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# विवरण पत्रिका PROSPECTUS

# शैक्षणिक कार्यक्रम ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

# सत्र-2024 SESSION - 2024

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

ree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology (SCTIMST) is an Institution of National Importance with the status of a University under the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India by an Act of Parliament (Act 52 of 1980). The joint culture of medicine and technology that the Institute pioneered more than four decades ago has come of age and gained unprecedented acceptance in India. The Institute focuses on advanced super specialty postgraduate training programs in medical specialties and health research of social relevance and the development of high-quality, medical devices and technology of industrial significance. The emphasis is on the development of key areas that are less readily available in the country such as interventional radiology, interventional stroke care, cardiac electrophysiology, advanced cardiothoracic and vascular surgery, surgery for epilepsy, micro neurosurgery, deep brain stimulation for movement disorders, development of new biomedical devices and products, evaluation of medical devices to global specifications as well as initiating new academic programs and health science research and training.

The Institute has three wings – the Hospital Wing, the Biomedical **Technology Wing and the Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies Wing**. Excellent research and learning opportunities are available at these wings. The Institute has a dedicated team of clinicians, scientists, and engineers devoted to high-quality medical research, biomedical research technological development, and public health research.

#### The Institute's objectives are:

- Promote biomedical engineering and technology.
- Provide and demonstrate high standards of patient care in advanced medical specialties.
- Develop innovative postgraduate training programs of the highest quality in advanced medical specialties and biomedical engineering and technology.
- Participate in public health reforms through research, training, and interventions.

The Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology Act, 1980, empowers the Institute to offer post-graduate programs in medical sciences and biomedical engineering and stipulates that the medical degrees and diplomas granted by the Institute shall be recognized medical qualifications for the purpose of the National Medical Commission (NMC) Act, 2019 Erstwhile Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 and that they shall be deemed to be included in the Schedule to that Act. As per the notification by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in the Gazette of India, dated 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2022, the name of SCTIMST was included in the Schedule of the NMC Act, 2019. As per Section 37(1) of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 (No. 30 of 2019) the medical qualifications granted by any statutory or other body in India, which are covered by the categories listed in the Schedule shall be recognized medical qualifications for the purposes of this Act.

#### **PROGRAMS ON OFFER - SESSION 2024**

	Postdoctoral Programs	3.	Diploma in Neuro- Nursing (DNN)
1.	DM Cardiology	4.	Diploma in Advanced Medical Imaging Technology (DAMIT)
2.	DM Neurology	5.	Diploma in Operation Theatre & Anaesthesia Technology (DOTAT)
3.	DM Neuroimaging and Interventional Neuroradiology	6.	PG Diploma in Cardiac Laboratory Technology (PGDCLT)
4.	DM Cardiovascular Imaging and Vascular Interventional Radiology	7.	PG Diploma in Neuro Technology (PGDNT)
5.	DM Cardiothoracic & Vascular Anaesthesia	8.	PG Diploma in Medical Records Science (PGDMRS)
6.	DM Neuroanaesthesia	9.	PG Diploma in Clinical Perfusion (PGDCP)
7.	MCh Cardiovascular & Thoracic Surgery	10.	PG Diploma in Blood Banking Technology (PGDBBT)
8.	MCh Neurosurgery (after MS)		Advanced Certificate Program
9.	MCh Vascular Surgery/	1.	Advanced Certificate Program in Physiotherapy in Neurological Sciences (ACP-PN)
10	Integrated MD-PhD, DM-PhD and MCh-PhD program	2.	Advanced Certificate Program in Physiotherapy in Cardiovascular Sciences (ACP-PC)
11.	Post Doctoral Fellowship (Post DM/MCh/DNB)		OTHER PROGRAMS
12.	Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Transfusion Transmitted Disease Testing		Joint Programs with IIT Madras & CMC Vellore
12. 13.		1.	Joint Programs with IIT Madras & CMC Vellore Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering
	Testing	1. 2.	
13.	Testing Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Hospital Infection Control		Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering
13.	TestingPost Doctoral Certificate Course in Hospital Infection ControlPost Doctoral Certificate Course in Neuropathology		Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology)
13. 14.	Testing         Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Hospital Infection Control         Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Neuropathology         Postgraduate/PhD Programs	2.	Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology) Affiliated Programs Conducted at other Centres
13. 14. 1.	Testing         Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Hospital Infection Control         Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Neuropathology         Postgraduate/PhD Programs         MD Transfusion Medicine	2. <b>A.</b>	Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering         PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology)         Affiliated Programs Conducted at other Centres         ICMR-National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai
13. 14. 1. 2.	Testing         Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Hospital Infection Control         Post Doctoral Certificate Course in Neuropathology         Postgraduate/PhD Programs         MD Transfusion Medicine         Master of Public Health (MPH)	2. <b>A.</b> 1.	Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering         PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology)         Affiliated Programs Conducted at other Centres         ICMR-National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai         Master of Public Health [(MPH) (Epidemiology and Health Systems)]
13. 14. 1. 2.	TestingPost Doctoral Certificate Course in Hospital Infection ControlPost Doctoral Certificate Course in NeuropathologyPostgraduate/PhD ProgramsMD Transfusion MedicineMaster of Public Health (MPH)PhD	<ol> <li>2.</li> <li>A.</li> <li>1.</li> <li>B.</li> </ol>	Master of Technology (M Tech) in Clinical Engineering         PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology)         Affiliated Programs Conducted at other Centres         ICMR-National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai         Master of Public Health [(MPH) (Epidemiology and Health Systems)]         Christian Medical College, Vellore

#### FEE STRUCTURE (in INR)

Particulars	Postdoctoral courses (PDF /DM/MCh/ PDCC/MD)	PhD and Integrated PhD (4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> year)	МРН	DPH	PG Diploma/ Diploma/ Advanced Certificate Program in Physiotherapy
Application fee		1,500 (1200*)			800 (640*)
	2,000 (1,600*) (for PDF)		1,500 (1200*)	1,500 (1200*)	
Admission fee	2,000	2,000	1,000	1,000	500
Tuition Fee	63,000 (per year)	20,000 (per year) 40,000 (For first Extraordinary extension) 60,000 (For second Extraordinary extension)	1,10,000 (for 2 years - Non-sponsored independent students) 2,00,000 (for 2 years - sponsored students)	-	10,000 per year (for Diploma/PG Diploma Programs) 1,000 per year (for Advanced Certificate Program in Physiotherapy)
Course Fee	-	-		2,00,000	-
Caution Deposit	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Examination Fee: Part-I	2,000	-	1,000		250
Part-II	10,000			-	
Comprehensive Exam	-	6,000		-	-
Thesis Evaluation Fee	1,500	15,000		-	-
Identity Card	220	220	220	220	220
Library	1,000	1,000	500	500	200
Student Welfare Fund	1,000	1,000	500	500	200
Certificates	1,000	1,000	1,000	500	200
Miscellaneous Fee	10,000		-	-	5,000
Hostel Fee			20,000 per year	Hostel facilities not available	

\*for SC/ST candidates.

Fee will be revised by the Institute every year. The fee once paid will not be refunded. Eligible candidates can apply for e-grantz scheme of Govt. of Kerala for fee/Scholarships

# A. DETAILS OF POSTDOCTORAL AND POSTGRADUATE COURSES OFFERED IN HOSPITAL WING

The postdoctoral courses being conducted in the hospital wing are:

- Super specialty DM/MCh courses (3-year duration)
- Integrated MD-PHD, DM-PhD, and MCh-PhD (5-year duration)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship (One-year duration)
- Postdoctoral certificate course (One-year duration)
- Postgraduate MD (3-year duration)

# I. <u>POSTDOCTORAL PROGRAMS (SUPER SPECIALTY) ON</u> <u>OFFER- SESSION 2024</u>

# Overview of the number of seats, duration and eligibility of DM/MCh courses

Program	Numbe	r of Seats	Duration	Qualifications
	General	Sponsored	(Year)	required
	quota	seats		
				*MD/DNB in Gen.
DM Cordiology	8	3	3	Medicine/Paediatrics
DM Cardiology	0	3	3	/Equivalent degree
				recognized by NMC
				MD/DNB in Gen.
DM Neurology	6	3	3	Medicine/Paediatrics
Din Neurology	0	5	5	/Equivalent degree
				recognized by NMC
DM Neuroimaging and				MD/DNB Radiology/
Interventional	4	1	3	Radiodiagnosis/
Neuroradiology	т	1	0	Equivalent degree
				recognized by NMC
DM Cardiovascular				MD/DNB Radiology/
Imaging and Vascular	3	1	3	Radiodiagnosis/
Interventional	0	1	5	Equivalent degree
Radiology				recognized by NMC
				MD/DNB in
DM Cardiothoracic &	8	3	3	Anaesthesia/
Vascular Anaesthesia				Equivalent degree
				recognized by NMC
				MD/DNB in
DM Neuroanaesthesia	7	2	3	Anaesthesia/
Din Acuivanaestnesia	,			Equivalent degree
				recognized by NMC
				MS/DNB in Gen.
MCh Cardiovascular &	6	2	3	Surgery/
Thoracic Surgery				Equivalent degree
				recognized by NMC
				MS/DNB in Gen.
MCh Vascular Surgery	1	0	3	Surgery/Equivalent
mon vasculai Suigely				degree recognized by
				NMC
MCh Neurosurgery	4	2	3	MS/DNB in Gen.

(After MS)	Surgery/Equivalent
	degree recognized by NMC

\*One seat in DM Cardiology is normally reserved for candidates with MD in Paediatrics or its equivalent qualification. However, in the absence of suitable candidates, the seat will be filled from the list of candidates with MD/DNB in General Medicine.

#### Minimum Educational Qualifications Required for Admission

#### A. DM COURSES

#### DM Cardiology and DM Neurology

MD in General Medicine or Paediatrics from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile Medical Council of India (MCI) / National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in General Medicine/Paediatrics or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/ erstwhile MCI.

#### DM Neuroimaging & Interventional Neuroradiology and DM Cardiovascular Imaging and Vascular Interventional Radiology

MD in Radiodiagnosis from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile MCI/National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in Radiology/Radiodiagnosis or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/ erstwhile MCI.

#### DM Cardiothoracic and Vascular Anaesthesia and DM Neuroanaesthesia

MD in Anaesthesia or equivalent from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile MCI/ National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in Anaesthesia or any equivalent degree recognized by National Medical Council (NMC)/ erstwhile MCI.

#### B. MCh COURSES

#### MCh Cardiovascular & Thoracic Surgery, Vascular surgery, Neurosurgery

MS in General Surgery from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile MCI/ National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board in General Surgery or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/ erstwhile MCI.

Note: The candidates must have completed the requisite qualification, degree and tenure by 31.01.2024 for the January batch, and 31.07.2024 for the July batch The candidates who are likely to complete their requisite qualification, degree and tenure after the above date will not be eligible to appear in this examination. Furnishing wrong information by the candidate will be subjected to disciplinary actions or denial of admission.

#### **UPPER AGE LIMIT**

Forty years (as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 for the January session and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 for July session). Age relaxation of five years is applicable for SC/ST candidates, sponsored candidates, and for qualified Ex-service personnel with a service of not less than five years.

# Kerala State Medical Councils (KSMC)/Travancore Cochin Medical Council (TCMC) Registration

KSMC/TCMC Registration is mandatory. The candidate should have applied for registration with KSMC/TCMC at the time of admission at SCTIMST and must submit the registration certificate to the Division of Academic Affairs, SCTIMST for confirmation of admission.

#### **METHOD OF SELECTION**

The selection of the candidates for the course is through the counseling based on the rank list of the entrance examination of the INI-SS (Institutes of National Importance-Super Specialty) conducted by the AIIMS, New Delhi and further verification of certificates and other credentials/documents by SCTIMST. For further details on the entrance exam, admission and selection process, please visit the following website: http://www.aiimsexams.ac.in.

#### Salary/Stipend (per month in Rupees) (Except for Sponsored candidates)

Program	Duration	Scale of pay / Stipend in INR per month
DM & MCh	3 Years	1 <sup>st</sup> year - 74000 + *
		2 <sup>nd</sup> year - 76200 + *
		3 <sup>rd</sup> year – 78500 + *

\*Applicable HRA, NPA, DA & DA on TA as per Institute Rules.

# II. POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMS ON OFFER - SESSION 2024

#### **1.** MD in Transfusion Medicine

	Number of	f Seats	Duration	Qualifications
Program	Non- sponsored	Sponsored	(Year)	required
MD in Transfusion Medicine	2 (UR)	1	3	MBBS or equivalent degree

#### NUMBER OF SEATS, DURATION AND ELIGIBILITY

#### Minimum Educational Qualifications Required for Admission

MBBS degree or an equivalent degree from a recognized university (Medical Council of India/National Medical Commission) with a one-year compulsory rotatory internship from a medical college of repute. The candidates must have completed the requisite qualification, degree and tenure by 31.01.2024 for January session and 31.07.2024 for the July session. The candidates who are likely to complete their requisite qualification, degree and tenure after the above date will not be eligible to appear in this examination. Furnishing wrong information by the candidate will be subjected to disciplinary actions or denial of admission. The candidate should have applied for and obtained registration with KSMC/ TCMC at the time of admission at SCTIMST.

#### Reservation

Reservation will be followed as per Government of India norms.

#### **UPPER AGE LIMIT**

Forty years (as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 for January session and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 for July session), relaxable by five years for SC/ST candidates, sponsored candidates and for qualified Ex-service personnel with a service of not less than five years.

#### **Admission Process**

The selection of the candidates for the course is through the counselling based on the rank list in the INI-CET (Institutes of National Importance-Common Entrance Test) conducted by the AIIMS, New Delhi and verification of certificates and other credentials/documents by SCTIMST. For further details on the entrance exam, admission and selection process, please visit the following website: <u>https://www.aiimsexams.org</u>

#### Salary/stipend (per month in Rupees) (Except for Sponsored candidates)

Program	Duration	Scale of pay / Stipend in INR per month
MD (Transfusion Medicine)	3 Years	61300 +*

\* Applicable HRA, NPA, DA & DA on TA as per Institute Rules

IMPORTANT DATES – POST DOCTORAL AND PG PROC FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION – JANUARY 2024	_
Admission Notification	
Online application website	
Availability of online Application	I-CET
Status of Application & Rejected application with reason for rejection. Applicants are required to check status through the Registration Status of My Page after Login.	I-SS/IN
Last date for submission of required documents for Regularization of Rejected Application. No Correspondence will be entertained after given date under any circumstances and candidates are requested NOT TO CONTACT the Examination Section.	per the prospectus, part A of INI-SS/INI-CET
Last date for Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India to forward an approval regarding "No Objection" to the Foreign National.	spectus
Finalization of Centres and allotment of Roll Nos/Admit Card on website.	he pro
Hall ticket download	As per t
Written Test through online (CBT) mode	А
Expected date of declaration of Result (for all INIs)	
Commencement of courses at SCTIMST	01.01.2024
Director's welcome address	06.01.2024

# III. INTEGRATED MD-PhD, DM-PhD & MCh-PhD PROGRAM

The purpose of starting the Integrated MD-PhD, DM-PhD, and MCh-PhD program is to create a new generation of medical specialists called 'Physician-Scientists' in the country. The concept of Physician-Scientists, a well-established program in the Western world, aims to bridge the chasm between patient care and research, define problems in patient care, and through research help in improving patient care. The curriculum of the above-mentioned course integrates clinical skill training of the MD/DM/MCh courses with high-quality research skills of the PhD program. This will enable the residents to be better academicians in clinical work and research and help them to become PhD guides of the future.

The eligibility, method of selection, conduct, and syllabus for the MD-PhD, DM-PhD and MCh-PhD programs offered by the institute is given below. The course is a continuous five-year program. The program is divided into two phases. The first phase, i.e., the initial three years, follows the syllabus of MD/DM/MCh program, including clinics, and is a mandatory requirement. The second phase, i.e., 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> years are devoted to research leading to PhD.

