



Department of Neurology & Neuro-Surgery

| S.No | Name of the Fellowship | Eligibility | Duration |
|------|--|--|----------|
| 01 | Fellowship in Neurovascular Interventions | DM/DNB Neuro, Inter Radio, M.Ch/DNB Neuro Surg | 1 yr |
| 02 | Fellowship in Movement Disorders & Deep Brain St (DBS) | DM/DNB Neuro, M.Ch/DNB in Neuro Surg | 1 yr |
| 03 | Fellowship in Neuro Electro Physiology | DM/DNB Neuro | 1 yr |
| 04 | Fellowship in Cognitive & Behavioural Neurology | DM/DNB Neuro | 1 yr |
| 05 | Fellowship in Pediatric Neurosurgery | M.Ch/DNB Neuro Surgery | 1 yr |
| 06 | Fellowship in Vascular Neuro Surgery | M.Ch./DNB Neuro Surg | 1 yr |
| 07 | Fellowship in Minimal Invasive Neuro Surgery | MS/DNB Gen surg, M.Ch./DNB Neuro | 1 yr |
| 08 | Fellowship in Skull Base Neuro Surgery | M.Ch./DNB Neuro Surg, Head & Neck Surg | 1 yr |



Fellowship in Neurovascular Interventions

Course Overview

The Fellowship in Neurovascular Interventions is a one-year advanced training program designed to provide specialized skills in the diagnosis and management of neurovascular diseases using minimally invasive endovascular techniques. The program focuses on cerebral angiography, embolization procedures, mechanical thrombectomy, stenting, and management of aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations (AVMs), and stroke interventions. The curriculum integrates theoretical knowledge, hands-on training, clinical exposure, and research projects.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|---------------|--|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MD/DNB in Radiology, Neurology, Neurosurgery, or DM in Neurointervention |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in neurointerventional techniques, including embolization, mechanical thrombectomy, and angioplasty.
- Gain proficiency in diagnostic and therapeutic cerebral angiography.
- Master the management of aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations (AVMs), and ischemic stroke interventions.
- Learn advanced imaging techniques such as CT angiography and MR angiography.
- Understand patient selection, procedural planning, and post-procedural care in neurovascular interventions.
- Conduct research and apply evidence-based practices in neurointerventional procedures.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.



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Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Neurovascular Interventions

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---|---|
| Principles of Neurovascular Interventions | Neuroanatomy, cerebrovascular physiology, patient selection criteria |
| Cerebral Angiography | Diagnostic techniques, vascular access, contrast agents |
| Stroke Interventions | Mechanical thrombectomy, thrombolysis, acute ischemic stroke management |
| Aneurysm Embolization | Coiling, flow-diverters, stent-assisted techniques |
| AVMs & Fistula Management | Embolization techniques, Onyx, glue, particle embolization |
| Clinical Rotations | Hands-on training in neurovascular procedures |

Semester 2: Advanced Neurointerventional Techniques & Research

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---|--|
| Carotid & Intracranial Stenting | Stent placement, balloon angioplasty, plaque management |
| Spinal Vascular Interventions | Spinal AVM embolization, vertebral artery dissection management |
| Complication Management & Rescue Strategies | Managing procedural complications, post-intervention care |
| Ethical & Medicolegal Considerations | Patient consent, risk management, malpractice prevention |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient case reports, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Program Outcome | Description |
|--|---|
| Expertise in Neurovascular Interventions | Perform advanced neurointerventional procedures for various neurovascular conditions. |
| Proficiency in Imaging & Angiography | Interpret and utilize advanced neuroimaging techniques. |
| Minimally Invasive Techniques | Apply catheter-based interventions for aneurysms, AVMs, and stroke. |
| Ethical & Legal Acumen | Ensure compliance with ethical and medicolegal considerations in neurovascular interventions. |



Course Outcomes

| Course Outcome | Description |
|--|--|
| Stroke & Aneurysm Management | Perform endovascular stroke interventions and aneurysm coiling. |
| Embolization Techniques | Gain expertise in AVM embolization and vascular malformation management. |
| Carotid & Intracranial Stenting | Master stent-assisted angioplasty techniques. |
| Complication Management | Develop strategies for handling procedural complications. |

Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|--|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|--|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- **Section A** (MCQs – 30 Marks)
- **Section B** (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)
- **Section C** (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)



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Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|----------------------------|---|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Neurovascular Cases | 40 |
| Endovascular Procedures | Catheterization, Embolization, Stenting | 50 |
| Imaging Interpretation | CT Angiography, MR Angiography, DSA | 50 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |

Viva Voce (Oral Examination) (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Neurovascular Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in Neurointervention | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Neurointervention | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Theory (Paper 1 & 2) | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Practical Exam | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Viva Voce | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Dissertation | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Total (Overall) | 600 | 50% Aggregate Required |



Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- Handbook of Neuroendovascular Surgery – Eric M. Deshaies
- Neurovascular Surgical Techniques – Pascal M. Jabbour
- Endovascular Neurosurgery – Vitor M. Pereira

Journals & E-Resources:

- Journal of NeuroInterventional Surgery – <https://jn.is.bmj.com/>
- Neurosurgery Journal – <https://academic.oup.com/neurosurgery>
- World Federation of Interventional and Therapeutic Neuroradiology – <https://www.wfitn.org/>





Fellowship in Movement Disorders & Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)

Course Overview

The **Fellowship in Movement Disorders & Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)** is a one-year advanced training program aimed at equipping specialists with expertise in diagnosing and managing movement disorders such as Parkinson's disease, dystonia, essential tremors, and other hyperkinetic and hypokinetic disorders. The program emphasizes Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) and other neuromodulatory techniques, integrating clinical training, surgical exposure, neurophysiological assessments, and research.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|----------------------|---|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MD/DNB in Neurology / Neurosurgery / Internal Medicine / Psychiatry |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in diagnosing and managing movement disorders using pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches.
- Gain proficiency in Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) techniques, patient selection, and surgical planning.
- Master neurophysiological assessments, including electromyography (EMG) and intraoperative microelectrode recording.
- Learn botulinum toxin therapy for dystonia, spasticity, and tremors.
- Understand the role of neuroimaging in movement disorder diagnosis and surgical planning.
- Conduct research in movement disorders and apply evidence-based clinical practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.



