

Work ethics and discipline for Clinical students

Working hours

1. The clinical work is 8am -12pm from Monday – Saturday, six days a week. 100% attendance is expected from students for clinical work. On casualty days the time maybe longer and is pre-determined by the consultant in charge.

Punctuality for clinical appointments

2. All students attending to short and long clinical appointments (pre-professorial) should report to the respective ward/clinic that they are allocated, at least by 8am. They are advised to be present earlier to prepare for case presentations.
3. The group monitor should mark the register by 8am and get the arrival time endorsed by the Senior registrar/ Registrar/ SHO or in the absence of above members, by the House officers. Excuses for delay in reporting to work will not be accepted unless prior approval or permission is obtained by the respective consultant
4. Students should always inform the Consultant or the senior most Medical officer of the ward/clinic in the absence of the consultant, when leaving for any kind of emergency.
Students are strictly advised to set priority to the clinical work and their academic work not personnel or unrelated problems.
5. The students should not be visiting supermarkets or similar places or walk unnecessarily along roads during hours of academic work tarnishing the image of the faculty and gain disrespect from public.

Absenteeism

6. No student/ or student group should take any form of leave or be absent for clinical work without informing the respective consultant and obtaining prior permission. In the event of illness students are advised to contact University Medical officer/Clinical coordinator and inform their illness as well as inform the Consultant of the clinical appointment in writing which is to be handed over by the group monitor at the earliest opportunity, not at last when the consultant inquires.

Communication and behavior

7. Students should show due respect to the consultant and communicate respectfully with all categories of ward staff. Displaying such professional of behavior from early days of clinical life will help you to become a good Medical professional who gains respect and support from the medical team.

8. At all time students should remember that they are a part of a respected community of professionals and behave well at all times not talking aloud and blocking roads or displaying any act of disrespect.

Attire and dress code

9. The students should wear a clean scrub with the name tag at all times of clinical work and should avoid being in public places unnecessarily wearing the scrub. Students should wear appropriate footwear as shoes or sandals but not slip-ons. They should be clean shaven with neatly combed hair.

Use of communication devices

10. The students should have their phones/ tablets in silent mode during clinical work. They should only use the phones related to the academic work or searching the literature or visiting a medical website.
11. Students should not photograph/ video patients or patients records on any occasion even for their own learning. Students are allowed to take photos of few investigations as chest radiograph or ECG with prior permission but should only use them for their learning. The information regarding patients should never be shared and should be maintained strictly confidential.
12. Students should be responsible and accountable for all their actions. If they find any concerning issue regarding the work, or their colleagues or any other related matter they should immediately inform the clinical coordinator/ the attending consultant / Dean or any other academic member without delay other than trying to sort it themselves.

The students who are found to be not abiding the above laid regulations will be referred to a team of academics for further inquiry and will face punitive actions.