

Certificate Course in Medical Genetics

(Maharashtra University of Health Sciences)

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Introduction:

Genetics is a rapidly advancing science and the major strides that medicine will accomplish in the present century will be made possible by understanding the progress of human molecular genetics. If the fruits of this progress are to reach the common man, the medical fraternity has to keep abreast of the ever increasing information in genetics. However, the conventional medical curricula carry very few dedicated teaching sessions in genetics.

To fill this lacuna, the Department of Genetics, Immunology, Biochemistry and Nutrition (GIBN), Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (MUHS) is offering a certificate course in Medical Genetics. It is envisaged that this course will equip the medical fraternity and the technical personnel involved in care of patients and families with knowledge of genetics and molecular biology.

Aims and Objectives:

- To equip the participants with a strong background in the basic principles of genetics
- To give additional insights that modern genetics has brought to this field.

- To help participants to become familiar with the language of genetics and the terminology of molecular biology.
- To provide participants with the ability to solve problems and think analytically.
- To sensitize the participants about the various common genetic conditions.
- To enlighten the participants about the significance of molecular diagnostics for various hereditary disorders.
- To equip the participants with the principles of genetic counseling
- To involve the participants in short– term research projects

Outcome: The participants will be able to

- Identify and diagnose common genetic problems
- ➤ To understand the Principles of Genetic Counselling.
- Develop interest in conducting research related to genetics

Eligibility:

- Bachelor Degree from Medicine (Allopathy, Ayurveda, Homeopathy, Unani and others) and Dentistry
- Bachelor degree in Life Sciences.

- Bachelor degree in Allied Medical and Health Sciences like Nursing and Physiotherapy.
- Bachelor degree in Medical Laboratory Sciences or Medical Social Work or Psychology.

Duration of the course: Six months.

Language of Course: English

Total Number of Seats: Seats for this course is limited to 30 only.

Course Fees:

Fees will be Rs.20,000/- and Rs. 500 as application processing fees.

Application Form & Information Brochure:

Information Brochure along with blank application form is available on the University website: www.muhsnashik.com. Application form should be downloaded and sent along with a D.D. of Rs. 500/- in favor of "Registrar, MUHS, Nashik". D.D. should be drawn on any Branch of Nationalized bank payable at Nashik. The envelope should be superscripted with "Certificate Course in Medical Genetics". The application form thus duly filled must be submitted on or before last date of

submission of the application forms (31st > **July 2012**) on the address given below. **Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected on the basis of merit and letter of intent.

Teaching Schedule

➤ The teaching schedule of the course will begin from **August 2012**.

Project work:

Each student will complete a project of his/her choice during this period.

Evaluation:

- Internal assessment 50 marks (conducted every fortnightly)
- Theory exam 100 marks
- Project work 50 marks

Minimum passing 50% in each head

Course features:

- Comprehensive coverage of the theory in Medical Genetics
- Lectures by a panel of faculty members, expert in Genetics and Molecular Biology
- Clinical case study and discussion
- One month training in Genetic Laboratory.

Successful candidates will be awarded certificate from Maharashtra University of Health Sciences.

Prospects after the programme:

The course will -

- ➤ Help clinicians in the early diagnosis and intervention in genetic disorders
- ➤ Basic knowledge of genetics will be useful in competitive exams

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