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Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Movement Disorders

| Module | Topics Covered |
|--|---|
| Introduction to Movement Disorders | Classification, epidemiology, pathophysiology |
| Parkinson's Disease & Atypical Parkinsonism | Diagnosis, staging, pharmacotherapy, non-motor symptoms |
| Essential Tremors & Other Hyperkinetic Disorders | Pathophysiology, medical and surgical management |
| Neurophysiology of Movement Disorders | EMG, EEG, microelectrode recording |
| Botulinum Toxin Therapy | Indications, injection techniques, patient selection |
| Clinical Rotations | Movement disorder clinics, botulinum toxin clinics |

Semester 2: Advanced Movement Disorder Management & DBS

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---|--|
| Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) - Fundamentals | Mechanism of action, patient selection, electrode targeting |
| Surgical Aspects of DBS | Preoperative planning, intraoperative monitoring, complications |
| DBS Programming & Follow-up | Stimulation settings, troubleshooting, long-term outcomes |
| Neuroimaging in Movement Disorders | MRI, PET scan, functional imaging |
| Ethical & Medicolegal Aspects | Informed consent, patient safety, ethical concerns |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient case reports, dissertation submission |

Program Outcome

| Outcome | Description |
|---|---|
| Proficiency in Movement Disorder Management | Diagnose and treat a range of movement disorders with medical and surgical interventions. |
| Expertise in DBS Procedures | Assist in DBS surgeries, programming, and postoperative care. |
| Neurophysiological & Neuroimaging Skills | Interpret EMG, EEG, and neuroimaging findings for patient assessment. |
| Botulinum Toxin Administration | Perform targeted botulinum toxin injections for movement disorders. |



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Course Outcome

| Outcome | Description |
|--|--|
| Diagnosis of Movement Disorders | Gain expertise in Parkinsonism, tremors, dystonia, and other conditions. |
| Deep Brain Stimulation Techniques | Understand patient selection, surgical techniques, and post-op management. |
| Advanced Neurophysiology | Utilize EMG and microelectrode recording for diagnostic accuracy. |
| Neuroimaging Proficiency | Apply imaging in diagnosis, treatment planning, and surgical execution. |

Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- **Section A:** MCQs (30 Marks)
- **Section B:** Short Answer Questions (30 Marks)
- **Section C:** Long Answer Questions (40 Marks)



Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|--|--|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Movement Disorders | 40 |
| DBS Surgery & Programming | Electrode targeting, device adjustments | 50 |
| Botulinum Toxin Therapy | Injection techniques, patient selection | 50 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |
| Viva Voce (Oral Examination) (Total: 100 Marks) | | |
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Movement Disorder Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in DBS | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Neurology | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Theory (Paper 1 & 2) | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Practical Exam | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Viva Voce | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Dissertation | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Total (Overall) | 600 | 50% Aggregate Required |

Additional Notes

- Candidates scoring **75% and above** will be awarded "**Distinction.**"
- Failure in Practical or Viva: Candidates must reappear for the failed component in the next cycle.



Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- Principles and Practice of Movement Disorders – Stanley Fahn
- Deep Brain Stimulation Management – William Anderson
- Botulinum Toxin Therapy Manual – Joseph Jankovic
- Atlas of EMG & Movement Disorders – Mark Hallett

Journals & E-Resources:

- **Movement Disorders Journal** – <https://movementdisorders.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/>
- **Journal of Neural Engineering** – <https://iopscience.iop.org/journal/1741-2552>
- **Neurology (AAN Journal)** – <https://n.neurology.org/>





Fellowship in Neuro Electrophysiology

Course Overview

The Fellowship in Neuro Electrophysiology is a one-year intensive program designed to train healthcare professionals in advanced neurophysiological techniques. The course focuses on electroencephalography (EEG), nerve conduction studies (NCS), electromyography (EMG), evoked potentials (EP), intraoperative neurophysiological monitoring (IONM), and clinical applications of neurophysiological assessments. It includes clinical rotations, hands-on training, and research projects.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|---------------|---|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MD/DNB in Neurology / Neurophysiology / Clinical Neurophysiology / Physiology / Internal Medicine |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in the interpretation and clinical application of neurophysiological tests.
- Gain proficiency in performing EEG, EMG, NCS, and EP techniques.
- Learn the principles of intraoperative neurophysiological monitoring (IONM).
- Master the diagnosis of neuromuscular disorders using electrophysiology.
- Understand the integration of neurophysiological data in clinical decision-making.
- Conduct research in neuro electrophysiology and apply evidence-based practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters, covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.

Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Neurophysiology

| Module | Topics Covered |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Principles of Neurophysiology | Neuronal signaling, electrophysiological concepts, instrumentation |
| Electroencephalography (EEG) | Normal & abnormal EEG patterns, seizure detection |
| Nerve Conduction Studies (NCS) | Peripheral nerve assessment, conduction velocity analysis |
| Electromyography (EMG) | Needle EMG techniques, motor unit potential analysis |



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| Module | Topics Covered |
|------------------------|---|
| Evoked Potentials (EP) | VEP, SSEP, BAEP, MEP principles & clinical applications |
| Clinical Rotations | Hands-on experience in EEG, NCS, EMG, EP |

Semester 2: Advanced Neurophysiology & Special Cases

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---|--|
| Advanced EEG & Seizure Monitoring | Long-term EEG, video EEG, ICU EEG monitoring |
| Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring (IONM) | Spinal cord, brainstem, and cranial nerve monitoring |
| Neuromuscular Disorders & Electrophysiology | ALS, myasthenia gravis, peripheral neuropathies |
| Pediatric & Neonatal Neurophysiology | Neonatal EEG, pediatric EMG, congenital disorders |
| Ethical & Medicolegal Aspects | Patient consent, safety regulations, malpractice prevention |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient case reports, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Program Outcome | Description |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Expertise in Neurophysiology | Perform and interpret EEG, EMG, NCS, and EP studies. |
| Advanced IONM Skills | Utilize intraoperative monitoring to prevent neurological deficits. |
| Diagnosis of Neuromuscular Disorders | Apply electrophysiological tests for accurate diagnoses. |
| Research & Evidence-Based Practices | Conduct research and integrate findings into clinical practice. |

Course Outcomes

| Course Outcome | Description |
|------------------------------|--|
| EEG & Seizure Monitoring | Interpret EEG for epilepsy and encephalopathy cases. |
| NCS & EMG Techniques | Diagnose peripheral nerve and muscle disorders. |
| Evoked Potentials | Assess sensory and motor pathways using EP techniques. |
| IONM & Surgical Applications | Monitor neurophysiological function during surgeries. |



Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- Section A (MCQs – 30 Marks)
- Section B (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)
- Section C (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)

Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|----------------------------|---|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Neurophysiology Cases | 40 |
| EEG & Seizure Monitoring | Hands-on assessment of EEG interpretation | 50 |
| NCS & EMG Techniques | Hands-on skill demonstration | 50 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |

Viva Voce (Oral Examination) (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Neurophysiology Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in Neurophysiology | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Neurophysiology | 30 |



Research/Dissertation Submission (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Theory (Paper 1 & 2) | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Practical Exam | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Viva Voce | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Dissertation | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Total (Overall) | 600 | 50% Aggregate Required |

Additional Notes

- To pass the fellowship, a minimum of 50% marks in each section (Theory, Practical, Viva, and Dissertation) is required.
- Distinction: Candidates scoring 75% and above will be awarded "Distinction."
- Failure in Practical or Viva: If a candidate fails in the practical or viva, they must reappear for the failed component in the next examination cycle.

Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- Electroencephalography: Basic Principles, Clinical Applications, and Related Fields – Niedermeyer & da Silva
- Clinical Neurophysiology: A Practical Approach – Devon I. Rubin
- Electrodiagnosis in Diseases of Nerve and Muscle – Preston & Shapiro
- Evoked Potentials in Clinical Medicine – Misulis & Head
- Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring – Aage R. Møller

Journals & E-Resources:

- Clinical Neurophysiology – <https://www.journals.elsevier.com/clinical-neurophysiology>
- Journal of Clinical Neurophysiology – <https://journals.lww.com/clinicalneurophysiology>
- European Journal of Neurology – <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/14681331>
- International Federation of Clinical Neurophysiology – <https://www.ifcn.info/>



Fellowship in Cognitive & Behavioural Neurology

Course Overview

The Fellowship in Cognitive & Behavioural Neurology is a one-year specialized program designed to train healthcare professionals in the assessment, diagnosis, and management of cognitive and behavioral disorders. The course covers neurodegenerative diseases, neuropsychiatric conditions, cognitive rehabilitation, neuroimaging techniques, and emerging therapies. The program integrates clinical training, research, and hands-on experience in neurocognitive assessment and interventions.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|----------------------|--|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MD/DNB in Neurology / Psychiatry / Internal Medicine |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in diagnosing and managing cognitive and behavioral neurological disorders.
- Gain proficiency in neurocognitive assessments and neuropsychological testing.
- Master the use of neuroimaging and electrophysiological techniques in cognitive disorders.
- Learn cognitive rehabilitation strategies and behavioral therapy approaches.
- Understand the neurobiology and genetics of neurodegenerative diseases.
- Conduct research in cognitive and behavioral neurology and apply evidence-based practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.

Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Cognitive Neurology

| Module | Topics Covered |
|--|--|
| Principles of Cognitive Neurology | Brain-behavior relationships, neuroanatomy of cognition |
| Neurocognitive Assessments | Standardized tests, MMSE, MoCA, ADAS-Cog |
| Neurodegenerative Disorders | Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Frontotemporal dementia |
| Neuropsychiatric Disorders | Depression, anxiety, schizophrenia with cognitive impairment |
| Neuroimaging & | MRI, PET, fMRI, EEG applications in cognition |



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| Module | Topics Covered |
|--------------------|--|
| Electrophysiology | |
| Clinical Rotations | Hands-on experience in cognitive clinics |