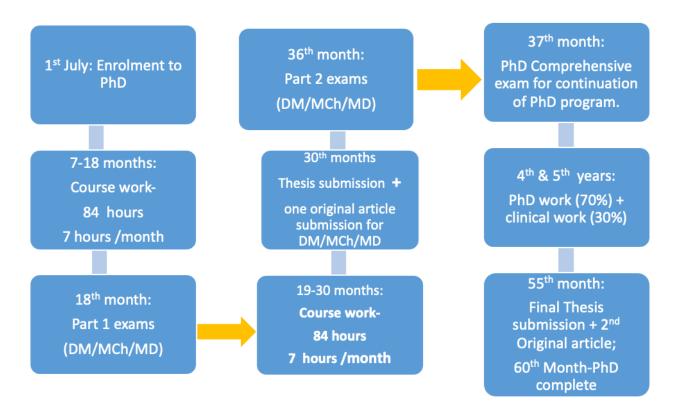
# 1. Objectives of the Program

The proposed objectives of this new program are:

- To train those eligible doctors pursuing the highest clinical training to do advanced research.
- To enable the doctors to gain research exposure in the wide range of specialties offered at our institute such as medical science, public health, biomedical engineering, and technology.
- To integrate the clinical and research fields, allowing an effective utilization of training and resources, thereby reducing the duration of the course when separately done.
- To increase the research output of the country.
- To fulfill the Institute's stated objectives, namely,
  - Promote biomedical engineering and technology.
  - Provide and demonstrate high standards of patient care in advanced medical specialties.
  - Develop innovative postgraduate training programs of the highest quality in advanced medical specialties and biomedical engineering and technology.
  - Participate in public health reforms through research, training, and interventions.

# 2. Program Flowchart

A flow chart showing the design of the program is given below:



# 3. Eligibility for Admission

For admission to the integrated MD-PhD, DM-PhD, and MCh-PhD programs, the candidates must fulfill the following requirements:

#### 3.1. Need to Be a Resident of SCTIMST

Admission to the integrated programs is restricted to first-year residents admitted to the regular MD/DM/MCh program of SCTIMST. To get admitted to the integrated PhD program, the resident must get enroll in the integrated PhD program after qualifying the prescribed selection process within 6 months of joining the MD/DM/MCh program of SCTIMST.

#### **3.2. Educational Qualifications**

Various integrated programs available and the educational qualifications required for admission to these programs are listed in the table below:

Name of the	Eligibility criteria
program	
Integrated MD-PhD	<ul> <li>First-year resident of MD (Transfusion Medicine).</li> <li>MBBS degree or an equivalent degree from a recognized university (Medical Council of India/National Medical Commission recognized or an Institute of National Importance) with a one-year compulsory rotatory internship from a medical college of repute.</li> </ul>
Integrated DM-PhD	<ul> <li>First-year resident of DM (Cardiology/Neurology).</li> <li>MD in General Medicine or Paediatrics from an Indian university recognized by the erstwhile Medical Council of India (MCI) / National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in General Medicine/Paediatrics or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/erstwhile MCI/ an Institute of National Importance.</li> <li>First-year resident of DM (Cardiothoracic and Vascular Anaesthesia/Neuroanaesthesia).</li> <li>MD in Anaesthesia or equivalent from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile MCI/ National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in Anaesthesia or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/erstwhile MCI/ National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in Anaesthesia or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/erstwhile MCI/an Institute of National Importance.</li> <li>First-year resident of DM (Neuroimaging and Interventional Neuroradiology/Cardiac Radiology).</li> <li>MD in Radiodiagnosis from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile MCI/ National Board (DNB) in Radiology/Radiodiagnosis or any equivalent degree</li> </ul>
	recognized by NMC/erstwhile MCI/an Institute of National Importance.
Integrated MCh-PhD	<ul> <li>First-year resident of MCh (Neurosurgery/Cardiothoracic and Vascular surgery (CVTS)/Vascular surgery).</li> <li>MS in General Surgery from an Indian university recognized by erstwhile MCI/National Medical Commission (NMC) or Diplomate of the National Board in General Surgery or any equivalent degree recognized by NMC/erstwhile MCI/an Institute of National Importance.</li> </ul>

#### 3.3. KSMC/TCMC Registration

The candidate should have applied for registration with **Kerala State Medical Councils (KSMC)**/Travancore Cochin Medical Council (TCMC) at the time of admission at SCTIMST and must submit the registration certificate within two months of joining the program. KSMC/TCMC registration is mandatory for confirmation of admission.

#### 3.4. Upper Age Limit

The upper age limit is forty years as per joining date of MD/ DM/MCh program(as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 for January Batch and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 for July Batch). Age relaxation of five years is applicable for SC/ST candidates, sponsored candidates, and qualified ex-service personnel with a service of not less than five years.

# 4. Duration of the Programs

The total duration of the integrated MD-PhD, DM-PhD & MCh-PhD programs will be five years, of which the initial three years will be spent by the candidate undertaking the MD/DM/MCh program. The final two years will spend pursuing the PhD through research work. During the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> years, the time spent on research and patient care services would be in the ratio of 70:30. The residents pursuing the integrated programs shall submit their PhD thesis for evaluation, two years after the completion of their MD/DM/MCh program. The maximum duration to submit the thesis is six years after MD/DM/MCh program. No further extension will be provided for thesis submission after 6 years. The fellowship for doing PhD will be provided only for two successive years consecutively after the completion of the MD/DM/MCh program. The candidate will also not be permitted to pursue the 30% clinical work within his/her parent department after the two-year term following enrolling in the PhD program is over.

In the integrated program, the residents are expected to complete their PhD coursework during their MD/DM/MCh tenure and undertake the comprehensive viva-voce examination for securing admission, soon after completion of MD/DM/MCh program. They will not be required to further undertake the comprehensive written institute test to secure a placement into the PhD program.

It may be noted that during the first three years of the integrated PhD program, the rules and regulations pertaining to the MD/DM/MCh programs (i.e., fee structure, curriculum, postings, clinical work, resident evaluation, examinations, etc.) will be followed as per the institute rules and guidelines of the respective programs.

# 5. Number of Seats

For residents admitted in July 2024 session the one seat each is available in Cardiology, Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Cardiothoracic and Vascular Anaesthesia, Cardiac imaging and vascular interventional Radiology and Neuroimaging and interventional Neuroradiology.

# 6. Method of Selection

#### 6.1 Selection for MD/DM/MCH courses

The admission of the candidates to the MD/DM/MCh programs is based on the selection criteria laid down in the entrance examination of the INI-CET (Institutes of National Importance-Common Entrance Test) and the INI-SS (Institutes of National Importance-Super Specialty) conducted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, and following further verification of certificates and other credentials/documents by SCTIMST. For further details on the entrance exam, admission, and selection process, please visit the following website: http://www.aiimsexams.ac.in

#### 6.2 Selection to Integrated MD-PhD/DM-PhD/MCh-PhD programs

Only the first-year residents who have joined the MD/DM/MCh program at SCTIMST are eligible for pursuing the integrated program. For pursuing the integrated program, they must get enrolled within 6 months of joining the MD/DM/MCh program via the institute's PhD admission process.

The eligible candidates who wish to join the integrated program shall fill in the application form for the integrated course through the online mode. Candidates shall upload a *Research Proposal* (about 1000 words) and a *Statement of Purpose* for undertaking a research career (about 300 to 500 words) while submitting their applications.

The topic for the research area for PhD should be different from the dissertation topic of the MD/DM/MCh program. The guides for the two programs (MD/DM/MCh and the PhD) shall mandatorily be different. Both of them, however, will be assigned to the candidate during the first year itself of his/her pursuing the MD/DM/MCh program. Collaborative research proposals related to biomedical technology, public health, or interdisciplinary clinical areas of the institute would be given priority for the integrated PhD selection.

The selection for the integrated PhD program will be done through a comprehensive viva-voce examination for securing admission, soon after completion of MD/DM/MCh program.

A rank list consisting of selected and waitlist candidates will be published based on the performance in the interview for each department. From those departments that conduct two different DM/MCh courses like Anesthesia, Radiology, and CVTS, only one candidate per specialty will be permitted to register for the integrated program. Once short-listed for integrated PhD, the cut-off date for joining the program shall not exceed thirty days.

The DM/MCh candidates admitted in the January batch have to appear for the selection of PhD in the July session of the same year. In departments where the seat of the integrated PhD program was not filled by the January batch of residents, and if the DM/MCh candidates are admitted to the department in July session of INI-SS/INI-CET, the candidates can be allowed to appear in the interview in the next year's January session. However, if the integrated PhD seat is already filled in the June PhD interview by the candidate who joined the department in January that year and the candidate has joined the integrated course, then the department will not be allowed to recruit another candidate from that year's batch in the next January session selection until an increase in seats is approved by statutory bodies of the institute.

The Institute reserves its right to shortlist candidates based on the applicant's academic merit and scientific records and the availability of research guides during that year.

The list of recognized guides and their areas of research interest is available at: [https://www.sctimst.ac.in/Academic%20and%20Research/Academic/Guidelin es,%20Manuals,%20Forms/resources/PhD\_Guides\_list\_Dec\_2021.pdf]

# 7. Fee Structure

For the first three years, the yearly prescribed institute fees need to be paid by the residents for the MD/DM/MCh program. The fee details for PhD program are as follows:

Particulars	Fee, INR
Application fee (to be paid at the time of submitting the	1,500
application)	(1200*)
Admission fee (to be paid at the time of registration to PhD	2,000
program)	
Tuition Fee (to be paid after MD/DM/MCh program - payable	20,000
on the 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> years of the program)	(per year)
Comprehensive Examination (to be paid at the time of	6,000
submitting the application for comprehensive examination)	
Thesis Evaluation Fee (to be paid at the time of submitting the	15,000
thesis)	

\*for SC/ST candidates

The fee may be revised by the Institute periodically. The fee once paid will not be refunded. The fee for the fourth year needs to be paid immediately after completion of the MD/DM/ MCh program.

#### 8. Salary Payable

The integrated MD/DM/MCh-PhD candidates will be paid the salary of the third-year senior resident of the institute for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Year. No private practice or other employment will be allowed during the entire program. PhD fellowship will be provided for two years after the completion of MD/DM/MCh program (provided the candidate has successfully cleared the comprehensive viva voce examination for entry into the integrated PhD program) and no fellowship will be provided after completion of the 5<sup>th</sup> year tenure of the integrated program.

#### 9. Bond

The candidate may have to undertake a mandatory bond for the MD/DM/MCh programs based on government rules and regulations. The period of PhD program will not overlap with the mandatory bond period (if relevant) applicable for the MD/DM/MCh programs. However, **the bond will not be required for the PhD program**. The candidate may be allowed to opt out of the integrated PhD immediately after completion of the MD/ DM/MCh programs if he/she wishes to do so, with appropriate reason.

# **10. Work Distribution**

The integrated PhD is a full-time program and those enrolled will not be allowed to pursue other employments or engage in private practice. During the first three years the candidate will complete the MD/DM/MCh course along with PhD course work. It is permissible for the candidate to spend at least 30% of time in clinical work in the 4th and 5th year in the department of their specialty; and, 70% of the time during the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> years will be exclusively reserved for the PhD research work.

# 11. Registration for the Integrated PhD Program

Candidates who have qualified for admission to the integrated PhD program are encouraged to meet the recognized guides and decide to join with one of them based on their areas of interest and the available facilities. The list of research guides along with their areas of specialization is available on the Institute website. A topic of research that falls in line with the interests of the Institute may be submitted to the Division of Academic Affairs along with the 'Acceptance Letter' of the research guide for the process of registration. (Format of the Registration form is available on the website under the link: <u>https://www.sctimst.ac.in/Academic%20and%20Research/Academic/Guidelines</u> <u>,%20Manuals,%20Forms/</u>.

# 12. Structure of the Integrated PhD Program

#### 12.1. Coursework, seminars, credit distribution, and examinations

Coursework is an integral part of the PhD program. The minimum required credits for the PhD coursework is fourteen. This includes 2 credits acquired through seminars. Each credit requires 15 hours of classroom teaching or 30 hours of practical (clinical/wet lab) work.

The required courses are divided into two types:

a) Mandatory courses: A scholar shall acquire 8 credits from the mandatory courses. The course in *'Research Methodology'* offered by the Institute will be mandatory.

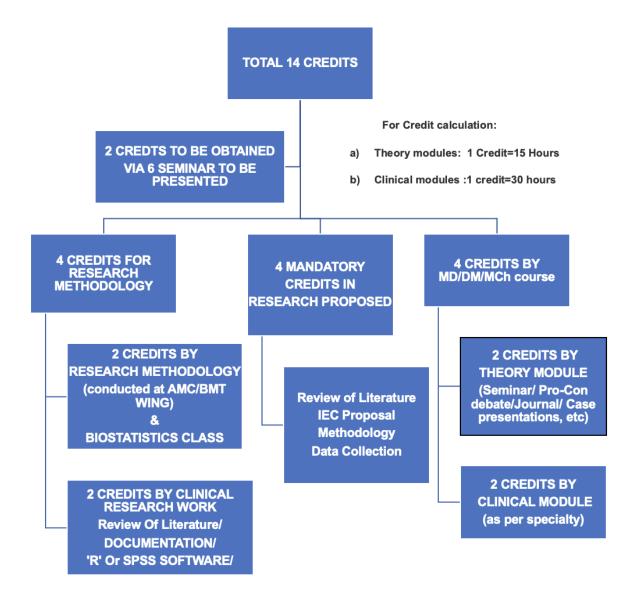
b) Optional courses: In addition to the '*Research Methodology*' course, students will be expected to attend courses related to their field of research. They shall acquire 4 credits by clearing optional courses. During the first three years, the scholar may complete all the mandatory (8 credits) and optional (4 credits) courses.

Six seminars related to the topic of research shall be presented by the scholar and the candidate shall acquire 2 credits through them. The schedule and the topics for the seminars will be decided by the Doctoral Advisory Committee (DAC). These seminars may be completed during the first 3 years.

During the fourth and fifth years, 70% of their time shall be dedicated to the research, participating in wet laboratory activities, presenting seminars, etc. They shall spend 30% of their time for engaging in clinical work.

The scholar shall complete the PhD coursework in two phases, as shown in the table and flow chart below:

Phase	Coursework and	Examinations to clear	Other research
	credits		related work
Phase 1	The candidate is	(1) Examination for 12	The candidate is
(1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup>	expected to	credits of PhD course	expected to finalize
and 3 <sup>rd</sup>	acquire 14 credits:	work.	the PhD guide, co-
years)	8 credits from	(2) Internal	guide, Doctoral
	mandatory	assessment (theory) of	Advisory Committee
	courses and 4	MD/DM/MCh. Some of	and the topic; and,
	credits from	the internal	obtain Internal
	optional courses	examinations will be	Ethical Committee
	related to	considered valid for	(IEC) and other
	research topic.	clearing of optional	clearances (if
	(Work	courses of the PhD	required).
	distribution: 40%	program.	
	from theory &	(3) Objective	
	60% from clinical	Structured Clinical	
	skill training).	Examination (OSCE)	
	Acquire 2 credits:	for clinical skills (for	
	Six seminars	DM/MCh).	
	related to the	(4) Part 1 and Part 2	
	topic of PhD-	exams to continue for	
	related work.	MD/DM/MCh.	
Phase 2		Comprehensive	The candidate is
$(4^{th} and 5^{th})$		examination	expected to spend
years			30% of the time in
			clinical work in the
			parent department
			and the remaining
			70% of the time to
			conduct PhD
			research work; and,
			complete the
			research objectives,
			fulfill the
			mandatory
			requirements of the
			PhD degree,
			conduct the
			colloquium, and
			submit the thesis.



