

**MINI OSCE (*OBJECTIVE STRUCTURED CLINICAL EXAMINATION*)
PRACTICAL EXAM REGULATIONS FOR NURSING STUDENTS
AT UNIVERSITY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT IN
RZESZÓW**

General provisions

§ 1.

1. Mini OSCE (*Objective Structured Clinical Examination*) is a standardised examination which aim is to assess practical skills acquired by the students during the Fundamentals of Nursing classes. The exam is conducted at the end of the second semester.
2. The student must pass all the learning outcomes from the Course Outline for Fundamentals of Nursing classes prior to undertaking the exam.
3. The examination committee is appointed by the Vice-Dean for Nursing at the Faculty of Medicine, UITM. The committee is formed of the Chair and Members of the Committee. Only the academic teachers and other persons who teach at Nursing studies and who possess the relevant professional qualifications (education/training) and the right to practice the occupation, can be part of the Committee.
4. The exam takes place in a Nursing Skills Laboratory.
5. During the exam the student must obey the Educational Regulations in the Nursing Skills Laboratory.
6. It is forbidden to enter the exam with a phone or any other electronic mobile device and to use such device during the exam. Exam takers are forbidden to communicate with other students during the exam. Any attempt at communication or possession of an electronic mobile device will be treated as a breach of the Exam Regulations and will result in failing the exam.

Exam process

§ 2.

1. The students come to the mini OSCE Exam according to the published Exam Schedule, previously agreed by the Vice-Dean for Nursing at the Faculty of Medicine, 15 minutes prior to the planned start of the exam, in full uniform, with shoes changed and wearing a badge. Non-observance of the dress code, specified in the Regulations mentioned in §1 item 5, results in the student being asked to leave the exam.
2. The exam consists of minimum 2, and maximum 6 stations of OSCE. The exam requires the student to perform the relevant tasks at each of the scheduled stations.
3. All students taking the exam have the same tasks to perform, are given the same timeframe for it, and are assessed according to the same criteria (as per the nursing skills Checklists).
4. Starting at a given station, the student receives written instructions describing the task ahead.
5. The student uses the materials, equipment, trainers and phantoms available at the station to perform the task.
6. The student works independently while performing each task. From the time the student starts to perform the task, no further instructions are given to the student.
7. There is a time limit allocated to each task (5-10 minutes). The time is counted from the moment the student has familiarised themselves with instructions. The Committee informs the student once the time limit is up.

8. The performance of a task is assessed by the Committee with the use of the Checklist for each given station. In the situation of non-performance of the task, performance beyond the given timeframe or wrong performance of the task, the student fails the particular station.
9. Moving from one station to another is done at clear instruction from the Committee to that effect, according to the exam schedule.
10. In order to achieve the passing mark from the whole Exam, the student must achieve a passing mark from each individual station.
11. The final mark for the Mini OSCE exam is formed by the arithmetic average of the marks from the individual stations, according to the following marking scale:
 - a) in case of the arithmetic average falling between 3.0 and 3.24, the final mark is 3.0,
 - b) in case of the arithmetic average falling between 3.25 and 3.74, the final mark is 3.5,
 - c) in case of the arithmetic average falling between 3.75 and 4.24, the final mark is 4.0,
 - d) in case of the arithmetic average falling between 4.25 and 4.74, the final mark is 4.5,
 - e) in case of the arithmetic average falling between 4.75 and 5.00, the final mark is 5.0.
12. In the situation where the student has not achieved a passing mark from the Mini OSCE Exam in the first take, the student may retake the exam (the student is then required to pass the station which s/he failed at the first take) on a date indicated by the Vice-Dean for Nursing at the Faculty of Medicine.
13. In the situation where the student has not achieved a passing mark from the Mini OSCE Exam in a retake, the student does not obtain a credit (passing mark) from the Fundamentals of Nursing classes. In such situations, provisions of the UITM Study Regulations concerning conditional retakes will apply.
14. The final mark for the Fundamentals of Nursing classes in the second semester consists of the Mini OSCE Exam mark (weighting 0.4) and the average mark for all the Learning Outcomes achieved by the student in those classes in the second semester of the course (weighting 0.6).

Documentation for Mini OSCE Exam

§ 3.

1. The record of the mini OSCE exam consists of the following documents:
 - a) task descriptions
 - b) Checklists
 - c) Individual Marking Records (as per the Attachment to the Exam Regulations)
2. The mini OSCE exam documentation is presented to the Vice-Dean for Nursing at the Faculty of Medicine after the completion of the exam.

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**STUDENT'S INDIVIDUAL MARKING RECORDS
MINI OSCE PRACTICAL EXAM
AT NURSING STUDIES**

Student's full name

Student ID No.

Date of the mini OSCE exam.....

Committee:

Chair

Members:

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Marks from the particular stations ¹		Arithmetic average of the marks from the particular stations	Mark from the mini OSCE exam ²
Station 1			
Station 2			
Station 3			
Station 4			
Station 5			
Station 6			

Committee Chair

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Committee Members

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¹ Checklists from the particular stations filled in by the Committee should be attached to these records.

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