Semester 2: Advanced Cognitive & Behavioral Neurology

| Module | Topics Covered |
|--|--|
| Advanced Dementia Syndromes | Vascular dementia, Lewy body dementia |
| Movement Disorders & Cognition | Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease |
| Cognitive Rehabilitation & Therapy | Pharmacological & non-pharmacological approaches |
| Genetics & Biomarkers in Cognitive Disorders | Genetic testing, CSF biomarkers |
| Ethical & Medicolegal Aspects | Capacity assessment, consent issues, ethics in dementia care |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient case reports, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Program Outcome | Description |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Expertise in Cognitive Neurology | Diagnose and manage various cognitive and behavioral neurological disorders. |
| Advanced Neurocognitive Assessment | Conduct and interpret neuropsychological and cognitive assessments. |
| Proficiency in Neuroimaging & EEG | Utilize imaging techniques for diagnosing cognitive impairments. |
| Cognitive Rehabilitation Mastery | Implement evidence-based rehabilitation strategies. |
| Ethical & Medicolegal Acumen | Ensure compliance with ethical standards in cognitive neurology. |

Course Outcomes

| Course Outcome | Description |
|---|---|
| Cognitive Disorder Diagnosis | Gain expertise in assessing and diagnosing dementia and related conditions. |
| Neuropsychiatric Disorder Management | Understand the overlap between neurology and psychiatry in cognitive disorders. |
| Neuroimaging & Electrophysiology Skills | Develop proficiency in EEG, MRI, and PET for cognitive evaluation. |
| Cognitive Rehabilitation | Learn pharmacological and non-pharmacological |



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| Course Outcome | Description |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Techniques | interventions. |
| Genetics & Biomarkers Application | Interpret genetic tests and biomarker data for cognitive disorders. |

Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- Section A (MCQs – 30 Marks)
- Section B (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)
- Section C (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)

Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Cognitive Disorders | 40 |
| Neurocognitive Testing | Hands-on assessment with standardized tools | 50 |
| Neuroimaging & EEG Interpretation | MRI, PET, EEG analysis | 50 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |



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Viva Voce (Oral Examination)

(Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|--|---|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Cognitive Neurology Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in Cognitive Neurology | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Dementia Care | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission

(Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

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Additional Notes

- Candidates must secure a minimum of 50% in each section (Theory, Practical, Viva, and Dissertation) to pass.
- **Distinction:** Candidates scoring 75% and above will be awarded "Distinction."
- **Re-exam Policy:** Candidates failing in Practical or Viva must reappear in the next examination cycle.



Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- Principles of Behavioral and Cognitive Neurology – M.-Marsel Mesulam
- The Dementias: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Research – Serge Gauthier
- Neuropsychological Assessment – Muriel D. Lezak
- The Cognitive Neurosciences – Michael S. Gazzaniga
- Handbook of Neuropsychology – François Boller

Journals & E-Resources:

- Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience – <https://www.mitpressjournals.org/journal/jocn>
- Alzheimer's & Dementia Journal – <https://alz-journals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/>
- Neuropsychologia – <https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/neuropsychologia>





Fellowship in Pediatric Neurosurgery

Course Overview

The **Fellowship in Pediatric Neurosurgery** is a one-year intensive program designed to provide specialized training in the diagnosis, surgical management, and postoperative care of pediatric neurosurgical conditions. The fellowship focuses on congenital and acquired disorders of the brain, spine, and peripheral nerves in neonates, infants, children, and adolescents. The program includes clinical rotations, hands-on surgical training, simulation-based learning, and research projects.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|---------------|--|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MS/DNB in General Surgery or MCh/DNB in Neurosurgery |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in pediatric neurosurgical procedures and perioperative management.
- Gain proficiency in neuroimaging interpretation and diagnosis of pediatric neurosurgical conditions.
- Master microsurgical techniques and minimally invasive approaches in pediatric neurosurgery.
- Learn comprehensive management of congenital CNS malformations, hydrocephalus, and neuro-oncology cases.
- Understand surgical interventions for epilepsy, spasticity, and craniofacial anomalies.
- Enhance decision-making, critical care, and rehabilitation strategies in pediatric neurosurgery.
- Conduct research and contribute to advancements in pediatric neurosurgical practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters, covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.



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Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Pediatric Neurosurgery

| Module | Topics Covered |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Principles of Pediatric Neurosurgery | Neurodevelopment, neuroanatomy, pathophysiology |
| Pediatric Neuroimaging | MRI, CT, ultrasound, functional imaging |
| Hydrocephalus & CSF Disorders | Shunting procedures, endoscopic third ventriculostomy (ETV) |
| Congenital Malformations | Spina bifida, Chiari malformations, craniosynostosis |
| Pediatric Neurotrauma | Management of TBI, skull fractures, spinal injuries |
| Clinical Rotations – OR & ICU | Hands-on patient care experience |

Semester 2: Advanced Pediatric Neurosurgery & Critical Procedures

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Pediatric Neuro-Oncology | Brain tumors, spinal cord tumors, surgical resection techniques |
| Epilepsy Surgery | Cortical mapping, hemispherectomy, vagal nerve stimulation (VNS) |
| Spasticity & Movement Disorders | Selective dorsal rhizotomy (SDR), deep brain stimulation (DBS) |
| Pediatric Spinal Disorders | Tethered cord syndrome, scoliosis, spinal dysraphism |
| Ethical & Legal Aspects | Informed consent, pediatric medico-legal considerations |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient studies, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Program Outcome | Description |
|--|--|
| Proficiency in Pediatric Neurosurgery | Perform surgical management for various pediatric neurosurgical conditions. |
| Advanced Neuroimaging Interpretation | Utilize imaging for diagnosis, preoperative planning, and intraoperative guidance. |
| Expertise in Hydrocephalus & CSF Disorders | Master techniques like ventriculoperitoneal shunting and ETV. |
| Pediatric Neuro-Oncology Surgery | Develop skills in tumor resection, stereotactic biopsy, and adjuvant therapies. |
| Surgical Management of Epilepsy | Execute cortical resections and neuromodulation procedures. |



