

2. CURRICULUM IMPLEMENTATION: OVERALL PLAN

Duration of the program: 8 semesters

1-7 Semesters

One Semester Plan for the first 7 Semesters

Total Weeks per Semester: 26 weeks per semester

Number of Weeks per Semester for instruction: 20 weeks (40 hours per week x 20 weeks = 800 hours)

Number of Working Days: Minimum of 100 working days (5 days per week x 20 weeks)

Vacation, Holidays, Examination and preparatory Holidays: 6 weeks

Vacation: 3 weeks

Holidays: 1 week

Examination and preparatory Holidays: 2 weeks

8th Semester

One semester: 22 weeks

Vacation: 1 week

Holidays: 1 week

Examination and Preparatory Holidays: 2 weeks

1 Credit theory – 1 hour per week per semester

1 Credit practical/lab/skill lab/simulation lab – 2 hours per week per semester

1 Credit clinical – 4 hours per week per semester

1 Credit elective course – 1 hour per week per semester

Total Semesters = 8

(Seven semesters: One semester = 20 weeks x 40 hours per week = 800 hours)

(Eight semester – Internship: One semester = 22 weeks x 48 hours per week = 1056 hours)

Total number of course credits including internship and electives – 156 (141+12=3)

Distribution of credits and hours by courses, internship and electives

S.No	Credits	Theory (Cr/Hrs)	Lab (CR/Hrs)	Clinical (Cr/Hrs)	Total Credits	Hours
1	Course credits	90 credit per 1800 hours	15/600	36/2880	141	5280
2	Internship				12	1056

3	Electives				3	60
	TOTAL				156	6396
4	Self – study and Co-curricular	Saturdays (one semester = 5 hours per week x 20 weeks x 7 semesters = 700 hours)			12	240
					35	700
					47	940

Distribution of credits, hours and percentage for theory and practicum (Skill Lab & Clinical) across eight semesters

S.No.	Theory & Practicum (Skill Lab & Clinical)	Credits	Hours	Percentage
1	Theory	90	1800	28
2	Lab/Skill Lab	15	600	10
3	Clinical	36	3936	62
	Total	141	6336 hours	100

Practicum (7 semesters) excluding internship

Lab/skill lab/simulation lab – 600 (17%)

Clinical – 2880 (83%)

Total – 3480

Lab/skill lab/simulation lab = 17% of the total practicum planned

Note: Besides the stipulated lab and clinical hours, a maximum of 13% (400-450 hours) from the clinical hours can be used in simulation lab/skill lab for skill lab/simulation learning and not to exceed 30% of total hours.