#### 12.2. Doctoral Advisory Committee and progress evaluation

Doctoral Advisory Committee (DAC) will be formed for the student within one month from the date of registration to the PhD program. The DAC shall monitor the progress made by the scholar in his/her PhD research work. DAC may review the following:

1. Log book - Details of the courses attended, seminars presented and examinations passed will be recorded.

2. Coursework - The student has to score a minimum of 50% marks for each module to qualify for the credits of that module.

3. Seminars - Objective evaluation system will be used for the evaluation of seminars, and the evaluation will be done by the faculty/guide.

The Guide and DAC may encourage the student to attend more courses as per the requirement of the specific research area. Semi-annual reports have to be submitted by the student to the Division of Academic Affairs through the DAC. Page **21** of **86**  The details of the courses completed and a soft copy of the seminars may be submitted to the Division of Academic Affairs prior to the comprehensive examination.

# 12.3 Comprehensive examination

The student shall appear for the comprehensive viva voce examination to continue with the PhD program soon after the completion of the MD/DM/MCh degree. The comprehensive examination may be cleared preferably by the 37<sup>th</sup> or 38<sup>th</sup> month from the date of registration for the MD/DM/MCh program. For the evaluation, an oral test (to assess his/her basic knowledge of the subject and research methodology) will be conducted. The assigned PhD Guide may initiate the process for the conduct of the comprehensive examination. A minimum score of 60% is required to pass the comprehensive viva voce test for admission to the PhD course after clearing the MD/DM/MCh examination.

In the event of failure in the comprehensive viva voce examination, a second chance will be allowed within one year to clear the examination. The candidate will not be eligible to receive senior resident's pay in case he/she does not clear this examination. In case the candidate fails in the second attempt also, he/she will be deregistered from the PhD program.

# 12.4 Change of title of PhD thesis

Change of title of the thesis may be effected on the recommendations of the research guide and the DAC members with the approval of the Academic Committee and the Director any time before the presentation of the colloquium.

Change of research area will not be allowed under normal circumstances. However, under exceptional circumstances, it may be allowed with the approval of the Academic Committee.

# 12.5 Change of research guide

Change of research guide is not encouraged. In extraordinary cases, change of research guide may be permitted with the approval of the academic committee on the recommendation of the Head of the Department and the Director.

# 12.6. Thesis Submission

The thesis should reflect the substantial work carried out for the advancement of scientific knowledge; or, for product design and development; or, for applied work of an innovative nature. It should show competence in critical analysis of scientific data as well as a thorough familiarity with background literature. When the research work is completed, the scholar may submit the PhD thesis. The procedure to be followed is listed below:

(i) There shall be an open colloquium where the student shall present his/her work before an audience consisting of the DAC, PhD guide, staff and students of the Institute. Relevant suggestions received during the presentation may be incorporated into the thesis by the student.

- (ii) A synopsis may be submitted three months before the submission of thesis. The synopsis of the work done shall be approved by the DAC before submission to the Division of Academic Affairs (DAA).
- (iii) A scholar is expected to have, as first author, either one original research publication with an impact factor ≥3 or 2 publications in indexed journals. This is a mandatory requirement to be fulfilled for the award of PhD. Review articles will not be counted for this purpose. The publications shall be from the research work done during the period of registration of the PhD. The articles may be published/ accepted for publication before the viva-voce examination. Scholars are also expected to present their work in an international conference and a national conference.
- (iv) Thesis should be prepared as per the "style manual" published in the Institute website.
  - (v) Soft bound copy of thesis may be submitted to the DAA along with the hard copy of the application for thesis evaluation.
- (vi) It is the responsibility of the student and research guide to subject the thesis for plagiarism check. Support in this may be obtained from the SCTIMST library. On plagiarism check, the similarity should be minimum and shall not exceed 10%. The thesis shall be submitted to the division of academic affairs along with the plagiarism check report certified by the guide.
- (vii) The DAA will send the thesis to the examiners. Based on the evaluation reports and favourable recommendation of the examiners, the candidate will be asked to appear for the final viva voce examination prior to be granted the PhD degree.
- (viii) Within two weeks of successful completion of the viva voce examination, two hardbound copies and a corrected soft copy of the thesis shall be submitted to the DAA. The student may handover all raw data and soft and hard copies of the thesis to the research guide.
- (ix) Soft copy of the corrected thesis may be submitted to the Division of Academic Affairs

#### 12.7 Panel of Thesis Examiners

The Guide, in consultation with the DAC members, shall submit a panel of 6-8 external examiners to the DAA, six months prior to the proposed date of submission of thesis. It is advisable to select the thesis examiners who are experts in the subject area from prestigious academic institutions/national Page 23 of 86

institutes across India (rather than having local experts) to avoid conflict of interest. The thesis will be sent to two external examiners listed in the panel approved by the academic committee. The guide also will be asked to submit an evaluation report of the thesis.

#### **12.8 Thesis Evaluation**

On the submission of PhD thesis at the DAA, it will send the thesis to the examiners. The PhD thesis will be evaluated by two external examiners and the research guide. The evaluation report submitted by the external examiners should highlight the salient features of the thesis and make a clear recommendation regarding its acceptance or rejection for the award of the PhD Degree. In case any of the three evaluators (2 external examiners and research guide) gives a recommendation against the award of the degree, the thesis will be sent to a fourth examiner for evaluation. If the report from the fourth examiner is positive, the viva-voce examination will be held. If the fourth examiner's report is also negative, the thesis will be rejected.

If the first two external examiners recommend against award of the degree, the thesis will be rejected. If a thesis is rejected, the candidate will be allowed to resubmit the thesis within one year, after addressing the issues raised by the examiners.

#### **Evaluation Report from Examiners**

Each examiner will be requested to send his/her report to the Registrar/Deputy Registrar with a copy to the Dean within one month of receipt of the thesis. The research guide may also send the report within this period. The report must contain a critical evaluation of the thesis and a clear recommendation.

In case the examiners are unable to make a definite recommendation, they may indicate one of the following alternatives: (a) Minor revision/clarifications not involving retyping of the thesis. This may be carried out and the approval of the examiner may be obtained at the time of the viva voce; or, (b) Major revision involving rewriting of one or more sections, but not involving additional research. In this case, the thesis will be sent back to the examiner.

#### Thesis Defence and Viva-voce Examination

There shall be a viva voce of the scholar in the presence of the examiners, the faculty and the students of the Institute. In instances where the thesis involves instrumentation/devices, the candidate will be expected to demonstrate them and explain their features.

The viva-voce examination will be conducted at the Institute after the thesis has been adjudged to be satisfactory. This examination, in which a 'pass' criterion is obligatory, shall be conducted by a Board that consists of: (a) The Head of the Department as the Chairman, (b) At least one of the external examiners who evaluated the thesis. (If both the examiners cannot be present for the viva-voce, the Director will appoint substitutes), and (c) Research guide.

Members of the board for viva voce should report to the Registrar /Deputy Registrar regarding whether or not the candidate's performance in the examination was satisfactory. No marks will be allotted in the viva voce examination. If the scholar fails in the viva voce examination, he/she may be permitted to appear again within 3 to 12 months (second attempt). If he/she fails in the second attempt, he/she will not be permitted to continue with the PhD program.

The members of the viva voce examination board shall forward to the Registrar/Deputy Registrar a consolidated recommendation consisting of the reports of the examiners who evaluated the thesis and the reports on the candidate's performance in the viva voce examination. Before submitting the consolidated recommendation, they must ensure that the thesis is corrected and ready for placement in its final form in the library.

# **13** Further information

For further information on the PhD program, PhD manual, coursework, approved PhD guides, standard operating procedures for the students and guides, various forms related to the PhD program may be available on accessing the following link:

https://www.sctimst.ac.in/Academic%20and%20Research/Academic/Guidelines,%20 Manuals,%20Forms/

Further information may also be obtained from:

The Registrar, Division of Academic Affairs, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram - 695011, Kerala, India. Contact telephone Nos.: (0471) 2524269, 2524289, and 2524649. Email: <u>regoffice@sctimst.ac.in</u>

Dr. S. Manikandan Associate Dean (Exams and Curriculum) Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology Thiruvananthapuram - 695011, Kerala, India. Contact No.: 9446334711 Email: <u>kanmanis@sctimst.ac.in</u>

# **IV. POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (PDF) PROGRAMS ON OFFER**

#### 1. DETAILS OF PDF PROGRAMS (Post DM/MCh/DNB)

The Institute offers a **one-year** Post-doctoral Fellowship (PDF) for those who have DM/MCh (3-year) or equivalent qualifications. The PDF provides an excellent opportunity to acquire advanced training in a sub-specialty area. The PDF programs are organized by faculty trained in the concerned subspecialty area. In addition to obtaining advanced clinical training, PDF provides opportunities to gain hands-on experience in advanced diagnostic and therapeutic techniques and high-quality research. The applicant is (<u>www.sctims</u>t.ac.in) visit the website and encouraged to directly communicate with the respective PDF program Supervisors listed below to gather more details about the program and areas of future research during the fellowship period.

#### Minimum Educational Qualification for Admission

- DM/MCh (3 years) or equivalent qualification from NMC recognized institutions.
- Registration with KSMC/TCMC.
- Residents who are in the final year of the program can apply; however, they should submit the degree certificate from the Institute/University at the time of joining, failing which the admission will be cancelled.

Application must include bio-data and a 500-word write-up on the work/ project proposed to be done. Institutional grants may be available for selected research proposals. The candidates can contact the Program Supervisor in advance to discuss the feasibility of the proposed program.

#### Letter of Reference

Applicants for PDF courses are required to submit two reference letters from specialists working in the area of application, one of which should be from the last employer/faculty member under whom the candidate had worked.

#### **Upper Age Limit**

Forty-five years (as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024), relaxable by five years for SC/ST Candidates, sponsored candidates, and for qualified Ex-service personnel with a service of not less than 5 years.

#### Method of selection

Eligible candidates can apply for one or more than one program in a department. Short-listing of the application is based on the merit of a 500-word short research project proposal and letters of reference. Short-listed candidates will be called for an open departmental interview if there are less than 10 candidates and a written examination if there are more than ten applicants, followed by a final interview. All qualified DM, MCh, DNB students can apply. The percentage of marks allotted for the departmental assessment is 75% of the total marks followed by a final interview for 25% of the total marks. The final selection for the course is based on the rank list of the candidates and the order of choice. The selected candidate should have applied for and obtained

registration with **Kerala State Medical Councils (KSMC)**/Travancore Cochin Medical Council (TCMC) at the time of admission at SCTIMST. **The following PDF positions are available for the January 2024 session.** 

	Department / Subspecialty	No. of seats	Program supervisor with email ID	Minimum educational qualification	
(i)	Department of Neu	rology		-	
	Electroencephalog raphy	One	Dr. Ramsekhar Menon Email: rsnmenon@sctimst.ac.in		
	Epilepsy	One	Dr. Ramsekhar Menon Email: rsnmenon@sctimst.ac.in	DM (3 years) or equivalent qualification	
	Movement Disorders	One	Dr. Syam K. Email: drsyam@sctimst.ac.in	from NMC recognized institutions.	
	Neuromuscular Disorders	One	Dr. Sruthi S. Nair Email: sruthisn@sctimst.ac.in		
	Stroke     One     Dr. P.N. Sylaja       Email:     sylajapn@sctimst.ac.in				
(ii)	Department of Car	diology			
	Adult Cardiology and Interventions	Two	Dr. Harikrishnan S. Email: drhari@sctimst.ac.in		
	Cardiac Electrophysiology	Two	Dr. Narayanan Namboodiri K.K. Email: kknnamboodiri@sctims t.ac.in	DM (3 years) or equivalent qualification from NMC recognized institutions.	
	Paediatric Cardiology	Two	Dr. Krishnamoorthy K.M. Email: kmkm@sctimst.ac.in		
(iii) I	Department of Neuro	surgery			
<u> </u>	Cerebrovascular Surgery Skull Base Neurosurgery	One One	Dr. Jayanand Sudhir Email: bjs@sctimst.ac.in Dr. Prakash Nair Email: prakashnair@sctimst.ac.i n	MCh (3 years) or equivalent qualification from NMC recognized institutions.	
	Spine Surgery	One	Dr. Krishnakumar K. Email: kkns@sctimst.ac.in	Post MCh	
	Functional Neurosurgery	One	Dr. George C. Vilanilam (Epilepsy Surgery) Email: gvil99@sctimst.ac.in Dr. Krishnakumar K.	Neurosurgery within 5 years of passing the MCh examination.	

			(Surgery for movement	
			disorder)	
			Email:	
			kkns@sctimst.ac.in	
(iv) D	epartment of CVTS			
	Adult Cardiac	One	Dr. Vivek V. Pillai	
	Surgery		Email: vvp@sctimst.ac.in	MCh (3 years) or equivalent qualification
	Paediatric Cardiac Surgery	One	Dr. Baiju S. Dharan Email: baijusd@sctimst.ac.in	from NMC recognized institutions.
(v) De	epartment of Anaes	thesiol	ogy	
	Pediatric cardiac Anaesthesia	Two	Dr. Thomas Koshy Email: koshy@sctimst.ac.in	DM (3 years) or equivalent qualification from NMC recognized institutions.
	Perioperative Neuromonitoring and Neurosurgical Intensive Care	One	Dr. Manikandan S. Email: kanmanis@sctimst.ac.i n	Post DM Neuroanaesthesia within 5 years of passing the DM examination.
	Adult Cardiothoracic Vascular Anaesthesia	One	Dr. Shrinivas V.G. Email: shri@sctimst.ac.in	Post DM Cardiothoracic and Vascular Anaesthesia within 5 years of passing the DM examination.

# Salary/stipend (per month in Rupees) (Except for Sponsored candidates)

Program	Duration	Scale of pay / Stipend in INR per month
PDF	01 yr	80900 +*

\*With applicable HRA, DA, and DA on TA as per institute rules

Please see page 6 for the fee structure

# **V. POSTDOCTORAL CERTIFICATE COURSES (PDCC) ON OFFER**

# **1. DETAILS OF POSTDOCTORAL CERTIFICATE COURSES (Post MD)**

The Institute offers **one-year** Post-doctoral Certificate Courses for those who have MD or equivalent qualifications.

#### The following PDCCs are available for the January 2024 session.

Name of program	Department	Duration (Year)	No. of seats	Minimum Educational Qualification
PDCC in	Transfusion	One	01	Post MD Transfusion
Transfusion	Medicine			Medicine within 5 years
Transmitted				of passing the MD
Disease Testing				examination or

				equivalent qualification
PDCC in Hospital Infection Control	Microbiology	One	01	Post MD Microbiology within 5 years of passing the MD examination equivalent qualification
PDCC in Neuropathology	Pathology	One	01	Post MD Pathology within 5 years of passing the MD examination equivalent qualification

#### **Sponsored Seats**

Institute will consider the sponsored seats as per the Institute policy as given in page 53.

#### Upper Age Limit

Forty years (as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024), relaxable by five years for SC/ST candidates, sponsored candidates, and qualified Ex-service personnel with a service of not less than 5 years.

#### Method of selection

A three-stage evaluation process is used for selecting the candidates for the PDCC programs.

- i. All candidates called for assessment should appear for a theory examination based on multiple choice questions (MCQ), half of which will be from the specialty applied for and the other half from the qualifying post-graduate specialty. The minimum mark required to pass the theory examination is 50%.
- ii. Out of the candidates who have qualified the theory examination, a merit list will be drawn up based on the marks obtained in the theory examination. From the said merit list, candidates will be selected in the order of merit for further departmental assessment - clinical, practical, and viva voce in the respective departments. The ratio of candidates selected for these will be approximately three for each available vacancy.
- iii. The candidates for the final interview will be selected in the order of merit based on aggregate marks scored for academic performance including theory and departmental assessment – clinical, practical, and viva voce.