Course Outcomes

| Course Outcome | Description |
|--|--|
| Pediatric Neurosurgical Techniques | Learn advanced surgical management for congenital and acquired conditions. |
| Neuroimaging & Diagnosis | Gain expertise in MRI, CT, and intraoperative imaging. |
| Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery | Develop proficiency in endoscopic and stereotactic techniques. |
| Cranial & Spinal Procedures | Understand surgical approaches for congenital and acquired spinal anomalies. |
| Pediatric Neurosurgical Rehabilitation | Manage postoperative care and neurorehabilitation strategies. |

Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- Section A (MCQs – 30 Marks)
- Section B (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)
- Section C (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)



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Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Pediatric Neurosurgical Cases | 40 |
| Surgical Techniques | Endoscopic, Open, and Minimally Invasive Procedures | 50 |
| Neuroimaging Interpretation | MRI, CT Scan, Ultrasound | 30 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |
| Cranial & Spinal Surgery Simulation | Neurosurgical Approaches | 40 |

Viva Voce (Oral Examination) (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|---|---|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Pediatric Neurosurgical Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in Pediatric Neurosurgery | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medico-Legal Ethics in Pediatric Neurosurgery | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Theory (Paper 1 & 2) | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Practical Exam | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Viva Voce | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Dissertation | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Total (Overall) | 600 | 50% Aggregate Required |



Additional Notes

- To pass the fellowship, a minimum of 50% marks in each section (Theory, Practical, Viva, and Dissertation) is required.
- **Distinction:** Candidates scoring 75% and above will be awarded "Distinction."
- **Failure in Practical or Viva:** Candidates failing in practical or viva must reappear for the failed component in the next examination cycle.

Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- **Pediatric Neurosurgery** – James Tait Goodrich
- **Youmans Pediatric Neurosurgery** – H. Richard Winn
- **Neurosurgery of Infants and Children** – Anthony J. Raimondi
- **Principles of Pediatric Neurosurgery** – A. Leland Albright, Ian F. Pollack
- **Handbook of Pediatric Neurosurgery** – George I. Jallo

Journals & E-Resources:

- Journal of Neurosurgery: Pediatrics – <https://thejns.org/pediatrics>
- Pediatric Neurosurgery – <https://www.karger.com/Journal/Home/224170>
- Child's Nervous System – <https://www.springer.com/journal/381>





Fellowship in Vascular Neurosurgery

Course Overview

The Fellowship in Vascular Neurosurgery is a one-year specialized training program designed to equip neurosurgeons with expertise in diagnosing and managing cerebrovascular disorders. The course focuses on both open and endovascular neurosurgical techniques for conditions such as aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations (AVMs), ischemic strokes, and other neurovascular diseases. It includes hands-on surgical training, clinical rotations, simulation-based practice, and research opportunities.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|---------------|---|
| Eligibility | MCh/DNB in Neurosurgery |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop proficiency in open microsurgical and endovascular techniques for vascular neurosurgery.
- Gain expertise in perioperative management of cerebrovascular patients.
- Master techniques for aneurysm clipping, AVM resection, and bypass procedures.
- Learn and perform advanced endovascular procedures like coiling, stenting, and embolization.
- Understand neurocritical care principles and post-operative monitoring in vascular cases.
- Conduct research in vascular neurosurgery and apply evidence-based practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters, covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.



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Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Vascular Neurosurgery

| Module | Topics Covered |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Principles of Vascular Neurosurgery | Cerebrovascular anatomy, pathophysiology, and imaging |
| Open Vascular Neurosurgery | Aneurysm clipping, AVM resection, bypass surgery |
| Endovascular Neurosurgery | Catheter-based interventions, embolization, stenting |
| Ischemic Stroke Management | Carotid stenosis, thrombectomy techniques, medical therapy |
| Neurocritical Care | Perioperative monitoring, post-operative management |
| Clinical Rotations – OR & ICU | Hands-on patient care experience |

Semester 2: Advanced Vascular Neurosurgery & Complex Procedures

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Advanced Aneurysm Management | Giant aneurysms, flow-diversion, hybrid procedures |
| Pediatric Vascular Neurosurgery | Moyamoya disease, pediatric aneurysms, AVMs |
| Spinal Vascular Disorders | Spinal dural AV fistulas, AVMs |
| Stroke and Revascularization | Extracranial-intracranial (EC-IC) bypass |
| Ethical & Legal Aspects | Informed consent, medico-legal considerations |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient studies, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Program Outcome | Description |
|--|--|
| Proficiency in Vascular Neurosurgery | Perform surgical and endovascular interventions for cerebrovascular diseases. |
| Expertise in Open & Endovascular Techniques | Develop skills in microsurgery, aneurysm clipping, embolization, and stenting. |
| Advanced Neurocritical Care | Manage perioperative care, hemodynamic stability, and stroke protocols. |
| Research & Innovation | Conduct clinical research, case studies, and apply evidence-based approaches. |



Course Outcomes

| Course Outcome | Description |
|--|--|
| Aneurysm & AVM Management | Master surgical and endovascular techniques for aneurysms and AVMs. |
| Stroke Intervention | Perform endovascular thrombectomy and bypass techniques for stroke patients. |
| Neurovascular Imaging & Diagnosis | Interpret DSA, CTA, MRI, and MRA for cerebrovascular diseases. |
| Hybrid Vascular Neurosurgery | Integrate open and endovascular procedures in complex cases. |

Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- **Section A (MCQs – 30 Marks)**
- **Section B (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)**
- **Section C (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)**



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Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Vascular Neurosurgery Cases | 40 |
| Advanced Microsurgical Techniques | Aneurysm Clipping, AVM Resection | 50 |
| Endovascular Procedures | Coiling, Stenting, Embolization | 50 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |
| Bypass Surgery | EC-IC, STA-MCA Bypass | 40 |

Viva Voce (Oral Examination) (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|--|---|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Vascular Neurosurgery Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in Vascular Neurosurgery | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Neurosurgery | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Theory (Paper 1 & 2) | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Practical Exam | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Viva Voce | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Dissertation | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Total (Overall) | 600 | 50% Aggregate Required |



Additional Notes

- To pass the fellowship, a minimum of 50% marks in each section (Theory, Practical, Viva, and Dissertation) is required.
- **Distinction:** Candidates scoring 75% and above will be awarded "Distinction."
- **Failure in Practical or Viva:** If a candidate fails in the practical or viva, they must reappear for the failed component in the next examination cycle.

Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- **Cohen-Gadol's Comprehensive Vascular Neurosurgery**
- **Rhoton's Cranial Anatomy and Surgical Approaches**
- **Spetzler's Neurosurgical Operative Atlas: Vascular Neurosurgery**
- **Endovascular Surgical Neuroradiology – Vinuela et al.**
- **Microsurgical Anatomy and Surgery of the Central Skull Base – Al-Mefty**

Journals & E-Resources:

- **Journal of Neurosurgery** – <https://thejns.org/>
- **Stroke (AHA)** – <https://www.ahajournals.org/journal/str>
- **Neurosurgery Journal** – <https://academic.oup.com/neurosurgery>
- **World Neurosurgery** – <https://www.worldneurosurgery.org/>
- **Cerebrovascular Surgery E-Library** – <https://www.eneurovascular.com/>





Fellowship in Minimal Invasive Neurosurgery

Course Overview

The Fellowship in Minimal Invasive Neurosurgery is a one-year intensive program designed to train healthcare professionals in advanced techniques for minimally invasive neurosurgical procedures. The program covers endoscopic, keyhole, and microsurgical approaches for cranial and spinal conditions, integrating cutting-edge technology and patient-centered care. It includes clinical rotations, simulation training, and research projects.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|---------------|---|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MCh/DNB in Neurosurgery |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in minimally invasive neurosurgical techniques.
- Gain proficiency in endoscopic and keyhole neurosurgical approaches.
- Learn the use of neuronavigation and intraoperative imaging.
- Master advanced microsurgical skills.
- Understand patient selection and perioperative management for minimally invasive procedures.
- Enhance decision-making and procedural skills.
- Conduct research in minimally invasive neurosurgery and apply evidence-based practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules

The one-year program is structured into two semesters, covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.

Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Techniques

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---|---|
| Principles of Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery | Introduction, history, and advancements in the field |
| Endoscopic Neurosurgery | Endoscopic techniques for skull base and ventricular procedures |
| Keyhole Neurosurgery | Supraorbital, retrosigmoid, and other approaches |



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| Module | Topics Covered |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Spinal Minimal Invasive Surgery | Tubular retraction, percutaneous fixation, endoscopic discectomy |
| Neuro-navigation & Imaging | Intraoperative imaging, neuronavigation techniques |
| Clinical Rotations – OR & ICU | Hands-on patient care experience |

Semester 2: Advanced Procedures & Specialized Applications

| Module | Topics Covered |
|--|--|
| Advanced Endoscopic Surgery | Endonasal approaches, third ventriculostomy, pituitary surgeries |
| Minimally Invasive Spinal Surgery | MISS techniques, lateral and oblique approaches |
| Perioperative & Postoperative Management | Patient selection, complication management |
| Robotics & Artificial Intelligence | Technological advancements in neurosurgery |
| Ethical & Legal Aspects | Informed consent, medico-legal considerations |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient studies, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Program Outcome | Description |
|--|---|
| Proficiency in Minimal Invasive Neurosurgery | Perform endoscopic, keyhole, and minimally invasive spinal procedures. |
| Expertise in Neuronavigation & Imaging | Utilize real-time imaging for precision in neurosurgical procedures. |
| Advanced Microsurgical Techniques | Master microdissection and anastomosis under high magnification. |
| Robotics & AI in Neurosurgery | Integrate emerging technologies in neurosurgical interventions. |
| Research & Innovation | Conduct evidence-based research and contribute to neurosurgical advancements. |



Course Outcomes

| Course Outcome | Description |
|----------------------------|--|
| Endoscopic Neurosurgery | Master endoscopic approaches for cranial and spinal procedures. |
| Keyhole Neurosurgery | Gain expertise in keyhole surgeries for skull base and brain tumors. |
| Advanced Spinal Surgery | Learn minimally invasive approaches for spinal decompression and fusion. |
| Neuronavigation & Robotics | Implement precision-guided neurosurgical techniques. |
| Research & Case Studies | Develop research proficiency and contribute to scientific publications. |

Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
| Clinical & Practical Exam (Case-Based Discussion, OSCE) | 30% |
| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- Section A (MCQs – 30 Marks)
- Section B (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)
- Section C (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)



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Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|------------------------------|--|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Minimally Invasive Cases | 40 |
| Endoscopic & Keyhole Surgery | Hands-on Practical Techniques | 50 |
| Neuronavigation & Imaging | Application in Surgery | 30 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |
| Spinal MISS Procedures | Simulation & Real-Case Scenarios | 40 |

Viva Voce (Oral Examination)

(Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|--------------------------------|---|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Neurosurgery | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission

(Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Theory (Paper 1 & 2) | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Practical Exam | 200 | 50% (100/200) |
| Viva Voce | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Dissertation | 100 | 50% (50/100) |
| Total (Overall) | 600 | 50% Aggregate Required |



Additional Notes

- A minimum of 50% marks in each section (Theory, Practical, Viva, and Dissertation) is required to pass.
- **Distinction:** Candidates scoring 75% and above will be awarded "Distinction."
- **Failure in Practical or Viva:** Candidates must reappear for the failed component in the next examination cycle.

