MBBS/BDS Admissions

in Medical / Dental Colleges of the Punjab

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

Q.1 I have passed my HSSC examination. How can I get admission to a government medical/dental college in Punjab?

Ans: It's a two steps process: First, you will have to appear in the Medical Entrance Test of the Punjab; Second, if you secure 82 per cent or above aggregate score (adding the weightage of matriculation, HSSC and Entrance Test scores according to the formula of Pakistan Medical and Dental Council) then you will be eligible to apply for admission to a public sector medical/dental college in Punjab on open merit basis.

Q.2 What is the eligibility criterion for appearing in the Entrance Test?

Ans: A candidate must have passed Intermediate/HSSC /Equivalent examination from a Board/University with at least 60% marks (unadjusted). His subjects must include Biology and Chemistry. Those awaiting result of HSSC Part-II/Equivalent examination can also apply.

Q.3 Who conducts the Provincial Entrance Test and how many times in a year this test is arranged?

Ans: The University of Health Sciences (UHS) Lahore (www.uhs.edu.pk) conducts the Medical Entrance Test only once a year. A candidate has to appear in the test of the year in which he/she is applying for admissions. The result of Medical Entrance Test is valid for one year only. In other words, if a candidate wishes to apply for admission in the Session 2016-17, he/she must appear in the Entrance Test 2016.

Q.4 What is the pass percentage/marks of Entrance Test?

Ans: There is no pass/fail criterion for Entrance Test. the University declares the marks which a candidate secures in the test. He/she is not declared pass or fail.

Q.5 What is the format any syllabus of the test? How can I prepare for this Entrance Test?

Ans: Medical Entrance Test is a two and a half hours (150 minutes) paper based test that is offered once a year. It consists of a question paper containing 220 multiple-choice questions – four options with single best answer – divided in to four (04) sections, namely:

(i)	Physics	–	(44 MCQs)
(ii)	Chemistry	–	(58 MCQs)
(iii)	English (General)	–	(30 MCQs)
(iv)	Biology	–	(88 MCQs)

The syllabus of the test is a "Common Core Syllabus" approved by the Government of the Punjab and is available on UHS website (www.uhs.edu.pk). You can prepare for the test with the help of this syllabus from your text books of Intermediate/equivalent level.

Q.6 Is there any negative marking in the test?

Ans: Yes, there is negative marking in the test. For each correct answer, five (05) marks will be awarded and for each incorrect answer one (01) mark will be deducted from the total score. No mark will be deducted on not attempting a question. Total marks of the test are 1100.

Q.7 How can I register for the test? Is online registration available?

Ans: From year 2016, the registration for Medical Entrance Test shall be carried out through designated branches of a commercial bank. The procedure and fee details will be uploaded on the website soon. It will also be advertised in major newspapers. Online registration for the Entrance Test will not be available. However, a relative or friend of the candidate can submit his/her application on his/her behalf.

Q.8 Where the test is offered?

Ans: The test is arranged in 13 major cities of the Punjab where multiple centres are set up. The cities are:

(A) Southern Punjab

Bahawalpur , Multan, Rahim Yar Khan and D.G. Khan

(B) Central Punjab

Lahore, Faisalabad, Sahiwal, Gujrat, Gujranwala, Sargodha and Sialkot.

(C) Northern Punjab

Rawalpindi and Hasanabdal

Q.9 Is the Medical Entrance Test conducted by UHS is also mandatory for admission to private sector medical/dental colleges?

Ans: Yes, it is also mandatory for admission to private sector medical/dental colleges.

Q.10 Who can appear in the Entrance Test of the Punjab?

Ans: The candidate having domicile of any district of Punjab and Islamabad (ICT) can appear in the Entrance Test of the Punjab.

Students of Gilgit-Baltistan will also appear in the Entrance Test of the Punjab for

admission against seats reserved for them in government medical/dental colleges of the Punjab.

Foreign nationals/Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality holders of Pakistani origin will also appear in the Entrance Test of the Punjab for admission against seats reserved for them in government medical/dental colleges. However, they are exempted from Entrance Test provided they have passed SAT II (SAT Subject) in Chemistry, Biology and Physics/Mathematics with a minimum of 550/800 marks in each or have secured attest 24 score in American MCAT ®.

Q.11 I have domicile of Balochistan/KPK. Should I sit Entrance Test of Punjab for admission to public/private medical/dental colleges of the Punjab?

Ans: No, you should appear in the Entrance Test of your respective province for admission against reserved seats in Punjab.

Q.12 I am a State-Subject of Azad Jammu and Kashmir. But I have a domicile of a district of Punjab. Kindly tell me that:

(i) Which test should I take for admission to reserved seat of AJK in public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab?

(ii) Which Entrance Test should I take for admission to merit seats in medical colleges of AJK?

Ans: In both the cases, you should appear in the State Entrance Test arrnaged by the Government of AJK. However, if you wish to take admission on open merit basis in any medical/dental college of the Punjab, you will have to appear in the Entrance Test of the Punjab on the basis of your Punjab domicile. In any case, you will avail only one seat.

Q.13 How many times I can appear in the Entrance Test? I heard that I can only avail three chances?

Ans: There is no restriction whatsoever on the number of times a candidate may appear in the Entrance Test except for those who have been debarred from appearing in the test on resorting to any unfair/fraudulent means.

Q.14 I have done A-level/12th Grade/International Baccalaureate, etc., from a foreign university. Is may certificate/diploma is acceptable for admissions as such or do I need an equivalence of some sort?