Candidates will be notified of their provisional selection immediately after the Entrance Examination. The final announcement will carry the names of selected candidates (in serial order), and wait-listed candidates (in rank order). Selection will be purely on merit, based on the methods of assessment indicated. Separate list will be maintained for sponsored candidates from the theory entrance examination results till final selection list.

# Salary/stipend (per month in Rupees)

Program	Duration	Scale of pay / Stipend in INR per month
PDCC	01 yr	74000 +*

\*With applicable HRA, NPA, DA and DA on TA as per institute rules

Please see page 6 for the fee structure

For more details regarding post-doctoral programs, PDCC and PDFs, contact:

#### THE REGISTRAR

SCTIMST, Trivandrum, Kerala- 695011, India. Telephone: 91-471- 2524269/289/649/150 Fax: 91-471-2446433 E-mail: reg@sctimst.ac.in; Website: www.sctimst.ac.in

# VI. PG DIPLOMA/DIPLOMA/ADVANCED CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

#### **1. SPECIALITY NURSING PROGRAMS**

The Institute offers two specialty diploma programs in nursing to meet the growing demand for competent and trained nurses in super specialties. These programs are:

- (i) Diploma in Cardiovascular & Thoracic Nursing
- (ii) Diploma in Neuro Nursing.

The programs are designed to offer advanced education and clinical experience to registered nurses to prepare them as skilled bedside nurses in respective specialties including outpatients, inpatient and intensive care areas and equip them to assume leadership roles in these areas as skilled clinical nursing personnel.

#### Minimum Educational Qualifications For Admission

- a. GNM or B.Sc. Nursing.
- b. For GNM candidates, one year experience as bedside nurse after passing GNM, as of **31<sup>st</sup> December**, **2023**.
- c. Professionally registered as a nurse by any recognized State Nursing Council in India or by Nursing Boards approved by the Indian Nursing Council.

#### Upper age limit

35 years (as on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024), relaxable by 3 years for OBC candidates, 5 years for SC/ST candidates, Sponsored candidates and for qualified Exservice personnel with a service of not less than 5 years.

#### Summary of Specialty Nursing programs

Programs	No. of seats	Duration
Diploma in Cardiovascular & Thoracic Nursing	10+1	2 years
Diploma in Neuro Nursing	10+1	2 years

#### **Reservation**

Reservation will be followed as per Government of India policy.\*

		Reserved for					
Programs	UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	<b>PwD</b> (horizontal reservation)	Total Seats
Diploma in							
Cardiovascular &	5	1	1	3	1	1#	10+1
Thoracic Nursing							
Diploma in	5	1	1	3	1	0	10+1
Neuro Nursing	0	T	T	0	1	U	10.1

#Reservation will be rotated between these two courses in consecutive years

• If the reserved seats in Diploma/PG Diploma, MPH and DPH programs are found

#### **Method of Selection**

Selection will be strictly on merit on the basis of percentage of marks obtained in the common entrance examination for Cardiovascular & Thoracic Nursing and Neuro-Nursing held by the Institute. The candidates may indicate their preferred choice of the specialty in the application form. The common entrance examination will be **held in the Institute**. Based on seat availability, preference and merit obtained in the entrance examination, selection list will be finalized.

Sponsored candidates will also go through the selection process but a separate list of finally selected candidates from those who qualify in the Entrance Examination will be put up.

The minimum pass marks in the objective-type MCQ examination will be 50% for all. Relaxation in marks will be given for SC/ST/OBC (NCL) category candidates. Candidates who have qualified in the written examination will be short-listed for practical. Interview date will be published along with written test result.

Uniform for Specialty Nursing program

Female : White Churidhar set

Male : Black pants, white shirt

White half sleeve overcoat for all

During 1<sup>st</sup> year each student has to undertake a clinical nursing study project and submit the report before 31<sup>st</sup> October which is a pre-requisite for appearing for the university examination during 1<sup>st</sup> year. Eighty Five percent (85%) attendance is mandatory for appearing in the university examination.

Note: See "Special Information" (Page 37).

#### 2. PG Diploma in Cardiac Laboratory Technology

The rapid advances in science and technology have transformed cardiac medical practice from purely clinical to laboratory-oriented cardiology. This has resulted in newer investigative techniques and procedures for both diagnostic and therapeutic purposes. There is a need for training people as more hospitals strive to update the practice of cardiology. The training program will cater to the needs of those technical personnel who will be in increasing demand in the years to come. The students will be attached to the Departments of Cardiology and Clinical Engineering.

#### 3. PG Diploma in Neuro-Technology

The advent of sophisticated electronic equipment and computers has made neurophysiology a fast-developing clinical specialty. Simultaneously, the need for well-trained technicians to maintain and use these machines has become a necessity. A highly developed epilepsy program offers hands on experience in video-EEG monitoring, intra operative electro-corticography and stimulation Page 32 of 86 and brain mapping. They will be exposed to other Neurophysiological like EMC, NCV, evolved potentials, sleep studies, emergent EEGs. The students will be attached to the Department of Neurology and Clinical Engineering.

#### 4. PG Diploma in Medical Records Science

Health care records are maintained to pursue the clinical, academic, administrative and legal requirements of the hospital. The medical record is a confidential document and it is a product of privileged communication between patients and health care providers.

This academic program is designed to train candidates potentially to organize and maintain a Manual/Electronic Medical Records Department. The students will be attached to the Medical Records Department and sections of Hospital Administration.

#### 5. PG Diploma in Clinical Perfusion

This course is designed to train the candidate to become a Perfusionist who is a blood circulation specialist with a unique role in the field of cardiac surgery. Cardiac and pulmonary circulation is temporarily bypassed to facilitate a bloodless field, whereby the surgeon can perform the necessary repair inside the heart.

A Perfusionist manages the Heart- Lung Machine equipment through which venous blood from the patient is diverted, oxygenated and infused back to the patient when the mechanical action of heart is temporarily stopped. The Perfusionist is also responsible for hypothermia, total circulatory arrest etc. The patient is warmed back and weaned off the Heart Lung Machine. Student Perfusionist is required to work in the operation theatre and has to follow aseptic techniques. The students will be given clinical and theoretical training in the set up and operation of Heart Lung Machine, perfusion management, and support devices such as Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump etc. The students will be attached to the Department of CVTS.

# 6. PG Diploma in Blood Banking Technology

Rapid advances in technology have revolutionized blood transfusion services and enhanced our knowledge in Transfusion Medicine.

This has necessitated thorough selection of donors for donor and recipient safety during blood donation, extensive serological and immunehematological techniques, infectious disease screening, processing of blood into components for optimal usage and proper storage of blood and components. During the training period students will have ample 'hands-on experience' under expert guidance and supervision. There is a growing need in the State for training in this specialty owing to the acute shortage of trained personnel. During the training program, the student will have enough opportunity to be familiar with state-of-the-art equipment and access to computer and library facilities. Training is designed to equip students to meet increased demand for qualified personnel in blood banks. The students will be attached to the Department of Transfusion Medicine and Section of Hospital Administration.

#### 7. Diploma in Operation Theatre & Anaesthesia Technology

Various advances in the field of anaesthesia techniques and medical equipment used in modern operation theatres, catheterization labs and radiological suites offer great knowledge and learning experience. The course is designed to understand basic and advanced principles of anaesthesia and use of modern-day technologies that allows anaesthesiologists in the management of patients inside as well as outside the operation theaters. The safety of patients depends largely on the reliable and smooth functioning of the state-of-the-art biomedical equipment. The objective of the course is also to train candidates in the management of biomedical equipment, medical gases and hospital pipeline systems. The students will be attached to the Department of Anaesthesiology and Clinical Engineering.

#### 8. Diploma in Advanced Medical Imaging Technology

Medical Imaging Techniques have advanced tremendously in the last decade and have found widespread use in diagnostic applications. However, the scarcity of well-qualified technical personnel has always been a problem in exploiting the full potential of these techniques. The Department of Imaging Sciences & Interventional Radiology at this Institute is one of the best-equipped departments of its kind in the country.

Apart from conventional radiological facilities for outpatient radiography, tomography, myelography and so on, CT scan and Digital Subtraction Angiography (DSA) units are functioning for the last several years. A state-of-the-art Magnetic Resonance Imaging unit and a PACS system are also functional. The students will be attached to the Departments of Imaging Sciences and Interventional Radiology and Clinical Engineering.

#### 9. Advanced Certificate Programs in Physiotherapy

With the health sector fast-expanding, graduates in Physiotherapy with quality training are in great need. SCTIMST holds unmatched resources in neurological and cardiovascular sciences. This includes our highly trained and competent human resources, equipment and technology, and commitment to high-quality professional work. The Institute offers two academic Programs leading to Advanced Certificates through its Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR). These one-year programs are highly skill- based and give the opportunity for BPT graduates to gain competence in managing different neurologic and cardiovascular diseases, ward activities, research and training in the use of latest equipment and technologies of physiotherapy.

The following one-year programs are offered:

• Advanced Certificate Program in Physiotherapy in Neurological Sciences (ACP-PN)

• Advanced Certificate Program in Physiotherapy in Cardiovascular Sciences (ACP-PC)

# Stipend (per month in Rupees) (Except for Sponsored candidates)

Program	Duration	Scale of pay / Stipend in INR per month
Specialty in Nursing diploma program	Two years	1 <sup>st</sup> year - 11,440# 2 <sup>nd</sup> year - 13,350#
PG Diploma/Diploma program	Two years	1 <sup>st</sup> year - 8,580# 2 <sup>nd</sup> year - 10,490#
Advanced Certificate Programs in Physiotherapy	One year	1 <sup>st</sup> year - 6,000#

# Applicable cost of living index as per Institute Rules

#### MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR ADMISSION

#### PG Diploma in Cardiac Laboratory Technology (PGDCLT)

BSc degree of any recognized university in India with Physics as the major or ancillary subject with aggregate marks of at least 50%.

#### PG Diploma in Neuro Technology (PGDNT)

BSc Physics, Chemistry, Biological Sciences, Bio-Technology or Computer Science with aggregate marks of at least 50%.

#### PG Diploma in Medical Records Science (PGDMRS)

BSc degree of any recognized university in India with aggregate marks of at least 50%.

#### PG Diploma in Clinical Perfusion (PGDCP)

BSc degree in Zoology as main or subsidiary subject of any recognized university in India. An aggregate of at least 50% marks is required.

#### PG Diploma in Blood Banking Technology (PGDBBT)

BSc in any branch of Biological Science from a recognized university with an aggregate of at least 50% marks in these subjects.

#### Diploma in Operation Theatre & Anaesthesia Technology (DOTAT)

Diploma in Electronics/Biomedical Engineering/Instrumentation from a recognized institution with a good academic record.

#### Diploma in Advanced Medical Imaging Technology (DAMIT)

Certificate in Radiographic Assistance (CRA)/ Diploma in Radiological Technology (DRT) 2-year course or equivalent or higher qualification from a recognized institution with aggregate marks of at least 50%.

#### Advanced Certificate Programs in Physiotherapy (ACP)

Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT) (A regular in-campus four-year bachelor's degree and internship in Physiotherapy from a recognized university).

#### Upper Age Limit

25 years (as on  $1^{st}$  January 2024) relaxable by 5 years for SC/ST and sponsored candidates, 3 years for OBC candidates.

Program	UR		Reserved for						
		SC / ST	OBC	EWS	PwD	Seats			
					(horizontal reservation)				
ACP-PN	1	1	0	1#	-	<b>2</b> +1 <sup>#</sup>			
ACP-PC	1	0	1	-	-	2			
DAMIT	2	0	1*	-	-	3			
DOTAT	1	1*	0	-		2			
PGDBBT	1	0	1*	-	1#-	<b>2</b> #			
PGDCLT	2	1*	0	-	-	3			
PGDCP	1	0	1*		-	2			
PGDMRS	1	1*	0		-	2			
PGDNT	2	1*	1*	1#-	-	<b>4+1</b> <sup>#</sup>			

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(\*) – Reservation for SC/ST & OBC will rotate among the courses in consecutive years.

(#) – Reservation for EWS & PwD will be on a rotational basis between the courses.

*If the reserved seats are found vacant, they will be filled with eligible UR category candidates.* 

#### Method of Selection

Selection will be strictly on merit based on the percentage of marks obtained in the entrance examination (MCQ based exam and viva-voce held by the Institute). Sponsored candidates will also go through the procedure for selection but a separate rank list will be put up for the two categories (general and sponsored quota)

Minimum pass marks in the objective-type written examination of 90 minutes duration (100 questions) will be 50% for all. Candidates who have qualified in the written examination will be short-listed for interview.

In addition, candidates will be admitted if sponsored by the Government, Governmental Agencies or Universities.

Note: See "Special Information" on Page 37

For application procedures and important date, please see page 61 and 36.

Summary	of PG	Diploma	/Diploma	Programs
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Programs Available	Seats	Duration (Years)	Qualification
PG Diploma in Cardiac Laboratory Technology	3	2	BSc with Physics as major or ancillary with 50% aggregate.
PG Diploma in Neuro Technology	4+1	2	BSc Physics, Chemistry, Biological Sciences, Biotechnology or Computer Science with 50% aggregate.

PG Diploma in Medical	2	2	
Records Science			BSc with 50% aggregate
PG Diploma in Clinical			BSc Zoology as main or subsidiary
Perfusion	2	2	with 50% Aggregate
PG Diploma in Blood			BSc in any branch of Biological
Banking Technology	2	2	Science with 50% aggregate
Diploma in Operation			Diploma in Electronics/
Theatre & Anaesthesia	2	2	Biomedical Engineering /
Technology			Instrumentation
Diploma Advanced			CRA/DRT 2-year course or
Medical Imaging	3	2	equivalent or higher with 50%
Technology			aggregate.
Advanced Certificate			A regular in-campus four-year
Program in	2+1	1	Bachelor's degree in Physiotherapy
Physiotherapy in			(BPT) and internship in
Neurological Sciences			Physiotherapy from a recognized
			university.
Advanced Certificate			A regular in-campus four-year
Program in	2	1	Bachelor's degree in Physiotherapy
Physiotherapy in	4	T	(BPT) and internship in
Cardiovascular Sciences			Physiotherapy from a recognized
			university.

# IMPORTANT DATES FOR PDF, DIPLOMA & PG DIPLOMA PROGRAMS FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION – JANUARY 2024

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Post-doctoral fellowship- PDF (Post-DM/MCh/DNB)	The selection interview will be conducted at SCTIMST between 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 and 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2023. All applicants are requested to visit the online application portal as well as the Institute website <u>'www.sctimst.ac.in</u> ' for updates. Intimation regarding hall ticket will be sent to the registered email id of the applicant only.	
Type of Objective Questions / Marking Scheme Correct Answer	Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) /One mark (+)1 for correct answer (No negative marks for Wrong answers/ Marked for Review/ Not Answered questions)	
Method of resolving ties	The tie case will be resolved according to age (Date of birth), the older candidate shall get preference over the younger one.	

**Departmental assessment/Interview:** The date and time for departmental assessment/interview will be intimated along with the online exam result put up in the website.

The final selection list will be put up immediately after the interview. No electronic gadgets including cell phones/watches etc., will be allowed in the examination hall.

The candidates need to strictly follow the instructions given in the Hall Ticket Any candidate found to have provided false information or done malpractice during exams will be disqualified.

\*- MD/DM/MCh admission will be done through INI-CET/INI-SS

# Hostel accommodation

Candidates selected (except sponsored) will be provided accommodation as per rules and availability. It is mandatory for Junior/Senior Residents to occupy PG Quarters/Hostel, as the case may be, once it is allotted to them. No HRA will be paid to any occupants once an accommodation has been allotted to them, irrespective of whether they occupy the allotted accommodation or not. Electricity and Water charges may be levied proportionally from the inmates if they are in single/double/sharing/Family accommodation. DM/MCh and MD residents will be given preference for the accommodation as per their date of admission. The DM/MCh and MD residents will be given eligible accommodation as either family accommodation, or a single room accommodation.