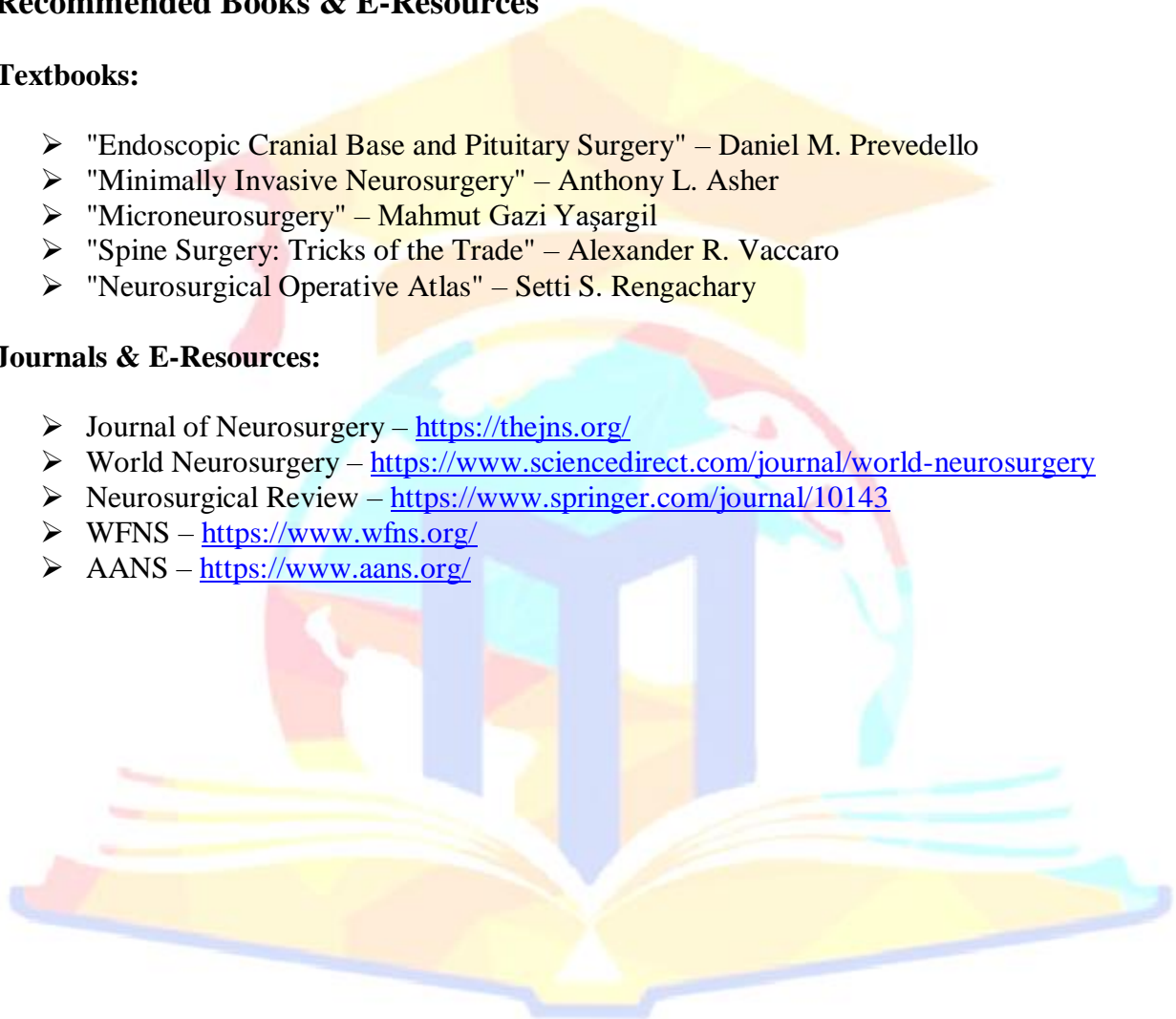
Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- "Endoscopic Cranial Base and Pituitary Surgery" – Daniel M. Prevedello
- "Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery" – Anthony L. Asher
- "Microneurosurgery" – Mahmut Gazi Yaşargil
- "Spine Surgery: Tricks of the Trade" – Alexander R. Vaccaro
- "Neurosurgical Operative Atlas" – Setti S. Rengachary

Journals & E-Resources:

- Journal of Neurosurgery – <https://thejns.org/>
- World Neurosurgery – <https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/world-neurosurgery>
- Neurosurgical Review – <https://www.springer.com/journal/10143>
- WFNS – <https://www.wfns.org/>
- AANS – <https://www.aans.org/>





Fellowship in Skull Base Neurosurgery

Course Overview

The Fellowship in Skull Base Neurosurgery is a one-year intensive program designed to train healthcare professionals in the specialized surgical management of skull base pathologies. The course focuses on minimally invasive and open approaches, neurovascular techniques, microsurgery, endoscopic interventions, and critical care management. It includes clinical rotations, hands-on training, and research projects.

