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5.1.4. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CELL

Sri Muthukumar Medical College Hospital and Research Institute complies with the student admission regulations framed by the Government of Tamil Nadu and in compliance to Section 14 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 and as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. Admission to MBBS/MD/MS programs within their respective categories is determined solely by the scores achieved in the National Eligibility-Cum-Entrance Test. As the institution has ample facilities and confident in its ability to accommodate students from around the world who seek quality higher education and a global learning experience, the institution had established an international student cell in 2021, headed by the Dean of the institution and a team of dedicated faculty. The international student cell aims to provide necessary guidance for admission in medical courses at the institution for NRIs and foreign medical graduates (FMGs).

Non-Resident Indians (NRI): Non-resident Indian students who have passed the qualifying examinations (12th standard) from schools or colleges situated in foreign countries and have qualified NEET examination.

NRI Sponsored Students: Students of Indian citizens whose immediate family members like parents, grandparents or siblings are an NRI. Student admitted under this category cannot be given change of status during the study period if the status of the sponsor is changed.

The objective of the International Student Cell is

- To facilitate the smooth transition, enhance academic experience, and promote cultural integration of the FMGs/NRIs within the college community.
- To conduct orientation programs specifically designed for international students which includes a session on college policies, academic expectations, cultural orientation, and available support services.
- To provide vernacular language support programs
- To allocate a faculty as academic advisor / mentor for each FMGs/NRIs
- To provide comprehensive assistance with healthcare, banking, transportation, and legal matters.



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- To provide online & offline support to Students going abroad for Higher Studies/ Placements
- To provide career guidance for USMLE / PLAB NBE / GMC of various Boards & Countries

Activities of the cell:

- Facilitating student exchange programs
- Providing opportunities for global healthcare exposure, such as conference presentations, research collaborations, and overseas clinical observerships.
- Establishing Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with international institutions, attracting students for academic exchange programs and elective clinical training at our institution.
- Introducing observer ship programs for international medical students seeking exposure to the Indian healthcare system.
- Organizing seminars and webinars featuring faculty from renowned international institutions, focusing on recent advancements in various medical fields.
- Enhancing the visibility of the institution and thus attract academic and research collaborations from across the globe.