If eligible accommodation is not available, HRA will be given only for the duration they are waitlisted till an eligible accommodation is allotted. PDF residents will be given accommodation in the NFH. If accommodation is not available, HRA will be provided.

# **Course Content**

The training is strictly full-time and continuous. The candidates at the time of admission will be provided with a handbook covering the syllabus, training program and the examination scheme. They should acquaint themselves with the syllabus prescribed for the course to which they are admitted. They should strictly adhere to the rules and regulations of the Institute.

## **Contract Service**

All students and Senior Residents selected for various programs are required to execute a bond of service for a duration depending upon the length of the program. Admission will be denied to candidates who fail to join or submit the contract bond by the date stipulated in the letter of selection. Private practice in any form during the pendency of the program is strictly prohibited.

# Bond to be Executed

All those selected for MD/DM/MCh courses under the general category need to furnish a bond for rupees fifty lakhs. Concerned defaulter shall be liable to pay an amount of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs), if decided to discontinue the course after the last date of closure of admission by INI-SS/INI-CET. The last date of closure of admission will be announced in the institute website (www.sctimst.ac.in) as well as it will be intimated to the candidates at the time of admission.

All students newly enrolled for PDCC programs, Diploma/PG Diploma are expected to execute a bond agreeing to remit an amount equivalent to six months stipend if they discontinue the program and leave the Institute **after** 

# 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024.

All the students, residents, Fellows admitted to various programs needs to undertake an 'Anti-ragging affidavit' given in annexure.

# **Duties and Responsibilities**

Duties and responsibilities of students and Senior Residents shall be fixed by the Institute from time to time and will include such clinical work as may be essential for patient care and professional training.

#### **Medical Fitness**

The selection will be provisional until the candidate is declared medically fit by a Medical Board appointed by the Institute. The candidate should declare all illness connected with his/her health and should certify that he/ she is fit to undergo the rigorous program that he/she is joining. The opinion of the Medical Board shall be final.

#### **Commencement of Academic Session**

The session commences on 1st January, 2024. Selected candidates will

report on this date with all necessary original documents, the verification of which is mandatory for confirmation of admission.

Senior Residents and students will be assessed at the end of six months after admission for their academic ability, desire for training, acquisition of competence, commitment to patient care, interpersonal relationship and so on. Those with low scores will be given a chance to improve in the next three months and, if found unsatisfactory, the candidate's registration in SCTIMST will be terminated.

Attendance on the last working day of the program, normally **31<sup>st</sup> December** will be compulsory, except in extraordinary situations.

Please refer the syllabus and curriculum for details regarding other mandatory requirements.

#### Last date of admission

As per the prospectus (part A) given by INI-SS/INI-CET for DM/MCh/MD Residents.

#### Leave

All Senior (Sr.) Residents are eligible for twenty-four days casual leave in first year and thirty days casual leave in second and third year, respectively. Sr. Residents cannot avail more than 15 days of entitled leave at a stretch.

## Maternity Leave

Female Sr. Residents with less than two surviving children, can avail a maximum of 180 days maternity leave once during the entire course of their study and will be eligible for salary for that period.

#### Evaluation

For specialty nursing programs, the external examination will be conducted at the end of the first year and for other Diploma/PG Diploma programs at the end of the second year.

# **Contact for further details:**

# THE REGISTRAR

SCTIMST, Trivandrum Kerala-695011, India. Telephone: 91-471-2524269/649/289/150 Fax: 91-471-2550728 e-mail: <u>reg@sctimst.ac.in</u> Website<u>: www.sctimst.ac.in</u>

# VII. PhD PROGRAM

Promoting interdisciplinary research, the Institute offers PhD program in the following major research areas:

#### **Physical Sciences**

Biophotonics, plasma coating, Nano biotechnology, Bioimaging, Biomedical and Biomaterial sciences.

#### **Chemical Sciences**

Polymer synthesis and characterization, Polymer processing, Smart polymers, Interpenetrating polymer networks, Dental polymers, Surface modification of polymeric devices, Radiopaque polymers.

## **Biological Sciences/Biomedical Sciences**

Biochemistry, Cell Biology, Cellular and Molecular Cardiology, Neurobiology, Microbial Technology, Pathology, Physiology, Toxicology, Thrombosis, Implant Biology, Tissue Engineering & Regenerative Technologies, Adult stem cells & Regenerative medicine, 3-D Construction of Tissue substitutes.

## Bioengineering

Artificial Organs, Biosensors, Bioinstrumentation, Medical Device Technology, Functional neuroimaging, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Medical image processing.

# **Biomaterial Science and Technology**

Bioceramics, Dental materials, Material tissue interactions, Drug delivery & sensing, Biomedical polymers, Scaffolds for tissue engineering.

# Health Sciences (Full Time & Part Time)

Epidemiology, Gender issues in Health, Health Policy, Heath Management, Health Systems, Public Health Informatics, GIS in Public Health.

#### **Medical Sciences**

Neuro Sciences, Cardiac Sciences, Imaging Sciences and Interventional Radiology.

#### Admission

The selection for PhD will be carried out **twice** in a calendar year, **in June and November for July and January sessions, respectively.** The availability of research guides will be notified in the Institute website **<u>www.sctimst.ac.in.</u>** The July selection is restricted to fellowship holders and MPhil (Biomedical Technology-SCTIMST) degree holders only.

Part-time registration for the PhD program is available in Health Sciences at AMCHSS. External or part-time registration is not available for the PhD programs in other areas.

#### Minimum Educational Qualifications for Admission

**Physical Sciences:** Post graduate degree in Physics (All branches)

**Chemical Sciences:** Post graduate degree in Chemistry (All branches)

**Biological Sciences/Biomedical Sciences:** Post graduate degree in any branch of Life Sciences (Physiology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Zoology, Bioinformatics, Plant sciences etc.) / dentistry/veterinary science.

**Bioengineering:** Post graduate degree in Polymer Engineering/ Technology, Material Science, Biomedical Engineering, Instrumentation Engineering, Biotechnology, Clinical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Electrical & Electronics Engineering, Computer Science or Information Technology or any other Post Graduate Engineering degree holders whose research work is feasible at SCTIMST.

**Biomaterial Science and Technology:** MPhil (Biomedical Technology), Post graduate degree in Physics, Chemistry, Polymer Chemistry, Polymer Science, Material Science, Biotechnology or Veterinary Science.

Health Sciences: Post graduate degree in Modern Medicine, Public Nursing, Health. Dentistry, Veterinary Sciences, Demography, Economics, Sociology, Social Work, Political Science, Business Management (MBA), Public Administration, and Statistics. Other post graduate degrees may be approved by the Academic Committee after examining the merits of the suggestion.

#### Minimum marks required to apply:

Consistently good academic record with 60% (CGPA 6.5/10) marks in undergraduate and post graduate degree examinations. The applicants with degree in modern medicine, 60% marks for the postgraduate degree is not mandatory. Relaxation in marks will be given for reserved category candidates as per Govt. of India norms.

**Medical Sciences:** MBBS degree from any university recognized by National Medical Commission/ erstwhile Medical Council of India (MCI). Candidates should have completed one year compulsory rotating internship or its equivalent as recognized by NMC/MCI after passing the final year MBBS examination. Candidates should have full registration with a State Medical Council. Candidates with Post Graduate Medical qualifications (MD/MS/DNB) can also apply but no special reservation or preference will be given. Applicants should have 55% of marks in MBBS Degree and need to be holders of National Level fellowship from

## UGC/CSIR/ICMR.

Candidates should not have made more than 2 attempts to pass the MBBS program.

The selected candidate should have applied for and obtained registration with **Kerala State Medical Councils (KSMC)**/Travancore Cochin Medical Council (TCMC) at the time of admission at SCTIMST.

Available areas in Medical Sciences:

- (a) Neuro sciences
- (b) Cardiac Sciences and
- (c) Imaging Sciences & Interventional Radiology.

## Method of selection

The selection of research scholars will be based on their performance in the written test and interview. Individual JRF holders (UGC, CSIR, ICMR and DBT) or MPhil (Biomedical Technology) degree holders of SCTIMST are exempted from the written test, and their selection will be based on interview only. Individual KSCSTE JRF, INSPIRE holders have to qualify in the written test and interview of this Institute.

Candidates awarded Senior Research Fellowships (SRF) from other sources (KSCSTE, UGC, CSIR, ICMR, etc.) have to qualify in the written test and interview conducted by the Institute.

Candidates must upload a **Research Proposal** (about 1000 words) and a **Statement of Purpose for undertaking a research career** (about 300 to 500 words) while submitting their application.

The Institute reserves its right to shortlist candidates based on the academic merit and scientific records of the applicants and the availability of research guides every year.

## Number of seats and reservation

PhD registration is not guaranteed for the candidates who are selected for admission. Selected candidates are expected to interact with the recognized guides of the Institute and discuss with them regarding their research interest. A guide may accept a student based on the availability of slot, his/her areas of specialization, research interest of the student, availability of research grants and financial support available for the student. Adequate measures will be taken during the selection process to ensure representation of students from the reserved categories in the selection list. Candidates belong to reservation category are advised to contact the student reservation cell/nodal officer for scholarships at SCTIMST for more information about other schemes.

#### Duration of the PhD program

The minimum duration is three years and maximum duration is five years with possible two extensions of six months each. In extraordinary circumstances, extraordinary extension will be given with separate fee payment.

## Fellowships

## 1) SCTIMST PhD Fellowship

**<u>Six</u>** Institute Fellowships at the DST approved rates are available each year for a maximum period of five years, of which <u>one fellowship is</u> reserved for basic science (non-clinical and para-clinical) subjects such as Pathology/ Microbiology/ Biochemistry/ Transfusion Medicine. If there are no eligible candidates for the above-reserved seat, this fellowship will be given to other eligible candidate in the same academic year.

# 2) Fellowships for Scheduled Tribe category candidates

Total four fellowships are available for candidates belonging to ST category. The support includes <u>monthly scholarship</u>, <u>contingency grant</u>, <u>research</u> <u>support for purchase of chemicals</u>, <u>laptop</u>, <u>travelling allowance</u>, <u>registration</u> <u>fee for attending conferences</u>, <u>and expenses related to paper publication</u>. The Fellowships will be available for those who are admitted to PhD program at SCTIMST only. Fellowships will be for a maximum period of 5 years as per the rules of the Institute.

# Minimum marks required to apply for ST category fellowship:

Consistently good academic record with 55% marks in undergraduate and post graduate degree examinations. The applicants with Degree in Modern Medicine, 55% marks for Post Graduate Degree is not necessary.

#### Method of selection

The selection of research scholars will be based on the performance in the written test and interview.

Candidates must upload a **Research Proposal** (about 1000 words) and a **Statement of Purpose for undertaking a research career** (about 300 to 500 words) while submitting their application.

The Institute reserves its right to short list candidates based on the academic merit and scientific records of the applicants and availability of research guides every year.

#### Number of fellowships and reservation

Total six institute fellowship and four ST category fellowships are available, however, PhD registration is not guaranteed for the candidates

who are selected for admission. Selected candidates are expected to interact with the recognized guides of the Institute and discuss with them regarding their research interest. A guide may accept a student based on the availability of slot, his/her areas of specialization, research interest of the student, availability of research grants and financial support available for the student. Candidates belonging to reservation category are advised to contact the student reservation cell/nodal officer for scholarships at SCTIMST for more information about the fellowship.

Description	JRF	SRF (Assessment after two years)	
Duration	1 - 2 years	3 - 5 years	
Fellowship	Rs. 31,000/- p.m.	Rs. 35,000/- p.m.	
HRA	As per Institute rules		
Contingency	Rs.20,000/- per year		
Research support	Rs.1,00,000/- per year		
TA/Regn. fee for attending conferences/ paper publication	Rs.1,00,000/- (for 5 years)		
Purchase of Lap top (Lap top will be institute property)	Rs.1,00,000/-		

#### Monthly Fellowship & other benefits for ST category fellowship

#### Bond to be executed

All newly enrolled PhD **students under SCTIMST Fellowship** are expected to execute a bond to remit an amount equivalent to six months fellowship or the whole amount of fellowship received, whichever is higher, if they discontinue the program and leave the Institute **after one month from their date of joining (Bond format is attached, Annexure V).** 

The list of approved guides and their areas of research interest is available

at:[https://www.sctimst.ac.in/Academic%20and%20Research/Ac ademic/Guidelines,%20Manuals,%20Forms/resources/PhD\_Guid es\_list\_Current.pdf

# **Internal Candidates Applying for PhD Registration - Admission Process**

## a) Academic Faculty Members

- 1) Any academic faculty member whose probation has been declared may register for the PhD program of the Institute.
- 2) All faculty members need to write the entrance exam and attend the interview for the same to qualify for registration to the PhD program.
- 3) These faculty members will be termed as internal candidates.
- 4) Total duration of PhD program will be three to seven years.

# Appointment of external guides for in-service employees

- a. Any academic faculty of BMT Wing whose probation has been declared may register for the PhD program of the Institute with an external guide from an IIT or NIT or other national Institutes, provided eligible guides are absent in SCTIMST in the field of research.
- b. These employees may select guides from the above institutes and the list of guides has to be approved by the Academic Committee of SCTIMST.
- c. It is mandatory that the PhD work has to be done at SCTIMST and the area of research is in line with SCTIMST's mandate for research and development.
- d. These faculties should also have an approved guide of SCTIMST as Co-guide to monitor the progress of the work.
- e. In the cases where the permanent internal faculty has been reappointed through direct recruitment to a higher post, the past permanent employment and completion of probation in the lower post would be adequate to apply for PhD program.
- f. Funds provided for Institute work should not be diverted for thesis work. These employees should satisfy all the requirements of the Institute for the award of PhD degree.

# Age limit

There is no age limit for admission to the PhD Program.

Fee structure - Refer page no.6.

#### PhD Manual

For all details, please refer to the PhD manual (General), PhD manual (Health Sciences) & SOP for students available in our website <a href="http://www.sctimst.ac.in">www.sctimst.ac.in</a>

(http://sctimst.ac.in/Academic%20and%20Research/Academic/Guideli nes,%20Manuals,%20Forms/)

The candidates registered for PhD program at SCTIMST have the opportunity to do the research work at BMT wing/AMCHSS/Hospital wing.

# **BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY (BMT) WING**

# Objectives

Promotion of Biomedical Engineering and Technology and development of post-graduate training programs of the highest quality in this area.

The present vision of the wing is to:

- Develop technologies which are competitive in the international market
- Carry out research in frontier areas of health care technology
- Provide testing support conforming to national/international standards

A team of scientists, engineers and technical staff work here in multidisciplinary areas, ranging from biomaterials development and characterization to medical devices development, evaluation and technology transfer. Over the last four decades, a number of products have been successfully developed and commercialized, catalyzing the growth of the medical device industry in India.

In the current context of globalization, a quality management system for its testing services conforming to ISO/IEC 17025 has been implemented, enabling international acceptance of test results. This system is now accredited by *Le Comite francais d'accreditation* (COFRAC) of France.

High quality research and publications have led to peer recognition as a valued scientific research institution nationally and internationally. This has resulted in many international collaborative research programs.

# **Research Opportunities and facilities**

Biomedical Technology Wing aims to bring advances in research outcomes of the laboratory into the clinical setting to benefit patients at the earliest opportunity. The exceptional infrastructure facilitated on the campus underpins biomedical research and enables advances to improve patient care. Institute has focused on creating resources to develop technologies that are cost-effective, accessible and responsive to the clinical needs of our population.

The material research group has a proven record of research towards synthesis and characterization of biomedical polymers, their characterization and testing for biocompatibility to qualify the material for medical applications. The engineering & device development group has successfully developed and commercialized critical products which include blood bag, artificial heart valve, and oxygenator.

Major programs include development of materials for orthopedic and dental applications, cardiovascular device fabrication, drug delivery systems, nano- medicine, sensors and tissue engineering scaffolds. Biological research focuses on the culture and differentiation of adult stem cells for regenerative medicine, *in vitro* tissue engineering and development of bio therapeutics and diagnostic reagents.

