



Planning and Quality Assurance Affairs

Course Specifications

Course name	Endocrine system
Course number	MDCN3412
Faculty	
Department	
Course type	Major Needs
Course level	3
Credit hours (theoretical)	3
Credit hours (practical)	1
Course Prerequisites	

Course Objectives

- 1 Describe the anatomical and histological structure, development, and function of the different organs of the endocrine system
- 2 Describe the various pathologic diseases affecting the endocrine system and understand their mechanisms.
- 3 Describe drugs used in the treatment of various endocrine diseases and discuss the epidemiology of those diseases, their prevention and control

Intended Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and Understanding		Demonstrate a sufficient understanding of the structural organization and functions of the following systems of the human body: circulatory, respiratory, gastrointestinal, endocrine, hematopoietic & lymphatic, musculoskeletal, nervous, and genitourinary systems
	*	Conceptualize the cellular, molecular, genetic, and biochemical mechanisms that maintain body's homeostasis and their derangements in disease states.
Intellectual Skills	*	Apply their knowledge of human anatomy and function to solve questions regarding major clinical cases and disease
Professional Skills	*	Demonstrate proficiency in performing clinical skills and procedure
General Skill	*	Communicate ideas and arguments effectively
	*	Respect superiors, colleagues and any other members of the health profession.

Course Contents

- 1 Anatomy of hypothalamus and hypophysis. Anatomy of the endocrine glands (thyroid, parathyroid, thymus and adrenal gland)
- 2 Embryology of endocrine gland
- 3 Histology of endocrine system
- 4 Hypothalamus releasing factors and neurohypophysis of the pituitary gland hormones
- 5 Pathology of adenohypophysis and neurohypophysis of the pituitary gland Pharmacology of hypothalamic and hypophysis hormones
- 6 Introduction biochemical endocrinology Signal transduction, 2nd messengers and receptors:
- 7 Mechanism of hormone actions
- 8 Biochemical aspects of thyroid hormones metabolism
- 9 Pathology of thyroid and parathyroid glands
- 10 Pharmacology of parathyroid
- 11 Diabetes mellitus and insulin
- 12 Insulin and oral hypoglycaemic agents
- 13 Pathology of the adrenal gland
- 14 Autoimmune diseases of the endocrine system

Teaching and Learning Methods

- 1 interactive lectures
- 2 case scenario simulation of common clinical cases
- 3 videos and simulation labs

Teaching and Learning Methods for the Disabled Students

- 1 Help each student according to his needs and his condition
- 2 Lectures

Students Assessment

Assessment Method	<u>TIME</u>	MARKS
paper 1 exam	60	50
paper 2 exam	60	35
practical exam	50	15

Books and References

Course note	doctors lectures notes	
Essential books	- Clinical anatomy by systems, R.S. Snell, (latest edition)	
	- Textbook of Medical Physiology, by Guyton and Hall, (latest edition)	
	- Pharmacology, Lippincott's Illustrated Review, (latest edition)	
	- Basic Histology, by L.Carlos Junqueira, Jose Carneiro, Bobert O. Kelley, (latest edition)	
Recommended books	- Review of Medical Microbiology and Immunology, Levinson, W. (latest edition)	