Ans: Your international/foreign certificates or diplomas are not acceptable as such for admission purposes in Pakistan. There is a government organization named

"Inter-Board Committee of Chairman (IBCC)" that equates foreign qualifications and issues certificates which are acceptable for admissions. Candidates having foreign qualifications are advised to contact IBCC for equivalence of their qualifications before they apply for admissions. They can contact IBCC at the following address:

Inter Board Committee of Chairman,
Plot No.25, Street No.38, G-10/4
Near Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF),
Islamabad.
Ph: 051-9330251-4, Website: www.ibcc.edu.pk

Q.15 I have studied Mathematics/Psychology instead of Physics in A-level/12th Grade alongwith Biology and Chemistry. The IBCC has issued me a certificate of "Humanities" group instead of "Pre-Medical" group. Is it acceptable for admission to medical/dental institutions of the Punjab?

Ans: Yes, it is acceptable for admission purposes. According to the regulations of Pakistan Medical and Dental Council, a candidate must have read Biology and Chemistry in his HSSC/equivalent examination to be eligible to apply for admission to medical/dental institutions. You can take any science as third subject.

Q.16 The IBCC is not issuing me equivalence certificate for any reason. Can you accept my certificate/diploma as such for admission purposes?

Ans: No, we cannot accept your foreign qualifications as such without equivalence certificate issued by the IBCC. You must settle your issues with IBCC before you apply for admission.

Q.17 How many colleges/institutes an there in public sector which offer MBBA and BDS?

Ans: The following 17 government colleges offer 5-Year degree in MBBS:

1. Allama Iqbal Medical College, Lahore
2. Ameer-ud-Din Medical College, Lahore
3. Fatima Jinnah Medical University, Lahore
4. Ghazi Khan Medical College, Dera Ghazi Khan
5. Gujranwala Medical College, Gujranwala
6. Khawaja Muhammad Safdar College, Sialkot
7. King Edward Medical University, Lahore
8. Nawaz Sharif Medical College, University of Gujrat
9. Nishtar Medical College, Multan
10. Punjab Medical College, Faisalabad
11. Quaid-e-Azam Medical College, Bahawalpur
12. Rawalpindi Medical College, Rawalpindi
13. Sahiwal Medical College, Sahiwal
14. Sargodha Medical College, University of Sargodha
15. Services Institute of Medical Sciences, Lahore

16. Shaikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Medical & Dental College, Lahore
17. Sheikh Zayed Medical College, Rahim Yar Khan.

The following 03 public institutes offer 4-Year BDS programme:

1. de'Montmorency College of Dentistry, Lahore
2. Nishtar Institute of Dentistry, Multan
3. Dental Section Punjab Medical College, Faisalabad

Q.18 Shall I have to apply separately for admission to these colleges? What is the system of admissions?

Ans: There is a centralized system of admissions for government medical/dental colleges of the Punjab. The University of Health Sciences (UHS), Lahore, conducts a centralized Entrance Test and then receives applications for admissions. The university selects the candidates and places them in different medical/dental colleges on the basis of their merit and choice. The candidates give their options/preference for various colleges on one single admission form. They are not required to apply separately for each government medical/dental college.

Q.19 What is the number of Open Merit MBBS and BDS seats? Kindly give their distribution in various institutions.

Ans:

College	Programme	No. of Open Merit Seats
King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore	MBBS	302
Allama Iqbal Medical College (AIMC), Lahore	MBBS	301
Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan	MBBS	280
Fatima Jinnah Medical University (FJMU), Lahore	MBBS	206
Services Institute of Medical Sciences (SIMS), Lahore	MBBS	191
Punjab Medical College, (PMC) Faisalabad	MBBS	287
Rawalpindi Medical College (RMC), Rawalpindi	MBBS	297
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College (QAMC), Bahawalpur	MBBS	273
Sheikh Zayed Medical College (SZMC), Rahim Yar Khan	MBBS	126
Sargodha Medical College (SMC), Sargodha	MBBS	79
Nawaz Sharif Medical College (NSMC), Gujrat	MBBS	90
Sahiwal Medical College (SLMC), Sahiwal	MBBS	100
Gujranwala Medical College (GMC), Gujranwala	MBBS	100
Ghazi Khan Medical College (GKMC), D.G.Khan	MBBS	100
Khawaja Muhammad Safdar Medical College (KMSMC), Sialkot	MBBS	100
Ameer-ud-Din Medical College (AMC), Lahore	MBBS	100
Shaikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Medical & Dental College (SKZMDC), Lahore	MBBS	90
de'Montmorency College of Dentistry (DCD), Lahore	BDS	71
Nishtar Institute of Dentistry (NID), Multan	BDS	54
Dental Section Punjab Medical College (DSPMC), Faisalabad	BDS	50

Q.20 What types of seats are available in public sector medical/dental colleges of Punjab?

Ans: The following categories of seats are available in medical/dental colleges of the Punjab:

(A) Open merit (B) Reserved Seats.

Reserved seats are further divided into following categories:

(i) Disabled Students
(ii) Underdeveloped Districts including Cholistan
(iii) FATA
(iv) Azad Jammu & Kashmir
(v) Gilgit-Baltistan (Northern Areas)
(vi) Foreign Students under Pakistan Technical Assistance Programme
(vii) Children of Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality Holders of Pakistani Origin
(viii) Reciprocal (Inter-Provincial) seats
(ix) Goodwill seats for Balochistan

Q.21 How many seats are available for disabled students in medical/dental colleges? What is the criterion for admission against these seats?