Sophisticated analytical equipment are available in the campus for characterization of materials which include scanning and transmission electron microscopes, Raman & FT-Raman spectroscope, atomic force microscope, ICP, X-ray diffraction, micro computerized tomography, chromatography systems such as HPLC, gas chromatography and LCMS. Other routinely used and well- maintained equipment and facilities are available in all labs.

Important biological research equipment available are confocal microscope, environmental SEM, 3D bioprinting of tissues, 3D bioprinter, fluorescent activated cell sorter (FACS), Real Time PCR, ultra centrifuge and continuous flow centrifuge, Imaging systems for fluorescence/ luminescence/ radioisotope detection, live cell imaging, and facilities for proteomic and genomic analysis etc. apart from routinely used equipment that are available in almost all labs. Excellent cell culture and analysis facilities are present in almost all cell biology research labs.

The well maintained small and large animal experimental facility with excellent animal operating rooms provides the *in vivo* evaluation support. Toxicological evaluation of materials is done under GLP compliance. Tissue analysis is done to evaluate the results of experimental research using state-of-the-art histological/ immunochemical/imaging techniques facilitated with sophisticated sample processing and analysis tools.

Above all, BMT wing harness the academic and technological expertise of its multidisciplinary research faculty to conduct high-quality, patientfocused translational research. This involves taking research from the laboratory to the patient's bedside.

# ACHUTHA MENON CENTRE FOR HEALTH SCIENCE STUDIES (AMCHSS)

AMCHSS, the Public Health and Health Sciences Wing of Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology is devoted to Public Health, and Social Sciences in relation to health care and development. It started the Master of Public Health (MPH) Program in January 1997, PhD Program in 2003 and Diploma in Public Health (DPH) in 2005. Central to its mission are:

- 1) Educating students to assume leadership roles in public health policy and practice;
- 2) Advancing knowledge of the social, biological, economic and behavioral dimensions of health and to perform costing, costefficiency, and epidemiological studies and policy analysis; and

3) To provide technical expertise and consultancy service on public health issues to the public, NGO and the private sector. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India has accepted this Centre as a "Centre of Excellence for Public Health Training".

There are part-time and full-time PhD program in Health Sciences. The part-time registration for the PhD program is only available in Health Sciences at AMCHSS, not in other areas. There is no External or part-time Registration for the PhD program in any other areas. PhD program is conducted at all three wings of SCTIMST.

# VIII. MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)

## The objectives of the Master of Public Health course are:

- 1. To provide a broad understanding of the core areas of public health and related disciplines
- 2. To develop through a field-intense practical training program the individual ability to identify a health problem and conceptualize the related research questions, design a community-based study to investigate the problem, collect relevant data from the field, analyze the data and present the findings in a policy or scientific context.
- 3. To help acquire knowledge and skills to analyze health situations and help devise appropriate policies and programs in a cost-effective manner.
- 4. To inculcate inter disciplinary approach to problem solving skills in public health.

#### Duration

The program is a 24-month full time residential course commencing on the **first July** every year. This has been designed to build understanding, knowledge, skills and attitude for better public health practice and research.

# Minimum Educational Qualifications for Admission

Medical graduates (MBBS), Dental graduates (BDS), Graduates of AYUSH(BAMS,BNYS, BUMS, BSMS, BHMS), BTech or BE (Any Branch) and graduates of four-year degree programs in veterinary/Nursing sciences, Bachelor of Physiotherapy, Bachelor of Occupational Therapy, Bachelor of Pharmacy, or students with a postgraduate degree in Statistics/Biostatistics, Demography, Population Studies, Nutrition, Sociology, Economics, Psychology, Anthropology, Social Work, Management or Law. "Work experience in a health-related field is desirable.

**Age**: 40 years as on **1**<sup>st</sup> **July 2024**.

Age relaxation can be given in exceptional cases.

Total no of seats: 25+3 (Reservation will be followed as per Govt. of India norms)

Course	Open seats	Reserved for				Total	
	scats	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	PwD (horizontal reservation)	
MPH	13	4	2	6	3	1	25+3

# Method of selection

## Indian students

Prospective candidates will be evaluated based on the basis of educational qualifications, professional experience in the areaof public health, written test and interview. Overseas candidates have to provide certification for proficiency in English.

## **Overseas students**

Selection will be based on educational qualifications, professional experience, assessments made by the sponsoring organizations and a telephonic interview. Applicants are required to submit two reference letters in sealed envelopes from experts in the field of Public Health along with the application form. Foreign national must apply through the Indian Council of Cultural Relations & the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi.

Fee Structure (please see fee structure in page 6): The course fee includes registration fee, examination fee, tuition fee, library fee and charges for the computer lab.

The course fee does not include the cost of books, stationery, field trips, dissertation, etc.

**Accommodation:** Only limited numbers of rooms are available at BMT wing for the MPH Scholars. Preference shall be given to candidates from outside the state. Many students might need to find own accommodation.

# IX. DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH (DPH)

This is envisaged to provide capacity building in public health for doctors working with various State or Central Government Departments or agencies. MBBS doctors working with Government Agencies having at least three years of work experience are considered for the course.

Duration: One Year (from July 2024 to June 2025)

**Minimum Experience required:** Three years in Government service after MBBS.

#### Age Limit: Up to 50 years as on 01-07-2024

**Maximum number of seats**: 10 + 1 (Reservation will be followed as per Govt. of India norms).

Course	Open		Reserved for				Total
	seats	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	PwD	
						(horizontal	
						reservation)	
DPH	5	1	1	3	1	1	10+1

**Selection:** If there are more than 10 applications, selection will be based on the performance in written test and interview to be conducted at this Institute.

#### Medium of Instruction: English

**Fee Structure:** (please see fee structure in page no.6). The course fee includes registration fee, examination fee, tuition fee, charges for computer lab and does not include the cost of books, stationery, field trips, project work and so on.

**Accommodation:** Candidates eligible for admission may find their own accommodation.

#### **COMMON FACILITIES FOR MPH & DPH STUDENTS**

**Computer lab**: MPH & DPH Students have access to a state-of-the-art computer laboratory equipped with e-mail and internet facilities.

**Equipment for Class Presentations**: Video Projector (LCD), Over Head Projector and Slide Projector are available for class presentations.

**Library:** There is a good professional research and reference library with a substantial collection of books and journals on Public Health.

#### a. PHD IN HEALTH SCIENCES (FULL TIME AND PART-TIME)

Part-time registration for the PhD program is available only in the Health Sciences conducted at AMCHSS. There is no external or part-time registration for the PhD program in any other areas. Please refer PhD program section (page No. 40) for more details. For information on fee structure refer to page No. 6. For further details, contact:

#### THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR

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# SPONSORED CANDIDATES (for all Programs)

Candidates will be considered as "sponsored" only when they are financially supported by the Government, Governmental agencies or Universities.

• For MD/DM/MCh Programs: The selection of the candidates for the course is through the counseling based on the rank list of the entrance examination of the INI-SS (Institutes of national Importance-Super specialty) or INI-CET (Institutes of national Importance-Common Entrance Test) conducted by the AIIMS, New Delhi and further verification of certificates and other credentials/documents by SCTIMST. For further details on the entrance exam, admission and selection process, please visit the following website: http://www.aiimsexams.ac.in.

Application must be through proper channel and submit a "No Objection Certificate" from their employer along with their application forms. Government orders regarding sponsorship conditions with financial support must be submitted at the time of admission. The decision of the Institute regarding the eligibility of sponsorship shall be final.

- 1. Sponsored seats are available in all programs at SCTIMST as mentioned above.
- 2. All eligible sponsored candidates seeking admission will have to appear in the entrance examination and go through the process of selection as envisaged for all.
- 3. International candidates may be considered as sponsored candidates if sponsored by their government/governmental agencies and found to be eligible for admission as per the Medical Council of India/National Medical Commission
- 4. No other type of preference will be given to sponsored candidates.

Sponsored candidates are eligible for seven days Leave-on-duty for attending national conferences/workshops/seminars. They are not eligible for stipend/salary from the Institute, accommodation, HRA, medical reimbursement, travel grant, TA/DA and registration fee for conferences, etc.

The number of sponsored candidates in any course will not exceed 50% of the number of seats in the general quota.

# **FOREIGN NATIONALS (for all Programs)**

The Institute accepts foreign nationals for various courses but *there is no reservation of seats for foreign nationals*. Foreign nationals shall be considered as sponsored candidates (need to be sponsored by their government/governmental agencies and found to be eligible for admission as per the Medical Council of India/National Medical

Commission (NMC).

**For MD/DM/MCh Programs**: Admission to the program will be based on the rank list in the entrance examination (INI-SS/INI-CET). They will be considered as sponsored category as per the rules and regulations mentioned under 'Sponsored Category'.

Foreign nationals are required to apply through the Indian Council of Cultural Relations & the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi. It is advised that all international students take a medical insurance policy to meet the expenses of medical treatments during their course tenure at SCTIMST. A copy of the said insurance policy should be submitted at the time of the final admission.

Registration of foreign medical degree to Kerala State Medical Councils (KSMC)/Travancore - Cochin Medical Councils (TCMC) needs to be obtained at the time of admission for MD/DM/MCh Programs.

#### JOINT PROGRAMS of SCTIMST, IIT MADRAS AND CMC VELLORE 1. MTech (Clinical Engineering)

# 2. PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology)

## Introduction

Over the last five decades, healthcare delivery has increasingly become technology-driven - be it diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of patients in the hospitals, or the development of new drugs, vaccines and medical devices. Today India imports almost 80% of the implants and devices used in our country. As a result, healthcare costs are high and continue to increase. To address this issue, a twofold strategy is needed. Firstly, it is required to set up the infrastructure and have trained human resources for indigenous technology development. Secondly, it is necessary to develop human resources for ensuring efficient and effective utilization of the technology at the healthcare delivery points - i.e., mainly in the hospitals.

The three institutions - IIT Madras, CMC Vellore, and SCTIMST Trivandrum, each having a set of unique strengths and facilities, have joined together in starting two programs - "MTech in Clinical Engineering" and "PhD in Biomedical Devices & Technology" to address the issue of capacity building for reducing India's dependence on imports of medical devices. A unique feature of these courses is the clinical attachment with maximum exposure to the clinical environment. This ensures that, at the end of the course, the students will be able to interact effectively with the clinicians, and other medical and paramedical staff in the hospital resulting in the identification of 'unmet clinical needs'. This is also expected to trigger further research leading to the development of innovative indigenous healthcare technology.

#### Admission

# (1) MTech (Clinical Engineering)

**Aim:** To train engineers to manage and ensure safe and effective use of technology in hospitals and healthcare delivery settings.

**Duration:** Two years (rotation through all the three institutions).

**Eligibility:** BE/BTech recognized four-year course; on the basis of GATE subject (AE, CE, CH, EC, EE, IN, ME, MN, MT, PI, TF, XE) and score.

**Selection**: Screening test and personal interview will be conducted by IIT, Madras. (**www.biotech.iitm.ac.in**)

# (2) PhD (Biomedical Devices and Technology)

**Aim:** To build leaders who can contribute to: (a) immediate specific needs of industries, R & D laboratories, hospitals, etc., (b) to be innovators and entrepreneurs in Biomedical Devices and Technology.

**Duration:** According to the current requirements of IIT Madras. (www.biotech.iitm.ac.in)

**Eligibility:** ME/MTech/MS(Engg.) with the same eligibility conditions for IITM PhD entrance/ MSc Physics.

**Selection:** Screening test and personal interview will be conducted by IIT, Madras.

**Hostel:** Hostel facilities are available in all the three Institutions.

## Stipend: As per IIT Madras norms.

Fees Structure: (to be paid for the period required at BMT Wing, SCTIMST):

A) FEES FOR THE JOINT PROGRAM - MTech (CE) AT SCTIMST

S1. No.	Items of Fees & Deposits	Amount (INR)
А.	One-time fees	
1.	Admission fees	1,000
2.	Registration Enrolment Fee	300
3.	Caution Deposit (refundable)	10,000
<u>4.</u> 5.	Certificate fees	1,000
5.	Student Welfare Fund	500
6.	Identity Card	220
7.	Medical Exam Fee	100
	Total	13,120
	Refundable	10,000
В.	Semester fees	
1.	Tuition fee *	5,000
2.	Examination fee	300
3.	Library & Internet	500
	Total	5,800
С.	Hostel Fees	
1.	Hostel Admission fee	250
2.	Hostel room rent (1500 x6)	9,000
3.	Hostel Caution Deposit (refundable)	1,000
	Total	10,250
	Refundable	1,000

\* SC/ST students/scholars are exempted from payment of Tuition fee irrespective of their parental income.

#### B) FEES FOR PhD JOINT PROGRAM (BIOMEDICAL DEVICES AND TECHNOLOGY)

The same fee as the regular PhD program of SCTIMST for the period required at BMT Wing (please see the fee structure on page 6).

#### **CO-ORDINATORS:**

# SCTIMST: Dr. Roy Joseph

Scientist – G (Sr. Gr.), Division of Polymeric Medical Devices, SCTIMST, BMT Wing, Poojappura, Trivandrum -695 012. Kerala. Tel: 0471-2520275, E-mail: <u>rjoseph@sctimst.ac.in</u>

#### IIT Madras: Prof. Arun K. Thittai Professor, Department of Applied Mechanics (Biomedical Group) MSB 232A, Indian Institute of Technology Madras Chennai-600036, Tamil Nadu State Tel: 044-22574053, Email: <u>akthittai@iitm.ac.in</u>

#### CMC Vellore: Prof. Sivakumar Balasubramanian

Head, Department of Bioengineering Christian Medical College Bagayam, Vellore-632002 Tel: 0416-2285098, E-mail: siva82kb@cmcvellore.ac.in

For Application forms/number of seats/course fee etc., please visit the website of IIT, Madras, Chennai **(www.biotech.iitm.ac.in)**.

#### For further enquiries please contact:

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# AFFILIATED PROGRAMS OF SCTIMST CONDUCTED AT:

## 1) NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF EPIDEMIOLOGY, CHENNAI

The National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE), ICMR School of Public Health, Chennai, which is an institution under the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) is offering a **Master of Public Health (Epidemiology and Health Systems)** under the affiliated program of SCTIMST. The course commences on 1<sup>st</sup> July every year. The duration of the course is two years. The program is structured on a "learning by doing" model comprising four contact sessions across 13 months at NIE interspersed and with three field postings of 11 months duration (24 months duration in total).

# Eligibility

Applicants having the following criteria will be eligible to apply for the course:

- MBBS degree recognized by the Medical Council of India
- Three year's experience in public health-related activities after MBBS
- Age up to 45 years of on the date of commencement of the course (1st of July every year)

#### Method of selection: Please refer to the information brochure of NIE, Chennai For more details, please contact:

THE DIRECTOR	THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR		
National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE) R-	Division of Academic Affairs		
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Website: www.nie.gov.in	Website: www.sctimst.ac.in		

# 2) CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE (CMC), VELLORE

The following affiliated programs of SCTIMST are offered at the Christian Medical College, Vellore.

- a) Master of Science (MS) Bioengineering
- b) PhD in Bioengineering / Biomedical Sciences/Health Sciences
- c) Master of Public Health

#### Eligibility

# a) MS Bioengineering applicants should have:

i. An undergraduate degree in engineering, preferably electrical, electronic,

mechanical, computer science or equivalent.

ii. A qualifying GATE score is required.

## b) PhD in Bioengineering applicants should have:

- i. An undergraduate degree in engineering, preferably electrical, electronics, mechanical, computer Science or equivalent, and a Master's degree in Engineering preferably Bioengineering, Biomedical Engineering, Electrical, Electronics, Mechanical or equivalent.
- ii. A qualifying GATE score is required.
- iii. Some exposure to college level Biology or Biomedical Research.

