



Family Medicine News



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BANGLADESH INSTITUTE OF FAMILY MEDICINE & RESEARCH
UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY CHITTAGONG



Postgraduate Campus of the University of Science & Technology Chittagong at Mirpur, Dhaka where MD in Family Medicine is going to be opened



Family Medicine Diploma students along with Prof. Kanu Bala are joining convocation of the USTC for receiving certificates

Bangladesh Institute of Family Medicine & Research [BIFMR] is an Institute of the University of Science & Technology Chittagong [USTC]. BIFMR is an 'Academic Member of WONCA' from the beginning of the provision established. The Institute is running a one-year long 'Family Medicine Diploma [FMD]' course from 1 July to 30 June of the following year. Students from all over Bangladesh join the course and benefitted. In fact this is the only university run course in family medicine in Bangladesh.



Prospectus of the 'Family Medicine Diploma [FMD]' course of the BIFMR of the University of Science & Technology Chittagong

More than 200 lectures are arranged and delivered on Fridays only. Some key clinical examinations, patient handling techniques, instrument handling, etc. are also taught on Fridays. Students are attached to family medicine teachers at their respective localities, where they keep records and submit a log-book as proof of their work. At the last part of the course, students attend compact hospital training programmes. A very competent full-time faculty of family medicine discipline teaches the students. Teachers from other specialties are also invited to deliver lectures.



Dr. Girth Manning is handing over Crest of the Royal College of General Practitioners of UK to National Prof. N. Islam, Founder of the USTC



At the beginning of the classes of any session, students receive a course kit consisting of whole year course schedule, log-book diary, name badge, etc.

In the month of June final evaluations are done in 5 categories. They are: 1. Written examinations in 2 papers, 2. Log-book consisting of 25 illustrative cases, 3. Objective structured practical examinations [OSPE] in 20 stations, 4. Clinical examinations in the form of one long case and two short cases, and 5. Viva examination in one board. Students have to pass all the sections separately. The University issues certificates and mark-sheets to all the successful students. They usually attend convocation and receive certificates from the Hon'ble President of Bangladesh, who is the Chancellor of the University.



Students and teachers actively took part in all the activities of WONCA South Asia Regional Conference 2015 in Dhaka



Students are attending the written examinations, while the teachers are distributing written khata among them



Students are attending OSPE examinations. They have to attend 20 stations for 20 exhibits

The running course was started on 1 July 2014 and is continuing till 30 June 2015. Total 36 students are admitted into the course, 30 students attended the examination. The examinations of the 'Family Medicine Diploma' of June 2015 were held on 12, 13, 24 & 25 June 2015. Written Examinations of Paper-I and Paper-II were held on 12 June 2015 at BSU Auditorium, Dhaka. Written questions consist of short questions and problem oriented questions. All the clinical problems encountered by the family physicians are presented. In OSPE section x-rays, pathology reports, x-rays, ECG, specimens, photographs, instruments, etc. are given. There are 20 stations for 20 exhibits. Students attend all the stations and answer the relevant questions.



2 short cases are given to the students for spot diagnosis. Each of the cases are examined and answered for 10 minutes.



In long case sections students take history, do examinations and make provisional diagnosis in 20 minutes. Another 10 minutes for defending.

In clinical examinations, students are given two short cases and one long case. For each of the short cases 10 minutes is allotted. For long case, 20 minutes for history, examinations and diagnosis; and 10 minutes for defending.



One of the students is facing the viva board.



Chief examiner Prof. Kanu Bala is consulting with external examiner.

Students face one viva board where students are evaluated critically. They also defend their log-books here. Three teachers, including one external teacher assess their depth of knowledge.



These teachers took the whole examination in all sections.



Main campus of the USTC from where results are published.

Mr. M. H. Mohsin, CEO of the BIFMR tabulated the results and the Controller of Examinations of the USTC published the result. The 30 students were enrolled as examinee and 26 students passed the examination successfully. All the successful students will be given testimonial from the Institute. They will be issued Certificates and Mark Sheets by the Controller of Examinations of the university. The students usually attend convocation for receiving certificates.