Course title	Clinical Specialities: Gastroenterology, Endocrinology						
Course code	GEMD-401						
Course type	Required						
Level	Undergraduate						
Year / Semester	Year 4 / Sem	Year 4 / Semester 7/8 (rotation)					
Teacher's name	Course Lead: TBA						
	60	Teaching Periods per Week					
ECTS		Large Group Learning	Small Group Learning	Clinical Practice			
		6	2	30			
Course purpose and objectives	The main objectives of the last two years of the five-year medical programme are to provide students with extensive experience in the clinical environment, mainly in hospitals but also in the community, so that they can utilise their learning over the previous three years to practise their clinical, communication, diagnostic and reasoning skills on real patients, and to learn about the management of patients, from a medical, therapeutic, surgical, psychosocial an caring perspective.  In this course, students will spend five weeks working primarily with patients with gastrointestinal (including liver and pancreas) and endocrine disorders.  They will develop an understanding of the presentation, signs and symptoms, physical examination findings, investigations, diagnosis, treatment (medical and/or surgical as appropriate) and management plan for common gastrointestinal and endocrine disorders.  The students will learn how to take detailed histories from, carry out systematic clinical examination of, and interpret laboratory and imaging data on patients						
	with disorders of the GI and endocrine systems. The students will gain a basic understanding of the application and type of information to be obtained from different methods of investigation. They will also spend time in theatre observing gastrointestinal and endocrine surgery.						
	At the end of the course, the student will be able to:						
Learning outcomes	1. Take a focused history from a patient, or relative of a patient, presenting with a gastrointestinal (including liver and pancreatic) or endocrine disorder, in a sensitive and caring manner						
	2. Carry out a sensitive physical examination as part of investigation of the presenting complaint						
	3. Discuss a differential diagnosis for the presenting complaint						

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	4. Apply their knowledge of basic and clinical science to identify and explain appropriate investigations, including sputum, blood, urine and faecal tests, imaging, fine needle aspiration, and biopsy to assist in the diagnosis of the presenting complaint and to interpret the results from such tests						
	5. Prepare and explain a treatment management plan for the patient to present to the responsible clinician to include medical, pharmacological, surgical options as appropriate						
	6. Observe, and where appropriate carry out or assist with, medical and surgical procedures relating to patients with gastrointestinal and endocrine conditions, planned and opportunistic						
	7. Prescribe medications to treat patients with gastrointestinal and endocrine disorders and make appropriate therapeutic/management decisions.						
Prerequisites	None			Required	None		
	Common presentations affecting the gastrointestinal and endocrine systems including:						
	acute and chronic abdominal pain						
	gastrointestinal bleeding						
Course content	• inflammatory bowel disorders						
	diseases of the liver and biliary tract						
	oesophageal, gastric, colonic and rectal cancer						
	<ul> <li>endocrine disorders of the hypothalamus, pituitary, thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal and pancreas</li> </ul>						
Teaching methodology	The course is delivered by clinical placements, lectures, tutorials, case studies and group discussions.						
	Required textbooks/reading						
	Authors	Title	Edition	Publisher	Year	ISBN	]
Bibliography	Logan, R,	ABC of the		BMJ Books	2002	0727912666	
	Harris, A, Misiewicz, J &	Upper Gastrointestinal					
	Baron, J	Tract,					
	Smith, Margaret E & Morton, Dion G	Digestive system: basic science and clinical conditions	2nd	Churchill Livingstone	2000	97818810416 41	-
	Wass J Arlt W, Semple R	Oxford Textbook of Endocrinology and Diabetes	3rd	Oxford University Press	2021	97801988701 97	

	Holt, EH, Lupsa, B, Lee, GS,	Goodman's Basic Medical Endocrinology	5th	Elsevier	2021	97801281584 49
	Bassyouni, H, Peery, H					
	Joint Formulary Committee	https://bestpr tice.bmj.com/ ugs		BMJ Group and Pharmaceu tical Press.	t year	
	National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence	https://www.i ce.org.uk/guic nce			Curren t year	
	Recommended textbooks/reading					
	Authors	Title	Edition	Publisher	Year	ISBN
	Hall I	Gastrointestinal Tract Disorders: Diagnosis and Treatment	1st	Barnes & Noble	2021	9781639872535 4
Assessment	End of year exam and end of year OSCE. The written assessment will be Single Best Answer MCQs and Short Answer Questions. Workplace based assessments will take place during the attachment.					
Language	English					