## c) PhD in Biomedical Sciences applicants should have:

The qualification as per the criteria given above for PhD in Biological Sciences/ Biomedical Sciences stream.

#### d) PhD in Health Sciences applicants should have: Qualification as per the criteria given above for PhD in Health Sciences stream.

## e) Master of Public Health

**Who can apply:** Medical graduates (MBBS), Dental graduates (BDS), Graduates of AYUSH (BAMS, BNYS, BUMS, BSMS, BHMS), BTech or BE (Any Branch) and graduates of four-year degree programs in Veterinary/Nursing sciences, Bachelor of Physiotherapy, Bachelor of Occupational Therapy, Bachelor of Pharmacy, or students with a postgraduate degree in Statistics/Biostatistics, Demography, Population Studies, Nutrition, Sociology, Economics, Psychology, Anthropology, Social Work, Management or Law." Work experience in a health- related field is desirable.

Core course subjects will be taught in the first year (60 credits). Teaching methods will include didactic lectures, assignments, exercises, community work for data collection, analysis and visit to public health/administrative facilities

#### Admissions:

Application to MS and MPH programs is usually advertised at CMC, Vellore in February, and candidates must apply before the end of April. An interview of short-listed candidates will be called in June to select suitable candidates. Term starts in the last week of July.

#### **Duration of course:**

MS Bioengineering - two years

PhD in Bioengineering / Biomedical sciences – Normally three years, extendable up to five years.

PhD Life Sciences needs to follow the rules/regulations specified in the PhD manual (General)/Admission Notifications / SOP for students.

Master of Public Health - two years

Apply to CMC Vellore and selection tests /interview will be held there.

For Admission and Further Details, Please Contact:				
For MS & PhD in Bioengineering:	For MPH program:			
<b>Prof. Sivakumar Balasubramanian</b> Head, Department of Bioengineering Christian Medical College Bagayam, Vellore-632002 Tel: 0416-2285098 E-mail: siva82kb@cmcvellore.ac.in	<b>Prof. Vinod Abraham</b> Head, Dept. Community Health Christian Medical College, Vellore E-mail: chad@cmcvellore.ac.in			
The Deputy Registrar				
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Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology				
Trivandrum – 695011				
Tel: (0471) 2520440, 2524140				
E-mail: dreg@s	ctimst.ac.in			

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Application form and application fee to be submitted through ONLINE MODE ONLY (Website: <u>www.sctimst.ac.in</u>).

All bank charges are to be borne by the applicant.

Application Fee (In Rupees)

PDCC/PDF: 2000 (1600 for SC/ST candidates)PhD/MPH/DPH: 1500 (1200 for SC/ST candidates)Diploma/PG Diploma/Advanced certificate courses : 800 (640 for SC/ST candidates)

The hard copy of the duly signed online generated application form along with original and self-attested copies of the certificates proving age, essential qualifications, Medical/Nursing council registration certificate, proof of caste certificate; if eligible for reservation, No objection certificate; if employed, proof of fee payment and other relevant documents are to be produced at the time of admission.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read the instructions available on the website before filling out the application form.

2. Fill up the Application Form online carefully.

- 3. If you are an employee of a State or Central Government or Public Sector Undertaking, No objection certificate should be obtained from the employer prior to the submission of the online application. The application will not be considered if NOC is not uploaded with the application.
- 4. No intimation will be sent to candidates not called for the Entrance Examination or not selected and no correspondence on this subject will be entertained.

5. The rules are subject to change in accordance with decisions of the Institute taken from time to time.

6. All the correspondence will be through the registered email/mobile phone.

#### Checklist of documents to be uploaded at the time of online application

- 1. Photograph (Passport size with white background)
- 2. Document to prove age
- 3. Caste certificate for SC/ST/OBC (Non-creamy layer) issued by revenue authorities not below the rank of a Tahsildar (valid as per Govt. of India norms).
- 4. Eligible candidates applying under the EWS category are required to produce an EWS certificate issued by a competent authority in the prescribed format given in the annexure.
- 5. "No Objection Certificate" in case of employed candidates

6. Certificates to prove academic qualifications, marks, achievements and experience.

- 7. Registration Certificate: Medical (MBBS/MD/MS/DNB)/Nursing
- 8. Candidate should furnish a certificate from the respective colleges to the effect that the Department/Course is recognized by MCI or National Medical Commission (applicable only for postdoctoral courses).

Note: In the case of PDF programs, those who have not completed DM & MCh/ equivalent courses at the time of interview shall produce the original certificates at the time of joining.

#### HALL TICKET/CALL LETTER

Eligible candidates for the entrance examination can download the Hall Ticket/ Call letter ten days prior to the scheduled date for the entrance examination from the SCTIMST website www.sctimst.ac.in. Intimation regarding hall ticket will be sent to the candidate's registered e-mail ID.

#### **VENUE FOR ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

PDF, PDCC, Diploma/PG Diploma, ACP	SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram	
and PhD programs		
MPH and DPH programs	As per the Notification published in	
	March or April, 2024	

#### **Definition of categories**:

**Unreserved (UR) candidates**: Unreserved stands for all applicants including overseas citizens of India.

**Other Backward Class- Non-Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL) Candidates**: Under the OBC-NCL category, only castes as mentioned in the Central list of OBCs, published by the Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India, will be considered. In addition, the candidate should also satisfy the condition of the non-creamy layer as defined by the Government of India. The OBC-NCL candidates seeking the benefits of reservation are required to produce the recently issued original certificate by a competent authority in the prescribed format given in Annexure - I. The certificates (in original) must be produced at the time of verification at the specified Reporting Centres, failing which the candidature will not be considered for admission under the OBC-NCL category.

# Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (SC/ST) Candidates

The seats are reserved for the candidate belonging to SC/ST as per Government Instructions, provided candidates fulfil the minimum admission requirements prescribed by the institute for the purpose. The candidates belonging to SC/ST are required to furnish certificate from a revenue officer not below the rank of Tahsildar, sub divisional officer of the area where the candidate and /or his family normally resides. The documents (in original), must be produced at the time of verification at the specified Reporting Centres, failing which the candidature will be cancelled. Seats that remain vacant under the ST category shall be allotted to SC candidates if there are no eligible ST candidates. Seats remaining vacant under the SC/ST categories shall not be filled by candidates belonging to any other category.

# Persons with Disabilities (PwD) Candidates:

5% seats are reserved for PwD candidates in MPH, DPH, MPhil and Diploma/PG Diploma/Certificate programs. The benefit of reservation shall be given only to those who have at least 40% physical impairment. Candidates seeking benefit under this category are requested to produce original certificates along with a copy, issued by a district medical board/ competent Page 62 of 86

authority, at the time of entrance examination at the specified Reporting Centres, failing which the candidature will not be considered for admission under the PwD category.

**Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) Candidates:** Eligible candidates applying under EWS category are requested producing EWS certificate issued by a competent authority in the prescribed format given in the annexure - II. Certificates in any other format will not be accepted. The certificate (in original and a copy) must be produced at the time of verification at the specified Reporting Centres, failing which the candidature will not be considered for admission under the EWS category.

#### **ANTI-RAGGING AFFIDAVIT**

#### Ragging in all its forms is prohibited in the Institute

All candidates at the time of admission to the Institute will be required to furnish an undertaking in the form of an affidavit that the candidate will not indulge in any form of ragging and, if found ragging, the Institute may take appropriate action against the erring students.

Regarding ragging the directive of the Hon'ble Supreme Court will be followed strictly. It is as under: "As per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the Government has banned ragging completely in any form inside and outside of the campus and the Institute authorities are determined not to allow any form of the ragging. Whoever directly or indirectly commits, participates in abets or instigates ragging within or outside any educational Institution, shall be suspended, expelled or rusticated from the Institution and shall also be liable to a fine. The punishment may also include cancellation of admission, classes. suspension from attending the withholding/withdrawing fellowship/scholarship and other financial benefits, or withholding or cancelling the result. The decision shall be taken by the Head of the Institution."

All students/residents are advised to fill the anti-ragging undertaking through online portal (Link to fill out the online undertaking affidavit by students and parents: https://antiragging.in/undertaking\_request.php/www.antiragging.in/affidavitregistration disclaimer.html / www.c4yindia.org/Home/Undertaking) before submitting application at SCTIMST and submit the proof of the same to Division of Academic Affairs during admission.

Step by step guide on how to fill an online anti-ragging undertaking are available at https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/8408691\_Step-by-step-guide-on-How-to-fill-Online-Anti-Ragging-Undertaking.pdf

#### National Anti-Ragging Helpline

Phone No -: 1800-180-5522 Email -: helpline@antiragging.in

# Prohibition of and Punishment for Ragging:

1.	Ragging in any form is strictly prohibited, within the premises of the				
	Institution and any part of SCTIMST and also outside SCTIMST.				
2.	Ragging for the purpose of these rules, ordinarily means any act,				
	conduct or practice by an individual or any collective act by which				
	dominant power or status of a senior students/residents is brought to				
	bear on students/residents freshly enrolled or students/residents who				
	are, in any way, considered junior or inferior by other				
	students/residents which;				
	i. Involve physical assault or threat or use of physical force.				
	ii. Violate the status, dignity and honor of women students.				
	iii. Violate the status, dignity and honor of physically				
	disabled/transgender students.				
	iv. Violate the status; dignity and honor of students/residents				
	belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other				
	Backward Castes.				
	v. Exposes student/resident to ridicule and contempt and affect their				
	self-esteem.				
	vi. Entail verbal abuse and aggression, indecent gesture and obscene behavior.				
	vii. The Dean, Associate Dean, Registrar, Hostel Warden and HoDs of SCTIMST may suo-moto enquiry into any ragging incident and				
	report to the Director of the identity of those who have engaged and				
	the nature of the incident. The Director of SCTIMST shall take				
	necessary action based on the report.				
3.	Any person aggrieved in this matter may fearlessly approach the Anti-				
	ragging committee/anti-ragging squad/ Associate Dean (Faculty and				
	Student Affairs)/ Division of Academic Affairs of SCTIMST for a fair and				
	concerned hearing and redressal.				
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Anti-Ragging Committee				
1	Director	Chairman		
2	Head, BMT Wing	Member		
3	HoD, Cardiology	Member		
4	HoD, CVTS	Member		
5	HoD, Neurology	Member		
6	HoD, Neurosurgery	Member		
7	HoD, Anaesthesiology	Member		
8	HoD, IS&IR	Member		
9	HOD, AMCHSS	Member		
10	Lecturer in Nursing	Member		
11	One Parent Representative	Member		
12	One Junior student representative	Member		
13	One Senior student representative	Member		
14	Mrs. Priya P., Administrative Officer	Member		
15	AAO (Academic)	Convener		
Please see the website for more details https://www.sctimst.ac.in/Academic%20and%20Research/				

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Asst. Admin. Officer (Academic)	Ms. Chithra T.S.	91-471 - 2524269	regoffice@sctimst.ac.in

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#### ANNEXURE - I

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XVI. Resolution No. 12011/14/2004-BCC dated 12/03/2007 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 67 dated 12/03/2007
XVII. Resolution No. 12015/2/2007-BCC dated 18/08/2010.
KVIII.         Resolution No. 12015/13/2010-BCC dated 08/12/2011.
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ordinarily reside(s) in the District /
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he/she does not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the Government of India, Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) dated 08/09/93 which is modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004 Estt.(Res.) dated 09/03/2004 and further modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004-Estt. (Res.) dated 14/10/2008 and further modified vide OM No. 36033/1/2013-Estt (Res.) dated 27/05/2013 or the latest notification of the Government of India.

Dated: District Magistrate / Deputy Commissioner/ Competent Authority

#### Seal

#### NOTE:

- a. The term 'Ordinarily' used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.
- b. The authorities competent to issue Caste Certificates are indicated below:
  - i. District Magistrate / Additional Magistrate / Collector / Deputy Commissioner / Additional Deputy Commissioner / Deputy Collector / Ist Class Stipendiary Magistrate / Sub-Divisional magistrate / Taluk Magistrate/ Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of Ist Class Stipendiary Magistrate).
  - ii. Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate
  - iii. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar' and
  - iv. Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and / or his family resides.
  - v. The date of issue of OBC (NCL) certificate should be within one year from the last date of application.

# Government of ..... (Name & Address of the authority issuing the certificate) INCOME & ASSETS CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTIONS.

Certificate No\_\_\_\_

	Date:	
VALID	FOR THE YEAR	

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari

			aughter/wife of		
		permanent r	resident of		
Villag	ge/Street	Post Office		District	
		in the State/ I	Jnion Territory _		Pin
Code		_ whose photograph	is attested below	belongs to Econo	mically
Weak	er Sections, since	e the gross annual ind	come* of his/her	"family"** is below	w Rs. 8
lakh	(Rupees Eight Lal	kh only) for the finance	cial year	His/her family	does not
own o	or possess any of	the following assets**	:*		
I.	5 acres of agricu	ultural land and abov	e;		
II.	Residential flat	of 1000 sq. ft. and ab	ove;		
I11.	Residential plot	of 100 sq. yards and	above in notified	l municipalities;	
IV.	Residential plot	of 200 sq. yards and	above in areas o	other than the not	ified
muni	cipalities.				
2.	Shri/Smt/Kuma	ari	1	belongs to the	
	caste w	hich is not recognized	l as a Scheduled	Caste, Scheduled	1 Tribe
and (	Other Backward C	Classes (Central List)			

Signature with seal of Office \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Designation\_\_\_\_\_

Recent Passport size attested photograph of the applicant

**\*Note1:** Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc. **\*\*Note 2:** The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

**\*\*\*Note 3:** The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.

# **BOND FORMAT FOR Senior Residents / Junior residents**

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT, made this day of \_\_\_\_\_ Two

thousand and twenty-four between

son/daughter of

(hereinafter called the Senior Resident/Junior Resident) of the one part and Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum (herein after called the Institute' through its Director) of the other part.

WHEREAS the Institute intends to admit the part of the first part as a Senior Resident/Junior Resident for a period of three years commencing from the \_\_\_\_\_day of January,2024.

AND WHEREAS it has been agreed between the parties hereto that the Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall serve the Institute on the terms and conditions herein contained.

NOW THESE PRESENTS witness and the parties here to respectively agree as follows:

The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall submit himself/herself to the orders of the Institute and Officers and authorities under whom he/she may from time to time be placed by the Director, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology shall serve as \_\_\_\_\_\_Senior Resident/Junior Resident for a period of 03 years commencing from the \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2024 until his/her services are terminated previously as hereinafter provided.

2. The services of the Senior Resident/Junior Resident may be terminated as follows:

- (i) By the Director of the Institute without any previous notice if the Director of the Institute is satisfied on medical evidence that the Senior Resident/Junior Resident is unfit and is likely for a considerable period to continue unfit by the reason of ill health for the discharge of his/her duties PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision of the Director that the Senior Resident/Junior Resident is unfit and is likely to continue unfit, shall be conclusive and binding on him/her.
- (ii) By the Director of the Institute without any previous notice, if the Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall be guilty of any insubordination, interference or other misconduct or any breach or non-performance of any of the provisions of the agreement, or of any rules pertaining to the Institute, PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision of the Director of the Institute in this behalf shall be conclusive and binding on him/her.
- (iii) By thirty days notice in writing given at any time during service under this Agreement by the Director of the Institute or its authorized officer to him/her, without cause assigned.

PROVIDED ALWAYS that the Director of the Institute may in lieu of any notice herein provided for, give the Senior Resident/Junior Resident a sum

equivalent to the amount of his/her salary for thirty days or shorter notice than thirty days.

