done by the staff of the department based on the participation of students in various teaching / learning activities. It may be structured and assessment be done using check lists that assess various aspects.

a. Work Diary/Logbook

Logbooks serve as a document of the trainee's work. The trainee shall maintain this Log book of the special procedures/operations observed/assisted/performed by him/her during the training period right from the point of entry and its authenticity shall be assessed weekly by the concerned Post Graduate Teacher/ Head of the Department. This shall be made available to the Board of Examiners for their perusal at the time of his / her appearing at the Final examination. The log book should record clinical cases seen and presented, procedures and tests performed, seminars, journal club and other presentations. Log book entries must be qualitative and not merely quantitative, focusing on learning points and recent advances in the area and must include short review of recent literature relevant to the entry. A work diary containing all the various treatment done by the candidate in the course of the study should also be maintained. The work diary shall be scrutinized and certified by both the guide/co-guide and Head of the Department and presented in the University practical/clinical examination.

b. Periodic Tests/Assessments

The concerned departments may conduct three tests, one at the end of the first year, and the other in the second year. The third test may be conducted three months before the final examination. Records and marks obtained in these tests will be maintained by the Head of the Department and the performance in these should decide on the candidate being eligible for the final examination.

1.12 Transfer During Course

As per the KUHS Academic General Regulations



1.13 Duration permitted for Completion of the Course

The course shall be of three years' duration. The time period permitted to complete the course shall be a maximum of six years from the date of admission except where otherwise specified by the DCI or as approved by the KUHS from time to time.

1.14 Internal Assessment [conducted by college]

Not applicable.

1.15 Examinations

As per the KUHS Examination Regulations / Ordinances and Syllabus of the Course.

a. Thesis / Dissertation

The process of submission of synopsis, conduct of the research, submission and evaluation of thesis/ dissertation/project shall be governed by the guidelines issued by the KUHS / DCI.

1.16 Criteria for Pass

a. To pass in the MDS examinations, a candidate shall secure 50% of the total marks (350 out of 700 marks), as mentioned below:

- i. 50% marks in MDS Part I Theory examination (50 marks out of 100)
- ii. 50% of total marks for MDS Part II Theory Examination (150 marks out of 300 marks, with a minimum of 40% per paper)
- iii. 50% marks in Practical examination plus viva voce together (150 marks out of 300 Marks)

b. It is mandatory for a candidate failing in any of the theory papers/practical/viva voce of the MDS Part II examination to appear for the whole examination (all three theory papers, practical and viva voce).

c. A candidate must pass the MDS Part I examination six months prior to registering for the MDS Part II Examination.

1.17 Grace Marks

No Grace Mark is awarded for MDS course.

1.18 Criteria for Promotion to Next Year

Students will be eligible for promotion to the next year of study after fulfilling the following requirements:

- a. Attendance requirements (365 days per academic year including 52 days weekly off and 20 days Casual leaves); any leave taken above this will have to be compensated by extension of the course in the corresponding academic year.



- b. Preclinical and clinical requirements as per the KUHS MDS Syllabus.
- c. Academic requirements as per the KUHS MDS Syllabus.
- d. The Principal shall promote eligible students on recommendation of the HOD

1.19 Carry Over Benefit:

Not applicable.

1.20 Issuance of Mark Lists and Certificates

- a. The mark list shall bear the date of publication of the results of the concerned examination and the passed candidate shall be deemed to have passed the examination on that date.
- b. Digitally signed Mark lists for each examination is downloadable from the website after the declaration of results.
- c. Consolidated Mark list shall be issued on request after payment of the required fee, once the candidate has been declared to have passed in all the examinations of the course. The consolidated mark list will have the name of examination in which the candidate has passed and the subject with the details of the marks secured.
- d. The Head of the Institution shall submit the certificate of completion of the training period to the University.
- e. The 'Provisional Degree Certificate' shall be issued after successful completion of the course, passing all the subjects and completing the training period.
- f. The Provisional Degree Certificate will be valid for a period of one year from the date of issue of the same or till the issue of Degree Certificate, whichever is earlier.
- g. The Degree Certificate shall be issued only after successful completion of course, passing all the examinations and completing the training period.

1.21 Declaration of Class (Regular /Supplementary)

The classification of the results shall be done based on total marks secured in the MDS Part I & Part II examination.

Below 50%	Failed
50% and above but less than 65%	Passed with Second Class
65% and above but less than 75%	Passed with First Class
75% and above	First Class with Distinction



1.22 Declaration of Rank

- a. Rank certificate for First, Second and Third rank holders in MDS courses are granted on payment of the fees. The total number of students appeared for the examination shall be specified in the rank certificate.
- b. Rank shall be awarded on the basis of aggregate marks of all the University regular examinations of the particular course from MDS Part I examination and MDS Part II examinations, except where it is mentioned otherwise in DCI regulations.
- c. A candidate who fails or does not appear for regular examination in any one of the subjects of a particular batch during the course, and who does not pass in the examinations during the minimum prescribed course duration shall not be eligible for the award of rank.

1.23 Attempt/Chance

If a student registers for an examination and fails to attend the examination, that appearance will not be considered as an attempt / chance. However, if the candidate appears for one or more of the papers, it will be considered as an attempt / chance.

1.24 Partial Appearance in Examinations

Partial appearance is not permitted.

1.25 Condonation of Break of Study

Condonation of Break of Study shall be permitted as per the condition stipulated in the norms of the University subject to the condition that the total time taken for to complete the course shall not exceed Six (6) years, that is double the duration of the course.

1.26 Internship

Not applicable

1.27 Transcript

Transcript shall be issued by the Kerala University of Health Sciences in the model format approved by the University.

1.28 Stipend

Stipend shall be as per the regulations of the respective Regulatory Councils/ Commission / State Government Orders or directions from time to time.

1.29 Eligibility for Award of Degree

- a. A candidate who passes all subjects of the course shall be eligible for the award of degree during the ensuing convocation.
- b. The Degree is awarded under the Faculty of Dental Sciences.



1.30 Saving Clause

- a. If these Course Regulations are silent on any particular aspect of this Course, the stipulations made in the Academic General Regulations of KUHS and / or that of DCI shall be applicable *mutatis mutandis*.
- b. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Regulations, the University shall have the right to modify the Regulations and shall have the right to implement them through a University Order until such amendments are Gazetted.