Ans: There are 20 seats (19 MBBS + 01 BDS) for disabled students in medical/dental colleges of the Punjab. The distribution is as follows:

College	Seats for the Disabled
King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore	02
Allama Iqbal Medical College (AIMC), Lahore	02
Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan	02
Fatima Jinnah Medical University (FJMU), Lahore	02
Services Institute of Medical Sciences (SIMS), Lahore	02
Punjab Medical College, (PMC) Faisalabad	02
Rawalpindi Medical College (RMC), Rawalpindi	02
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College (QAMC), Bahawalpur	02
Sheikh Zayed Medical College (SZMC), Rahim Yar Khan	02
Sargodha Medical College (SMC), Sargodha	01
de'Montmorency College of Dentistry (DCD), Lahore	01

The criteria for admission against these seats is as follows:

a. The admission against these seats shall be carried out strictly on merit from amongst the Punjab-domiciled candidates who apply for these seats and who have already appeared in the Entrance Test for the session and passed HSSC/F.Sc. (Pre-Medical) or equivalent examination with a minimum of 60%(660/1100) marks.
b. The candidate shall have to attach a certificate from a government certified specialist about the nature of his/her disability. Such certificate, however, will only make him/her eligible to apply against the reserved seats.
c. A Medical Board constituted by the Chairman Admission Board will make final decision about the eligibility of the candidate for admission against the reserved seats.
d. The Medical Board shall consist of following committees each comprising 3 to 5 experts in the relevant filed:
    i. Physical Disability Committee
    ii. Visual Disability Committee
    iii. Hearing Disability Committee

f. Disability for the purpose of admission to medical and dental institutions is defined as **a physical impairment that has a substantial and permanent, adverse effect on candidate's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities and puts him/her at disadvantage as compared to a normal person for acquiring education before entering a medical or dental institution. Here:**

- 'substantial' means neither minor nor trivial
- 'permanent' means that the effect of the impairment is likely to last for the rest of the person's life
- 'normal day-to-day activities' include mobility, manual dexterity, speech, hearing, seeing**, understanding danger, and memory.**

g. The threshold of disability will be judged by the Medical Board, according to a structured criterion.

h. The Merit List of disabled candidates shall be finalized on the basis of *inter se* merit.

i. The decision of the Medical Board shall be final.

Q.22 How many underdeveloped districts seats are available in public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab? What is the criteria for admission against these seats?

Ans:

Sr. No.	District	NMC	QAMC	PMC	SZMC	DCD	NID	Total	
								MBBS	BDS
1.	D.G. Khan	6 (03 for tribal area)	1	-	4 (02 for tribal area)	1	1 (for tribal area)	11	2
2.	Muzzafargarh	4	1	-	3	1	1	8	2
3.	Rajanpur	4 (02 for tribal area)	1	-	2 (1 for tribal area)	1	1 (for tribal area)	7	2
4.	Lodhran	4	1	-	2	1	1	7	2
5.	Bhakkar	-	1	5	2	1	1	8	2
6.	Layyah	-	1	5	2	1	1	8	2
Total		**18**	**6**	**10**	**15**	**6**	**6**	**49**	**12**
Grand Total								**61**	

1. The candidate must have a domicile of the same District Area.
2. The candidate must have studied, from class one to twelve, from the same district. He/she shall have to submit original certificates from Head Masters/ Principals of the concerned institutions where he/she has studied from class one to twelve. These certificates should be duly verified by the concerned EDO (Education) and DEO (Colleges), and countersigned by the District Co-ordination Officer (DCO) of the same district.
3. Candidates belonging to those tribal areas where there are no high schools

or colleges available or the facility for teaching science subjects does not exist, they must have obtained their education from Class-1 to Class-12 from the district in which their respective tribal area falls and have passed their SSC and HSSC examinations from the relevant Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education.

4. The candidates from these areas can also apply against open merit seats. These reserved seats will be in addition to any number of candidates being admitted on open merit from these districts. The candidates from each of the above six districts, admitted or not admitted on open merit, can compete within their districts for reserved seats.

5. The merit list of candidates of under-developed districts will be displayed on district basis after ascertaining merit from amongst the candidates of the specific district subject to fulfillment of all other requirements and after verification of their documents from the concerned authorities.

6. The candidates eligible for admission against both open merit as well as reserved seats can avail only one seat. The Admission Board will allocate a seat to such a candidate purely on merit in a college of his/her choice listed higher as per his/her order of preference in his/her admission form. For example, if a candidate is being admitted, according to his/her order of preference, in college number 10 on Open Merit, and in college number 8 on Under-Developed Districts' Seats, his admission will be finalized in the latter category. No application against the decision of the Admission Board shall be entertained afterwards.

7. Students admitted against these reserved seats from under-developed districts will be required to submit a Surety Bond on stamp paper (Annex-II of the Prospectus), duly attested for amount of Rs.500, 000/- and with an undertaking that he/she shall serve in his/her district of domicile for at least five years or in default thereof pay Rs. Five Lac in lump sum to the Government of the Punjab.

Q.23 How many seats are reserved for FATA students in Punjab? What is the procedure for admission?

Ans: There are 17 seats reserved for the students of FATA in Punjab. The distribution is as follows:

College	No. of Seats
King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore	01
Allama Iqbal Medical College (AIMC), Lahore	01
Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan	01
Fatima Jinnah Medical University (FJMU), Lahore	08
Punjab Medical College, (PMC) Faisalabad	01
Rawalpindi Medical College (RMC), Rawalpindi	01
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College (QAMC), Bahawalpur	01
de'Montmorency College of Dentistry (DCD), Lahore	01
Nishtar Institute of Dentistry (NID), Multan	02
Total	**17**

The admission against these seats will be made by the Ministry of States and Frontier Regions (SAFRON) through Khyber Medical College, Peshawar. The candidates will be required to appear in the Entrance Test of KPK. A Joint Admission Committee will select the candidates on merit and the nomination for admission shall be made by a Nominating Agency of SAFRON.