- 3. If the Senior Resident/Junior Resident be suspended from duty in connection with any investigation into his/her conduct, he/she shall not be entitled to any salary during such period of suspension.
- 4. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall devote his/her whole time to the duties of the said service and shall not engage, directly or indirectly, in any trade/business/occupation/or profession (including any private practice) on his/her own account and shall not (except in case of accident or sickness certified by competent medical authority) absent himself/herself from his/her said duties without having first obtained permission from the Director of the Institute or its authorized officers.
- 5. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall not, except as provided in this Agreement, resign his/her position without completing the course to which he/she has been admitted by the Institute. Concerned defaulter shall be liable to pay an amount of 50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs). if decided to leave after the last date of closure of admission, ie on or after \_\_\_\_\_.03.2024.
- 6. With effect from ......day of......2024 the Institute shall pay the Senior Resident/Junior Resident so long as he/she remains in the said capacity and actually performs his/her duties as aforesaid, a monthly salary as per the Institute rules.
- 7. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident should pay the prescribed annual tuition fee on or before 31st January of subsequent academic years.
- 8. The Senior Resident shall be eligible for such concession in relation to a medical attendance and treatment as may be prescribed by the Institute.
- 9. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident will be provided as per their entitlement, single/Double/family accommodation in the hostel. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall have to abide by the rules and regulations of the hostel of the Institute where he is accommodated and shall occupy the room allotted to him / her only as a licensee. When the Institute is unable to offer eligible accommodation, HRA may be paid to such Senior Residents/Junior Resident as per Institute Rules.
- 10. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall vacate the accommodation given to him / her as aforesaid within 10 days of the expiry of the term or earlier in the event of early termination of Senior Residentship/Junior Residentship. The Director of the Institute, where such accommodation is provided, shall be entitled to take action for eviction in case the Senior Resident/Junior Resident fails or neglects to vacate such an accommodation and delivery of peaceful possession thereof to the Director.
- 11. Besides academic working in pursuance of studies he/she shall carry out all the duties and responsibilities required of him/her to be performed as assigned by the Head of the Department/Units where he/she will be

placed in the discharge of patient care and maintenance of records and such other clinical and technical duties as may be assigned to him/her by the aforesaid authorities from time to time in the interest of efficient patient care and running of the hospital. The decision of Director of the Institute as to whether the Senior Resident/Junior Resident has satisfactorily carried out all the duties and responsibilities aforesaid shall be final and binding on the Junior Resident.

- 12. The working hours of the Senior Resident/Junior Resident will not normally exceed continuous duty for more than twelve hours in a day, subject to such exigencies as may arise in the working of the Department (Units/Wards) where he/she may be placed and in this respect also the decision of the Director of the Institute shall be final and binding on the Senior Resident/Junior Resident.
- 13. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall be liable to be on call and stay duties, which shall not normally exceed 12 hours at a time.
- 14. During the term he/she shall be entitled to leave as per the rules of the Institute.
- 15. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall not be allowed to apply for a job position /assignment elsewhere during the course of his/her studies and such application shall not be forwarded during the validity of the agreement.
- 16. The Senior Resident/Junior Resident shall not be issued certificate/testimonial of any kind bearing evidence of satisfactory work, experience, performance etc. in case of discontinuation of his/her studies.
- 17. Ragging in any form is prohibited in the Institute and those found resorting to ragging of fellow Senior Residents/Junior Resident and if found guilty will be dismissed from the Institute. I have read this note and abide by it.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF the Senior Resident/Junior Resident and the Dean of the Institute for and on behalf of the Institute have here to set their hands the day and year first herein above written.

Surety terms

Signed by (in block letters) in the presence of witnesses.

(Name and Signature of the Senior Resident/Junior Resident)

Signature of Witness with Name & Address

1.

2.

DEAN (Academic Affairs)

For and on behalf of SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram.

I .....a Senior Resident/Junior Resident at the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, understand that I will be assessed at the end of six months after my admission to the said course, for my academic ability, desire for training, acquisition of competence, commitment to patient care, interpersonal relationship etc. I also understand that, in case my scoring is low, I will be given a chance to improve in the next 3 months and unsatisfactory, my registration will be terminated.

I undertake to complete the said course as per the requirements of the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology. In the event of my leaving the studies, an amount of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs) shall be paid by me, if decided to leave the course on or after the second day of joining after the last day of joining period as prescribed at admission.

Date: Signature of the Candidate

Signed in the presence of Witnesses: (Name & Address)

1. Signature

2. Signature

# BOND FORMAT FOR DIPLOMA STUDENTS

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT, made this day of \_\_\_\_\_, January Two thousand and Twenty-four between\_\_\_\_\_\_ son/daughter of \_\_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter called the student) of the one part and Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology, Trivandrum (hereinafter called the 'Institute' through its Director) of the other part.

WHEREAS the Institute intends to admit the party of the first part as a student for a period of 02 years commencing from the \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2024.

AND WHEREAS it has been agreed between the parties hereto that the student shall serve the Institute on the terms and conditions herein contained.

NOW THESE PRESENTS witness and the parties here to respectively agree as follows:

1. The student shall submit himself/herself to the orders of the Institute and Officers and authorities under whom he/she may from time to time be placed by the Director, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology and shall serve as\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ student for a period of 02 years commencing from the\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of January,2024 until his/her services are terminated previously as hereinafter provided.

2. The services of the student may be terminated as follows:

a. By the Director of the Institute without any previous notice if the Director of the Institute is satisfied on medical evidence that the student is unfit and is likely for a considerable period to continue unfit by the reason of ill health for the discharge of his/her duties PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision of the Director that the student is unfit and is likely to continue unfit, shall be conclusive and binding on him/her.

b. By the Director of the Institute without any previous notice, if the student shall be guilty of any insubordination, interference or other misconduct or any breach or non-performance of any of the provisions of the agreement, or of any rules pertaining to the Institute, PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision of the Director of the Institute in this behalf shall be conclusive and binding on him/ her.

c. By thirty days notice in writing given at any time during service under this Agreement by the Director of the Institute or its authorized officer to him, without cause assigned.

PROVIDED ALWAYS that the director of the Institute may in lieu of any notice herein provided for, give the student a sum equivalent to the amount of his/her stipend/scholarship for thirty days or shorter notice than thirty days.

3. If the student be suspended from duty in connection with any investigation into his/her conduct, he/she shall not be entitled to any stipend/scholarship during such period of suspension.

4. The student shall devote his/her whole time to the duties of the said service and shall not engage, directly or indirectly. in anv trade/business/occupation/or profession (including any private practice) on his/her own account and shall not (except in case of accident or sickness certified by competent medical authority) absent himself/herself from his/her said duties without having first obtained permission from the Director of the Institute or its authorized officers.

5. The student shall not, except as provided in this Agreement, resign his/her position without completing the course to which he/she has been admitted by the Institute. Concerned defaulter shall be liable to pay a sum equivalent to 6 months stipend/ scholarship.

6. With effect from \_\_\_\_\_ day of January 2024 the Institute shall pay the student so long as he/she remains in the said capacity and actually performs his/her duties as aforesaid, a monthly stipend/scholarship asper the Institute rules.

7. The student should pay the prescribed annual tuition fee on or before 31st January of subsequent academic years.

8. The student shall be eligible for such concession in relation to a medical attendance and treatment as may be prescribed by the Institute.

9. The student will be provided single/shared accommodation in the hostel. The student shall have to abide by the rules and regulations of the hostel of the Institute where he is accommodated and shall occupy the room allotted to him/ her only as a licensee.

10. The student shall vacate the accommodation given to him/her as aforesaid within 10 days of the expiry of the term or earlier in the event of early termination of studentship. The Director of the Institute, where such accommodation is provided, shall be entitled to take action for eviction in case the student fails or neglects to vacate such an accommodation and delivery of peaceful possession thereof to the Director.

11. Besides academic working in pursuance of studies he/she shall carry out all the duties and responsibilities required of him/her to be performed as assigned by the Head of the Department/Units where he/she will be placed in the discharge of patient care and maintenance of records and such other clinical and technical duties as may be assigned to him/her by the aforesaid authorities from time to time in the interest of efficient patient care and running of the hospital. The decision of Director of the Institute as to whether the student has satisfactorily carried out all the duties and responsibilities aforesaid shall be final and binding on the student.

12. The working hours of the student will not normally exceed continuous duty for more than twelve hours in a day, subject to such exigencies as may arise in the working of the Department (Units/Wards) where he/she may be placed and in this respect also the decision of the Director of the Institute shall be final and binding on the student.

13. The student shall be liable to be on call duty, which shall not normally exceed 12 hours at a time.

14. During the term he/she shall be entitled to leave as per the rules of the Institute.

15. The student shall not be allowed to apply for a job position/assignment elsewhere during the course of his/her studies and such application shall not be forwarded during the validity of the agreement.

16. The student shall not be issued certificate/testimonial of any kind bearing evidence of satisfactory work, experience, performance etc. in case of discontinuation of his/her studies.

17. Ragging in any form is prohibited in the Institute and those found resorting to ragging of fellow students and if found guilty will be dismissed from the Institute. I have read this note and abide by it.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF the student and the Dean, Academic Affairs of the Institute for and on behalf of the Institute have here to set their hands the day and year first hereinabove written.

Signed by .....(in block letters) in the presence of witnesses.

(Signature of the student) Witness Signature

1.

2.

DEAN, Academic Affairs

For and on behalf of SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram.

1.	Ι	a	student	of	

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology, understand that I will be assessed at the end of six months after my admission to the said course, for my academic ability, desire for training, acquisition of competence, commitment to patient care, interpersonal relationship etc. I also understand that, in case my scoring is low, I will be given a chance to improve in the next 3 months and if found unsatisfactory, my registration will be terminated.

2. I undertake to complete the said course as per the requirements of the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology. In the event of my leaving the studies, in midterm should pay a sum equivalent to six months stipend/scholarship as compensation to the above Institute.

3. I hereby agree to the above terms, unconditionally.

Date:

Signature of the Candidate

Signed in the presence of Witnesses:

1. Name & Address of the Witness

Signature:

2. Name & Address of the Witness

Signature:

#### ANNEXURE - V

## BOND FORMAT FOR PhD STUDENTS UNDER SCTIMST FELLOWSHIP

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT, made this day of ....., **Two thousand and twenty four** between ...... son/daughter of ...... (Hereinafter called the student) of the one part and Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology, Trivandrum (hereinafter called the 'Institute' through its Director) of the other part.

WHEREAS the Institute intends to admit the party of the first part as a student for a period of 3 to \_\_\_\_\_ years commencing from the day of .....

AND WHEREAS it has been agreed between the parties hereto that the student shall serve the Institute on the terms and conditions herein contained.

NOW THESE PRESENTS witness and the parties hereto respectively agree as follows:

- 1. The student shall submit himself/herself to the orders of the Institute and Officers and authorities under whom he/she may from time to time be placed by the Director, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology and shall be as a student registered for Ph.D. program for a period of three years and extendable up to maximum of five years, commencing from the day of .....until his/her studentship is terminated previously as hereinafter provided.
- 2. The student may be terminated as follows or for any other offence:
  - (i) By the Director of the Institute without any previous notice if the Director of the Institute is satisfied on medical evidence that the student is unfit and is likely for a considerable period to continue unfit by the reason of ill health to continue his/her education PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision of the Director that the student is unfit and is likely to continue unfit, shall be conclusive and binding on him/her.
  - (ii) By the Director of the Institute without any previous notice, if the student shall be guilty of any insubordination, interference or other misconduct or any breach or non-performance of any of the provisions of the agreement, or of any rules pertaining to the Institute, PROVIDED ALWAYS that the decision of the Director of the Institute is this behalf shall be conclusive and binding on him/her.
  - (iii) By a notice in writing given at any time during the tenure of period under this Agreement by the Director of the Institute or its authorized officer to him, without cause assigned.
- 3. If the student be suspended from studies in connection with any investigation into his/her conduct, he shall not be entitled to any stipend during such period of suspension.
- 4. The student shall devote his/her whole time to the studies and shall not engage, directly or indirectly, in any trade/business/occupation/or profession (including any private practice/work) on his/her own account.
- 5. The student shall not, except as provided in this Agreement, discontinue his/her studentship without completing the course to which he/she has been admitted

by the Institute. Concerned defaulter shall be liable to return the whole amount of scholarship received by him/her till the time of resignation OR a total scholarship/stipend/emoluments received by him/her of 6 months, whichever is higher and the separate rules/norms of fellowship/financial funding agencies, if any.

- 6. The student will be provided with free hard furnished single room accommodation in the hostel subject to its availability. The student shall have to abide by the rules and regulations of the hostel of the Institute where he/she is accommodated and shall occupy the room allotted to him/her only as a licensee.
- 7. The student shall vacate the accommodation given to him/her as aforesaid on the day of completion of the course/termination of studentship. The Director of the Institute, where such accommodation is provided, shall be entitled to take action for eviction in case the student fails or neglects to vacate such an accommodation and delivery of peaceful possession thereof to the Director.
- 10. During the term he/she shall be entitled to leave as per the rules of the Institute.
- 11. The student shall not be allowed to apply for a job position/assignment elsewhere during the course of his/her studies and such application shall not be forwarded during the validity of the agreement.
- 12. The student shall not be issued certificate/testimonial of any kind bearing evidence of satisfactory work, experience, performance etc. in case of discontinuation of his/her studies.
- 13. Ragging in any form is prohibited in the Institute and those found resorting to ragging of fellow students and if found guilty will be dismissed from the Institute.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the student and the Dean of the Institute for and on behalf of the Institute have here to set their hands the day and year first herein above written.

Signed by ..... in presence of witnesses (in block letters)

(Signature of the Ph.D. Student)

<u>Witnesses</u>

#### Name

#### Signature

1.

2.

# DEAN

(for and on behalf of SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram)

1.	Ι	а	student		of	
				at	the	Sree

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Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology, understand that I will be assessed at the end of six months after my admission to the said course, for my academic ability, desire for training, acquisition of competence, commitment to patient care, interpersonal relationship etc. I also understand that, in case my scoring is low, I will be given a chance to improve in the next 3 months and if found unsatisfactory, my registration will be terminated.

2. I undertake to complete the said course as per the requirements of the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology. In the event of my leaving the studies, in midterm should pay a sum equivalent to six months fellowship or the total fellowship received, whichever is higher, as compensation to the above Institute.

3. I hereby agree to the above terms, unconditionally.

Date:

Signature of the Candidate

Signed in the presence of Witnesses:

1. Name & Address of the Witness

Signature:

2. Name & Address of the Witness

Signature:

# ANTI-RAGGING AFFIDAVIT

# ANNEXURE – VI, Part I

## UNDERTAKING BY THE CANDIDATE/STUDENT

- 1. I, \_\_\_\_\_\_S/o. D/o. of Mr./Mrs./Ms.\_\_\_\_\_, have carefully read and fully understood the law prohibiting ragging and the directions of the Supreme Court and the Central/State Government in this regard.
- 2. I have received a copy of the MCI Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009.
- 3. I hereby undertake that-
  - I will not indulge in any behavior or act that may come under the definition of ragging,
  - I will not participate in or abet or propagate ragging in any form,
  - I will not hurt anyone physically or psychologically or cause any other harm.
- 4. I hereby agree that if found guilty of any aspect of ragging, I may be punished as per the provisions of the MCI Regulations mentioned above and/or as per the law in force.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_ month of \_\_\_\_\_year

Signature

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

Name:

(1) Witness:

(2) Witness:

# ANNEXURE – VI, Part II

#### **UNDERTAKING BY PARENT/GUARDIAN**

- I, \_\_\_\_\_\_ F/o. M/o. G/o\_\_\_\_\_, have carefully read and fully understood the law prohibiting ragging and the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the Central/State Government in this regard as well as the MCI Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009.
- 2. I assure you that my son/ daughter/ ward will not indulge in any act of ragging.
- 3. I hereby agree that if he/she is found guilty of any aspect of ragging, he/she may be punished as per the provisions of the MCI Regulations mentioned above and/or as per the law in force.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_month of \_\_\_\_\_Year

Signature

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

Name:

(1) Witness:

(2) Witness: