

Baqai Medical University

Foreign Students Admission Policy

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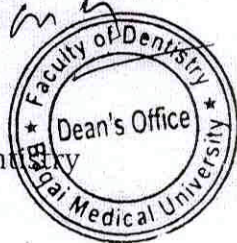
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CIRCULAR

A meeting for the discussion on the proposed "**foreign students' admission policy**" will be held on 26th August 2022. You are requested to make it convenient to attend as per following schedule

Date: Friday 26th August 2022
Time: 10.30 AM
Venue: 3rd Floor, Faculty of Dentistry


Prof. Asaad Javaid
Dean Faculty of Dentistry



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11th August, 2022

Mr. Israr Ahmed Khan
Secretary BASR
Baqai Medical University
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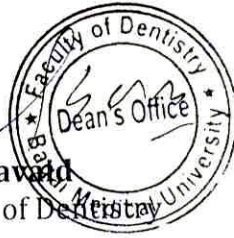
Dear Israr Sahab,

السلام عليكم

Please find an initial **draft of the foreign students' admission policy** for your perusal. We will have a discussion on it to bring in alterations/modifications as suggested by you. The date and time for the meeting will be decided as per mutual agreement of all the committee members.

Brotherly,

Prof. Asaad Jawaid
Dean, Faculty of Dentistry



*Prof. Asad Jawaid
will call a meeting to
discuss the Report.*

Draft for Foreign students' admission Policy

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Introduction

Baqai Medical University is a renowned university in the country which plays a significant role in imparting postgraduate studies in Medical Sciences as it a university chartered exclusively for medical education. It promotes higher education within the country and encourages foreign nationals to seek admission in medical and allied disciplines. The university acknowledges that foreign students bring with them different views, ideas, beliefs and multiple cultural experiences that help domestic students and faculty members as it broadens their worldview.

Purpose

This policy document is developed to facilitate the foreign students seeking admission in the field of medical and allied sciences. It will also encourage and facilitate Pakistani nationals settled abroad to pursue their higher education in Pakistan.

Policy Statement (DRAFT)

Eligibility:

Baqai Medical University (BMU) offers wide range of postgraduate (PG) programs related to medical and allied health sciences to foreign students irrespective of their cast, creed and gender. The programs include doctoral and master level clinical and non-clinical degrees and diplomas. A candidate having either of the following nationality status will be considered as a "foreign student",

Foreign Nationals

Overseas Pakistanis having foreign citizenship

Overseas Pakistanis having Dual Nationality

For admission to any PG program at BMU, a foreign applicant must either have Bachelor's or Master's degree obtained from an institution recognizable by Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan Medical Commission (PMC) or any other concerned regulatory authority. *Equivalence may be sought wherever required.*

Minimum Grade Point requirement

An applicant is expected to have grade-point average (GPA) of at least 2.50 on scale of 4.00 for admission in Master's program and GPA 3 in master's degree for Doctoral program in the subject applied for.

Age limit

There is no age limit for admission to any PG program for foreign students.

University Admission Test

Foreign students are exempted from the University Entry Test but for successful selection of candidature, a foreign applicant has to satisfy the concerned dean's nominated panel of subject specialists through an interview (Physical / Virtual).

Admission to students with extraordinary background

In extraordinary cases, admission may be granted by reason of special backgrounds, abilities and interests recommended by the concerned faculty and confirmation by BASR of the university.

Verified copy of translated documents

It is responsibility of a foreign applicant to provide all relevant information required by BMU to enable a selection evaluation and to meet all statutory / regulatory obligation in the delivery of education.

If the documents are not in English, verified copy of translation by Pakistan mission in the applicant's country will be required.

Credit transfer

For transfer of credits, an applicant must have completed in a satisfactory manner a minimum of course work in the designated areas depending upon the intended field of PG study. A 24- credit hour and 18- credit hour course work is mandatory for master and doctoral program respectively. Equivalence Committee of BMU will have final decision on transferable or non-transferable number of credit hours of the applicant's completed course work.

Credit hours of a foreign candidate may only be transferred in the programs with same degree level.

An applicant is allowed to apply for admission to only one program at a time.

English Proficiency

English is the official language for conducting higher education courses. Proof of English Language Proficiency is required for all foreign students whose official language of the country is not English.

Financial Support

It is an applicant's responsibility to show financial proof of covering all educational expenses and living cost for him/herself along with accompanying spouse and other dependents.

Health insurance and Vaccinations

BMU requires that all foreign students and their dependents be covered by health insurance. Vaccination or other health issues-----

Admission offer

Admission is granted by the faculty in which the student plans to study and is confirmed by Board of Advanced Studies and Research (BASR) of the university. Once the selection decision is made, offer for admission is made through the office of the secretary BASR to the selected candidate. He/she has to respond within specified time mentioned in the offer letter.

University policies

University policies, other than this policy, are applicable to all foreign students in similar manner as to local students.

Application and selection Procedure

A foreign candidate may apply to one PG program at a time.

The eligible candidate has to send a copy of all the previous educational documents to Secretary BASR of the university Physically/ electronically. The copies should be verified by the Professional regulatory body and degree awarding university of the applicant.

If the documents of the student are found suitable for admission to the program applied for, the dean of concerned faculty will appoint a panel of subject specialists and the applicant needs to satisfy his/her candidature through an interview physically/virtually. }

If the interview panel recommends admission, the documents of the candidate along with a provisional letter of admission will be sent by BMU to Higher Education Commission (HEC) and Ministry of Interior, Islamabad to acquire No Objection Certificate (NOC).

After verification from HEC and the Ministry of Interior, offer for admission is made through the office of the secretary BASR to the selected candidate. This letter is issued to facilitate the selected student so that he/she can apply for student visa and is able to join the university when the academic session begins.

Once the visa is issued and the admitted student reaches Pakistan, he/she should report his/her arrival to the secretary BASR where he/she will be required to submit the following original documents:

University Degree/Diploma

Higher School Certificate (12-year of studies)

Secondary School Certificate (10-year of studies)

Marks certificates

Transcripts

Proof of financial support

Proof of medical fitness

The Secretary BASR will conduct a meeting with concerned members of 'admission finalization committee' and issue a CONFIRMATION letter of the admission.