FATA candidates are advised to contact Khyber Medical College, Peshawar for admission against reserved seats in Punjab. For further information they can visit www.safron.gov.pk.

Q.24 How many seats for the students of Azad Jammu & Kashmir are reserved in public sector medical and dental colleges of the Punjab? What is the criteria for admission against these seats?

Ans: There are a total of 49 seats (46 MBBS + 03 BDS) reserved for students of Azad Jammu & Kashmir in Punjab. The distribution is as follows:

College	No. of Seats
King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore	01
Allama Iqbal Medical College (AIMC), Lahore	01
Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan	04
Fatima Jinnah Medical University (FJMU), Lahore	23
Services Institute of Medical Sciences (SIMS), Lahore	02
Punjab Medical College, (PMC) Faisalabad	04
Rawalpindi Medical College (RMC), Rawalpindi	05
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College (QAMC), Bahawalpur	04
Sheikh Zayed Medical College (SZMC), Rahim Yar Khan	02
de'Montmorency College of Dentistry (DCD), Lahore	03
Total	**49**

For admission against these seats the candidate must have the domicile of any district of AJK or be a refugee of Jammu & Kashmir having State Subject Certificate. Such a candidate will appear in the State Entrance Test arrange by the Government of Azad Jammu & Kashmir. The candidate will apply to Joint Admission Committee of AJK for nomination against reserved seats in Punjab.

For further information, they may contact:

Chairman Joint Admission Committee
Ph: 05822-920527, 05827-920453
E-mail: jac.ajk@hotmail.com

Q.25 What is the procedure of admission against reserved seats of Gilgit-Baltistan (Northern Areas)? How many seats are reserved for then in Punjab?

Ans: The candidate having domicile of Gilgit-Baltistan (Northern Areas) can apply against these seats. These candidates are required to appear in the Entrance Test of the Punjab. For nomination, the candidate shall apply to the Directorate of Education, Gilgit-Baltistan.

There are 64 seats reserved for Gilgit-Baltistan in public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab. The distribution is as follows:

College	Number of Seats
King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore	08
Allama Iqbal Medical College (AIMC), Lahore	08
Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan	01
Fatima Jinnah Medical University (FJMU), Lahore	08
Services Institute of Medical Sciences (SIMS), Lahore	03
Punjab Medical College, (PMC) Faisalabad	02
Rawalpindi Medical College (RMC), Rawalpindi	09
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College (QAMC), Bahawalpur	18
Sheikh Zayed Medical College (SZMC), Rahim Yar Khan	02
de'Montmorency College of Dentistry (DCD), Lahore	03
Nishtar Institute of Dentistry (NID), Multan	02
Total	**64**

Q.26 How can foreign students get admission to public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab? What is there fee structure?

Ans: Foreign students can apply against 85 seats (72 MBBS + 13 BDS) reserved for them in public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab under Pakistan Technical Assistance Programme (PTAP). The fee structure of students admitted on these seats is same as local students.

The criteria and procedure of admission is as follows:

1. Foreign students and students of Pakistani-origin having dual nationality can apply against these seats if:

   i. The applicant and his/her parents hold a permanent foreign nationality (dual-nationality for Pakistani-origin applicants).In case of students from friendly countries, parents' nationality evidence is not required.

   ii. The applicant has physically studied and passed HSSC/12th grade examination from outside Pakistan during his/her stay abroad, having a certificate from the institution last attended.

   iii. The applicant has scored minimum of **60% marks** in HSSC/ 12th grade examination.

iv. **The applicant has either appeared in the Entrance Test of the Punjab *OR* passed SAT-II examination with a minimum score of 550 in each subject i.e., Biology, Chemistry and Physics/Mathematics *OR* passed American MCAT with minimum aggregate score of 24. The validity period of SAT II/MCAT scores shall be two years for the purpose of admission.**

v. **The applicant has valid TOEFL or IELTS with a score of 500 or 5.5 respectively in case he/she has obtained his/her required qualifications from those institutions where the medium of instruction for these qualifications is not English** (An alternate to TOEFL and IELTS is a certification by NUML Islamabad after one year English language course).

2. The applicants seeking admission to medical/dental institutions of the Punjab under this category should submit their applications through their own governments/embassies to the Government of Pakistan (Economic Affairs Division, Islamabad) which will make necessary selection and allocation on the basis of Merit/Choice/ Availability.

3. The nominations against these seats, shall be communicated to the Health Department, Government of the Punjab, and Chairman Admission Board, by Economic Affairs Division, Islamabad, for onwards transmission to the concerned institutions.

4. **Applications submitted directly to the Chairman Admission Board or to the Government of the Punjab, shall not be entertained.**

For further information:

Section Officer(PTAP/CP/FS)
Tele: +92-51- 9201868
Economic Affairs Division,
Room No.505, Block "C",
Pakistan Secretariat, Islamabad.
Fax: +92-51-9211822, Website: www.ead.gov.pk

The distribution of these seats is as follows:

College	Number of Seats
King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore	05
Allama Iqbal Medical College (AIMC), Lahore	05
Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan	10
Fatima Jinnah Medical University (FJMU), Lahore	21
Punjab Medical College, (PMC) Faisalabad	10
Rawalpindi Medical College (RMC), Rawalpindi	10

Quaid-e-Azam Medical College (QAMC), Bahawalpur	11
de'Montmorency College of Dentistry (DCD), Lahore	13
Total	**85**

Q.27 Are them any seats reserved for the Children Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality holders of Pakistan Origin? What is the criterion for admissions against these seats?

Ans: (a) The Government of the Punjab, vide Notification No: S.O.(ME)9-4/2015, dated 10th August, 2015, has converted **76** Foreign Self-Finance Seats (72 MBBS and 04 BDS) already earmarked in public sector medical and dental colleges of the Punjab, into Open Merit Seats for the Children of Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality Holders of Pakistani Origin with effect from the Session 2015-16.

(b) The selection against these 76 reserved seats shall now be made by the Admission Board for Government Medical/Dental Colleges of the Punjab through University of Health Sciences (UHS) Lahore.

(c) The distribution of these seats shall be as follows:

Sr. No.	College	MBBS	BDS
1.	King Edward Medical College Lahore	04	-
2.	Allama Iqbal Medical College Lahore	04	-
3.	Nishtar Medical College Multan	04	-
4.	Fatima Jinnah Medical University Lahore	04	-
5.	Punjab Medical College Faisalabad	04	-
6.	Rawalpindi Medical College Rawalpindi	04	-
7.	Quaid-e-Azam Medical College Bahawalpur	04	-
8.	Services Institute of Medical Sciences, Lahore	02	-
9.	Shaikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Medical, Lahore	10	-
10.	Nawaz Sharif Medical College Gujrat	10	-
11.	Shaikh Zayed Medical College, Rahim Yar Khan	02	-
12.	Sargodha Medical College, Sargodha	20	-
13.	de'Montmorency College of Dentistry Lahore	-	02
14.	Nishtar Institute of Dentistry, Multan	-	02
Total		**72**	**04**
Grand Total		**76**	

(d) The fee structure for these 76 reserved seats shall be the same as that for Open Merit Seats for local students. The detail is available in the Prospectus of the current session.

(e) **<u>Eligibility Criteria for Children of Overseas Pakistanis:</u>**

(i) **"Overseas Pakistani"** is defined as any person holding a Pakistani Passport/ NIC/ NICOP/ POC or any other official document providing

his/her Nationality and is stationed abroad.

(ii) The candidate and/or his/her parents (real father and/or mother) have valid Residence Permit/*Iqama* of a foreign country duly verified by the Embassy of Pakistan concerned.

(iii) The candidate and/or his/her parents (real father and/or mother) have valid Domicile of any district of Punjab.

(iv) The Parents (real father and/or mother) have valid Overseas Pakistanis Foundation (OPF) membership.

(v) Parents (real father and/or mother) should have not less than 05 years of continuous stay back from the date of submission of application, in a foreign country as verified by concerned Embassy of Pakistan. If they have resided in more than one foreign country during last five years, they shall provide the certificates from all relevant Embassies of Pakistan.

(vi) The candidate has passed HSSC (Pre-Medical)/ equivalent examination with minimum of 60 per cent marks either from abroad or Pakistan. The subjects in HSSC/equivalent examination must include Biology and Chemistry.

(vii) The candidate has either appeared in the Entrance Test of the Punjab for the current session or has appeared in SAT II examination scoring a minimum of 550/800 marks each in Chemistry, Biology and Physics/Mathematics or has cleared MCAT® of United States with an aggregate score of 24 and above. The scores of Entrance Test of Punjab are valid for one year, that is, for current session only whereas the validity of SAT II and MCAT® scores is two years. ***(Note: For admission against local Open Merit seats appearance in Entrance Test of Punjab is mandatory).***

(f) **Eligibility Criteria for Children of Dual Nationality Holders of Pakistani Origin:**

(i) **"Dual Nationality Holder"** means a Pakistani citizen holding both Pakistani and Foreign citizenship/nationality with proof of such citizenship/nationality.

(ii) The candidate and/or his/her parents (real father and/or mother) have dual nationality.

(iii) The candidate and/or his/her parents (real father and/or mother) have valid Domicile of any district of Punjab.

(iv) The candidate has passed HSSC (Pre-Medical)/ equivalent examination with minimum of 60 per cent marks either from abroad or Pakistan. The subjects in HSSC/equivalent examination must include Biology and Chemistry.

(v) The candidate has either appeared in the Entrance Test of the Punjab for the current session or has appeared in SAT II examination scoring a minimum of 550/800 marks each in Chemistry, Biology and Physics/Mathematics or has cleared MCAT® of United States with an aggregate score of 24 and above. The scores of Entrance Test of Punjab are valid for one year that is for current session only whereas the validity of SAT II and MCAT® scores is two years. ***(Note: For admission against local Open Merit seats appearance in Entrance Test of Punjab is mandatory).***

Q.28 I have domicile of Balochistan/KPK/Sindh. How can I apply for admission in MBBS/BDS in Punjab?

Ans: **For Balochistan**

For candidate having domicile of Balochistan can apply or admission against 27 MBBS seats (20 goodwill + 04 reciprocal + 02 federal quota for girls in FJMU + 01 federal quota for girls of PATA, Balochistan in FJMU), reserved in medical colleges of Punjab.

The candidates have to appear in the Entrance Test of Balochistan and are required to apply at Bolan Medical College Quetta for nomination.

For KPK

For KPK students, there are 08 MBBS seats (one on reciprocal basis + 05 federal quota for girls in FJMU + 02 federal quota for girls of PATA, KPK in FJMU) reserved in the medical colleges of Punjab. The candidates are required to appear in the entrance test of KPK and apply at Khyber Medical College Peshawar for nomination.

For Sindh

There are 09 MBBS seats reserved for female students of Sindh in FJMU, Lahore under Federal quota.

The seats are distribution to different institutions of Sindh as follows:

Institutes	Seats
Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi	02
Liaquat University of Medical & Health Sciences, Jamshoro	02
Jinnah Sindh Medical University, Karachi	02
Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Medical University, Larkana	02
Ghulam Muhammad Mehar Medical College, Sukkur	01
Total	**09**

The candidates should apply at their respective university after passing the respective entrance test of Sindh.