Prerequisites

| Criteria | Details |
|---------------|---|
| Eligibility | MBBS with MCh/DNB in Neurosurgery |
| Duration | 1 Year (Full-Time) |
| Mode of Study | Clinical, Theoretical, Hands-on Training |
| Assessment | Theory, Practical Exams, Clinical Logbook, Research Project |

Course Objectives

- Develop expertise in the surgical management of skull base tumors and vascular lesions.
- Gain proficiency in perioperative patient care and advanced imaging techniques.
- Learn microsurgical and endoscopic approaches to skull base surgery.
- Master the use of intraoperative navigation and neurophysiological monitoring.
- Understand skull base anatomy and surgical corridors.
- Enhance decision-making and procedural skills in complex skull base cases.
- Conduct research in skull base neurosurgery and apply evidence-based practices.

Curriculum with Semester-wise Syllabus & Modules The one-year program is structured into two semesters, covering theoretical concepts, clinical training, and research.

Semester 1: Fundamentals & Core Skull Base Neurosurgery

| Module | Topics Covered |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Skull Base Anatomy & Imaging | Radiological techniques, 3D reconstructions, preoperative planning |
| Microsurgical Techniques | Instrumentation, suturing, dissection techniques |
| Endoscopic Skull Base Surgery | Basic endoscopic approaches, transnasal corridors |
| Neurovascular Surgery | Aneurysm clipping, bypass techniques, AVM management |
| Clinical Rotations – OR & ICU | Hands-on patient care experience |



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Semester 2: Advanced Skull Base Neurosurgery & Critical Procedures

| Module | Topics Covered |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Tumor Surgery | Meningiomas, schwannomas, pituitary tumors |
| Cranial Nerve Disorders | Management of trigeminal neuralgia, hemifacial spasm |
| Complex Skull Base Approaches | Combined approaches, petroclival lesions |
| Neurovascular Interventions | Skull base aneurysms, dural AV fistulas |
| Ethical & Legal Aspects | Informed consent, medical negligence |
| Research Project & Case Studies | Literature review, patient studies, dissertation submission |

Program Outcomes

| Outcome | Description |
|--|---|
| Proficiency in Skull Base Surgery | Perform complex neurosurgical procedures involving the skull base. |
| Advanced Imaging & Navigation | Interpret radiological findings and utilize neuronavigation tools. |
| Expertise in Neurovascular Techniques | Manage vascular skull base pathologies using microsurgical and endoscopic methods. |
| Intraoperative Monitoring & Navigation | Apply neurophysiological monitoring for improved surgical precision. |
| Tumor & Cranial Nerve Surgery | Execute intricate surgical procedures involving tumors and cranial nerve disorders. |

Course Outcomes

| Outcome | Description |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Skull Base Surgical Techniques | Master various skull base approaches for tumor and vascular lesions. |
| Microsurgery & Endoscopy | Gain expertise in microsurgical and endoscopic techniques for skull base pathologies. |
| Neurovascular Interventions | Learn advanced techniques for treating aneurysms, AVMs, and bypass procedures. |
| Cranial Nerve Surgery | Develop proficiency in surgical management of cranial nerve compression syndromes. |
| Advanced Patient Management | Handle perioperative care and critical interventions in skull base neurosurgery. |



Credits & Assessment Methods

Total Credits: 40

| Component | Credits |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Theory & Lectures | 10 |
| Clinical Rotations & Case Studies | 10 |
| Hands-on Training & Procedures | 10 |
| Research & Dissertation | 10 |

Assessment Pattern

| Assessment Type | Weightage |
|---|-----------|
| Theory Examination (MCQs, Long & Short Answer) | 30% |
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| Clinical Logbook & Case Reports | 20% |
| Research Presentation & Dissertation | 20% |

Passing Criteria: Minimum 50% in each component to qualify.

Exam Pattern

Theory Examination

- Section A (MCQs – 30 Marks)
- Section B (Short Answer Questions – 30 Marks)
- Section C (Long Answer Questions – 40 Marks)

Practical Examination

| Component | Details | Marks |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------|
| Clinical Case Presentation | Diagnosis & Management of Skull Base Cases | 40 |
| Microsurgical & Endoscopic Techniques | Instrumentation, Skill Demonstration | 50 |
| Neurovascular Interventions | Aneurysm clipping, bypass techniques | 30 |
| OSCE | Clinical Scenarios, Skill Demonstration | 40 |
| Tumor Excision Simulation | Skull Base Tumor Resection | 40 |



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Viva Voce (Oral Examination) (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Details | Marks |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------|
| Case Presentations | Discussion on Skull Base Surgery Cases | 50 |
| Recent Advances in Skull Base Surgery | Journal Article Discussion | 20 |
| Ethical & Legal Considerations | Medical Ethics in Neurosurgery | 30 |

Research/Dissertation Submission (Total: 100 Marks)

| Component | Marks |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Originality & Scientific Merit | 30 |
| Methodology & Data Analysis | 30 |
| Presentation & Discussion | 20 |
| Conclusion & Clinical Relevance | 20 |

Final Weightage & Passing Criteria

| Exam Component | Total Marks | Minimum Passing Marks |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
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Recommended Books & E-Resources

Textbooks:

- "Skull Base Surgery: Strategies" – Robert F. Spetzler
- "Microsurgical Anatomy of the Skull Base" – Albert L. Rhoton Jr.
- "Endoscopic Skull Base Surgery" – Ricardo L. Carrau
- "Neurosurgical Operative Atlas: Skull Base Surgery" – Laligam N. Sekhar
- "Atlas of Skull Base Surgery and Neurotology" – Robert K. Jackler



Journals & E-Resources:

- Journal of Neurosurgery – <https://thejns.org/>
- Skull Base Journal – <https://www.thieme.com/>
- World Neurosurgery – <https://www.worldneurosurgery.org/>
- Neurosurgery Journal – <https://academic.oup.com/neurosurgery>
- Congress of Neurological Surgeons – <https://www.cns.org/>