Q.29 Are then any seats reserved in other provinces for Punjab domiciled candidates? What is the procedure for applying against these seats?

Ans: There are 14 MBBS seats reserved in the medical colleges of Bolochistan, KPK and Azad Jammu & Kashmir for Punjab domiciled candidates. The distribution is as follows:

College	Seats
Bolan Medical College, Quetta,	04
Khyber Medical University, Peshawar	01
Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Shaheed Medical College, Mirpur, AJ&K	03
Azad Jammu Kashmir Medical College, Muzaffarabad, AJ&K	03
Poonch Medical College, Rawlakot, AJ&K	03
Total	**14**

The candidates who are eligible to apply on Open Merit seats in Medical/Dental Colleges of the Punjab can also opt for admission on these reciprocal seats. Separate applications are not required for these seats. These seats are offered like open merit seats.

Q.30 I have heard that then are seats reserved for daughters of Federal Government employees in FJMU, Lahore? Kindly tell me the procedure to apply against these seats?

Ans: Yes, there are seven (07) MBBS seats reserved for the real daughters of federal government serving civil servants (four for BS-1 to BS-15 and three for BS-16 and above) in FJMU, Lahore.

The female candidates desirous of admission against these seats are required to apply at the Cabinet Division, Islamabad. They are also required to pass an entrance test arranged by the Division through NTS. For details visit www.cabinet.gov.pk or call at 051-9051607

Q.31 After the Entrance Test, how should I apply for admission on Open Merit basis?

Ans: (i) After the declaration of official result of the Entrance Test, the admission process for public sector medical and dental colleges will start as per notified schedule.

(ii) The merit shall be worked out as per the regulations of Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC), and shall be based on the aggregate percentage of the candidates worked out by adding the marks in the following ratio:

Matriculation (SSC or Equivalent)	–	10%
HSSC/F.Sc (Premedical or Equivalent)	–	40%
Entrance Test	–	50%

(iii) The Formula for calculation of merit is as follows:

Marks obtained in SSC /Equivalent x 1100 x 0.10 = 10% of SSC/Equiva
Total marks of SSC/Equivalent

Marks obtained in HSSC /Equivalent x 1100 x 0.40 = 40% of HSSC/Equ
Total marks of HSSC/Equivalent

Marks obtained in Entrance Test /SAT II/MCAT x 1100 x 0.50 = 50% of A
Test
Total marks of Entrance Test /SAT II/MCAT

10% SSC/Equivalent + 40% HSSC/Equivalent +50% Admission Test = A
Marks

Aggregate Marks x 100 = Aggregate Percentage
1100

Example 1 :

Marks obtained in Matriculation	=	992 / 1050
Marks obtained in HSSC/FSc	=	980 / 1100
Marks obtained in Entrance Test	=	970 / 1100

By applying the aforementioned formula:

992 / 1050 x 1100 x 0.10	= 103.92
980/1100 x 1100 x 0.40	= 392
970/1100 x 1100 x 0.50	= 485

Aggregate Marks = 103.92 + 392 + 485 = 980.92

Aggregate Percentage = 980.92 / 1100 x 100 = **89.1745**

Example 2 :

Equivalence of O-Level	= 812/900
Equivalence of A-Level	= 925/1100
SAT II Score	= 2100/2400
812/900 x 1100 x 0.10	= 99.24
925/1100 x 1100 x 0.40	= 370
2100/2400 x 1100 x0.50	= 481.25
Aggregate Marks	= 99.24 + 370 + 481.25 = 950.49
Aggregate Percentage	**= 950.49/1100 x 100 = 86.4081**

(iv) Final calculation in percentage will be rounded up to four decimal points.

(v) No marks will be deducted for extra attempts availed in HSSC/FSc examination by the candidate beyond the period two years after passing the SSC/ Matriculation annual examination.

(vi) Only those candidates having domicile of any district of the Punjab and Federal Capital Area (Islamabad) who will score **82% per cent or above aggregate marks (excluding Hifz-e-Quran marks) as per PMDC formula**, shall be eligible to apply for admission against **Open Merit Seats** in public sector medical/dental institutions of the Punjab and **Reciprocal Seats** in public sector colleges of KPK, Balochistan and AJK.

(vii) The Admission Form and the Prospectus shall be available from University of Health Sciences Lahore, Nishtar Medical College (NMC), Multan, and Rawalpindi Medical College(RMC), Rawalpindi, absolutely free of cost.

(viii) No call letters will be issued to the eligible candidates for submission of admission forms.

(ix) No Admission Form will be accepted after the due date for submission of forms.

(x) The condition of '82% per cent or above aggregate marks' is not applicable on candidates seeking admission against any category of reserved seats (except Reciprocal Seats for Punjab domiciled applicants). These candidates, if they meet minimum eligibility criteria as stipulated in the prospectus, shall apply as per notified schedule.

(xi) The candidates can apply for admission against more than one category of seats if he/she fulfils the eligibility requirements. In such case, he/she will have to tick (✓) the relevant categories on the admission form and attach the required documents.

Q.32 How I am supposed to give my preference for medical and dental colleges? Shall I have to submit separate forms for MBBS and BDS?

Ans: (i) When filling out the application, every applicant has to rank the medical and dental colleges in order of preference, starting with his/her first choice. In other words, all eligible candidates are allowed to list up the full names of medical and dental colleges in the order that they would like to be considered for admission.

(ii) **The order of preferences once given shall be final and cannot be changed subsequently. This condition is mandatory and neither any subsequent change is entertainable nor any exceptions will be made.**

(iii) Starting with the first preference, applicants will be assessed and ranked according to the merit for each college. A computerized matching process will allocate applicants meeting the minimum merit requirements a place to the highest listed preference for which they are eligible.

(iv) Once offered a place to the highest listed preference, an applicant cannot demand admission to a college named lower in his/her preferred list.

(v) **An applicant, under no circumstances, shall be considered for a college, he/she has not named in his/her order of preferences. The Admitting Authority shall not assign a college by itself if the alternate choices are not indicated.**

(vi) Applicants are advised not to name their preferred college repeatedly in every space on the Admission Form. Similarly, it is also pointless to name only one college. In either case, the applicant will receive a single place on the list for that college and it will not increase the chances of his/her being allocated a seat in that particular college.

(vii) Only those candidates applying for admission against Open Merit seats can opt for all the public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab. Those applying for admission against any category of reserved seats only (and not for Open Merit seats) can opt for only those colleges where these reserved seats are available.

(viii) There is no need to submit separate admission forms for MBBS and BDS programmes. A candidate can only submit one form.

(ix) **A candidate can submit only one admission form. In case, he/she submits more than one form, the form(s) submitted subsequently will be rejected.**

(x) **Incomplete or unsigned Admission Forms will be rejected.**

Q.33 Are there any seats reserved for Huffaz-e-Quran?

Ans: No, there are no separate seats reserved for Huffaz-e-Quran. However, a Muslim Hafiz-e-Quran is give a benefit of 20 marks if he/she pass a test conducted by the Admission Board. The procedure is as follows:

(i) Twenty (20) marks will be added to HSSC/FSc or equivalent marks of a Muslim Hafiz-e-Quran subject to the verification of the same by a Committee comprising eminent Huffaz-e-Quran, constituted by the Chairman Admission Board.

(ii) The Committee will conduct a structured test of the candidates who claim to be Huffaz-e-Quran.

(iii) To appear in the test, those claimants who have an aggregate score of 82% per cent or above marks, will have to get themselves registered for the test at the University as per given schedule.

(iv) Hifz-e-Quran certificate alone issued by any Madrassa is **NOT** acceptable for the award of twenty (20) marks.

(v) **Hundred percent (100%) proficiency** in Hifz is required at the time of test by the candidate to attract the benefit of twenty (20) marks.

(vi) As these Twenty (20) marks are to be added in FSc marks, therefore, the merit will be calculated by adding **40 per cent of Hifz-e-Quran marks (i.e., 08 marks)** in the previous aggregate score of the successful candidate.

(vii) The decision of the Committee shall be final in this regard.

Q.34 What are the documents required to be submitted with the Admission Form?

Ans: Candidates must attach the following documents with the Admission Form. Except otherwise mentioned, the documents attached with the Admission Form must be attested by a Government Officer in BS 17 or above. The stamp of the officer must

bear his / her full designation and current place of duty:

a) *Three (03) attested copies of Matriculation (SSC) Certificate or result card issued by a Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education in Pakistan. Computer generated result cards will not be acceptable. Candidate having foreign qualifications (O-Level, 10th Grade and equivalent) must provide the attested copies of Equivalence Certificate issued by IBCC. A valid Interim or Provisional equivalence certificate issued by IBCC will also be acceptable.*

b) *Three (03) attested copies of HSSC Pre-Medical result card issued by a Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education in Pakistan. Candidates having foreign qualifications (e.g. A-Level, 12th Grade and equivalent) must provide the attested copies of Equivalence Certificate issued by IBCC. Valid Interim or Provisional certificate by IBCC will also be acceptable.*

c) *Three (03) copies each of computer generated result cards of Entrance Test/SAT II/MCAT ® scores (Not to be attested).*

d) *Three (03) attested copies of Domicile Certificate of the candidate (In case of Children of Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality Holders category only, domicile of Father/Mother shall also be acceptable). No other certificate or document (e.g. Birth Certificate, B-Form, CNIC etc.) is acceptable in lieu of Domicile Certificate of the candidate. Any candidate found to have domicile of more than one place shall be disqualified.*

e) *Three (03) attested copies of CNIC of Father / Mother. Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality Holders may provide attested copies of their Pakistani Passport/ NIC/ NICOP/ POC or any other official document providing their Pakistani nationality.*

f) *Four (04) recent photographs. One to be pasted on the Admission Form and to be attested on the front, and other three, attested on the back, to be attached with the form. Your photograph must be: Colour; Passport size (4.5 cm high x 3.5 cm wide); Taken against a light blue background.*

g) *Original Fitness Certificate issued by a Registered Medical Practitioner / Government Medical Officer.*

h) *Original Affidavit on Rs.20/- stamp paper as per specimen given as* ***Annexure-I*** *of the Prospectus.*

i) *Candidates claiming to be Muslim Huffaz-e-Quran shall attach three (03) attested copies of Hifz-e-Quran Certificate issued by a registered Madrassa.*

j) *Candidates claiming to be disabled students shall attach the copy of a*

Certificate issued by a specialist working in a Government Hospital describing the nature of disability.

k) *Candidates seeking admission against seats reserved for Under-Developed Districts shall attach Original Certificates from the Heads / Principals of the concerned educational institutions where they have studied **from class one to twelve**. These certificates must be dully verified by concerned EDO (Education) and DEO (Colleges) and countersigned by the DCO of relevant district. These candidates will also submit a Surety Bond on Rs.20/- stamp paper as per specimen given as **Annexure-II** of the Prospectus.*

l) *Candidates seeking admission against the seat reserved for Cholistan shall have to provide a certificate issued by Cholistan Development Authority clearly stating that the candidate is a Cholistani by birth and has actual residence in Cholistan.*

m) *Overseas Pakistanis shall submit three (03) attested copies of Overseas Pakistanis Foundation (OPF) Membership Card (Not mandatory for dual nationality holders) of the candidate and/or his/her parents (real father and/or mother).*

n) *Overseas Pakistanis (Not Dual Nationality Holders) shall submit duly filled certificate given as **Annexure IV** of the Prospectus, issued by the concerned Embassy of Pakistan.*

o) *Three (03) attested copies of current Pakistani passport of Overseas Pakistanis OR valid foreign passport of Dual Nationality Holders of Pakistani origin.*

p) *Three (03) attested copies of Birth Certificate of the candidate (Only for candidates applying against reserved seats for Children of Overseas Pakistanis/Dual Nationality Holders).*

Q.35 What is meant by upgradation?

Ans: The candidate getting selected in one round will be considered for betterment/up-gradation in the subsequent round. The betterment/up-gradation herein means the higher preference exercised by the candidate. The shift in such up-gradation shall be compulsory and mandatory and no exception, whatsoever, will be taken under any circumstances.

There shall be two or more rounds of selection of candidates depending on the availability of vacant seats.

For second or subsequent round no separate form will be filled by the candidates. The choices of colleges, once entered in the form by the candidate, shall be final and irrevocable. This final data shall be used in entire selection process for the admission to first year MBBS/BDS for the current academic year.

Request for mutual transfer or status retention or down-gradation is not permissible under any circumstances. Such requests will not be entertained.

Q.36 My name has appeared in the Selection List. What will be the next process?

Ans:

(i) Selected candidates will be issued call letters by concerned colleges for interview.

(ii) Selected candidates shall have to submit all original documents and certificates at the time of interview. The original documents of the selected candidates will be retained by the college concerned and will be returned on leaving the institution.

(iii) No intimation whatsoever about non-selection will be sent individually and no correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.

(iv) The Medical Board of the respective medical colleges will examine selected candidates. If a candidate is disqualified medically, for reasons to be recorded, he/she will not be admitted. The Candidate must produce certificate to have been:

a. Inoculated against the enteric group of fevers within the preceding 12 months.

b. Fully vaccinated against Tetanus.

c. Fully vaccinated against hepatitis “B” virus.

d. Foreign students will have to produce a certificate of their HIV status from prescribed laboratories in Pakistan. If during the course of studies any student is found to be positive for HIV infection, he/she shall be repatriated at his/her own cost to his/her country of origin.

(v) The parent(s) or legal guardians must accompany all the candidates at the time of interview.

(vi) No candidate will be admitted unless he/she has paid the fee and other dues. All dues must be paid by the due date, otherwise the admission of defaulting students will be cancelled and next candidate on merit will be

considered for admission.

(vii) The selected candidate must join the college at which he/she is selected, on or before the date prescribed by the college authorities, failing which his/her admission stands cancelled. The selected candidate who has joined the college and wants to cancel the admission should cancel it, at the respective college. The college should accept the cancellation and inform the Chairman Admission Board alongwith copy of the cancellation letter immediately.

(viii) A candidate, who is selected but does not join the college or cancels the admission after joining, is not eligible for further selection process.

Q.37 I am already studying in a private medical college. How can I get admission to a public sector college? What is the procedure?

Ans:
a. If a candidate already admitted in any medical/dental institution (public or private) of the country, wishes to get admission in Government Medical & Dental Institution of the Punjab, he/she will have to surrender his/her previous admission completely and will not be entitled to any credit of examinations passed as well as dues paid prior to fresh admission.
b. He/she will have to appear in the Entrance Test afresh in the current year.
c. He/she shall have to **disclose** his/her previous admission in the Admission Form and shall also have to declare (as per specimen given as **Annexure-III** of the Prospectus) that he/she will not be entitled to any credit earned on the basis of his/her previous admission.
d. The candidate must not have exhausted all his/her chances to clear first professional examination and should be eligible to carry out further medical/dental education in Pakistan according to PMDC Rules and Regulations.
e. Non-disclosure of previous admission shall result in cancellation of admission secured in the current session.
f. Under no circumstances a student will be allowed to rejoin the surrendered course.

Q.38 What is the fee structure of public sector medical/dental colleges of the Punjab?

Ans: The tuition fee of first year MBBS/BDS for all categories of seats is around

Rs.19,000/- per annum (This does not include Sargodha Medical College, Sargodah and Nawaz Sharif Medial College Gurjat which have different fee structure). The hostel fee and utility charges are around Rs.30,000/- per annum (it does not include mess charges).

Q.39 How can I apply for private medical/dental colleges? Is UHS entrance test is also mandatory for admission to private sector medical/dental colleges?

Ans: The private medical/dental colleges of the Punjab advertise their admissions after the display of first selection list for public sector medical colleges by the UHS.

The candidate has to apply to various private sector colleges separately. The admissions in these private sector colleges are regulated by Pakistan Medical and Dental Council.

Yes, the entrance test conducted by UHS is also mandatory for admission to private sector medical/dental colleges of the province.

Q.40 From where I can get the list of approved private sector medical/dental colleges?

Ans: You can get the list of approved medical and dental colleges from the website of Pakistan Medical and Dental Council www.pmdc.org.pk.

Q.41 What is the fee structure in private sector medical/dental colleges?

Ans: According to PM&DC regulations, no private sector medical/dental college can charge a tuition fee of more than Rs.600,000/- per annum (it does not include admission fee, registration fee, hostel fee etc) from local candidates. On foreign seats, the annual fee is US$ 18,000 all inclusive.