

**Circular Letter No. 76/2018**

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Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
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Colombo 7.  
24<sup>th</sup> July 2018

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo,  
Directors of Teaching Provincial & General Hospitals,  
Medical Superintendents / Base Hospitals,  
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,  
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya/  
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**MSc IN BIOMEDICAL INFORMATICS (SEMESTER IV) EXAMINATION –  
AUGUST-2018**

1. The above examination will commence on **31<sup>st</sup> August 2018** and it will be held in Colombo.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the examination.
  - a) Demonstrate at least 80% attendance for lecture sessions and laboratory work during the 4<sup>th</sup> semester
  - b) Submit satisfactory progress reports of the research project.
3. The final examination shall consist of two parts, i.e
  - (I) Dissertation
  - (II) Viva Voce
  - 3.a) Dissertation should be submitted on or before 06<sup>th</sup> August 2018 to the Examination branch.
  - 3.b) Viva shall comprise a presentation by the candidate and a 20 minutes discussion based on the dissertation submitted by the candidate.
4. The candidate will have to obtain a minimum of Grade C to pass the examination.

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5. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MSc examination are required to be present for the first scheduled examination after completion of the training programme. If a candidate does not apply or does not sit the first scheduled examination or subsequent scheduled examinations for reason not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be considered as attempts.
6. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the MSc which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of the first examination.** However, after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one year further training before permitted the sixth attempt.
7. There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus.
8. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows:
  - (a) Application fee - Rs. 2,000.00 (Non Refundable)
  - (b) Registration fee - Rs. 5,000.00 (Non Refundable)
  - (c) Examination fees - Rs. 30,000.00 (Refundable)
  - (d) Assessment fee of dissertation - Rs. 5,000.00 (Non Refundable)

***(Only online payments through the PGIM online portal will be acceptable)***  
(Candidates from non-state sector will be charged 50% more of the above listed fees)
9. The application form can be downloaded from the website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk>.
10. Applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/ Examinations, PGIM. No. 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw, Colombo 7 **on or before 06<sup>th</sup> August 2018.** The envelope should be marked "Application for MSc Biomedical Informatics Semester IV Examination" at the top left hand corner **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
11. Please refer the new regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health web site – [www.health.gov.lk](http://www.health.gov.lk)
12. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
13. **There shall be no repeat or additional exam inations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2018.**
14. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University

15. The candidates will be issued an **“Examination Feedback Form”** with the admission documents. Feedback in Part II should be limited to concerns, if any, regarding the conduct of the examination (eg. perceived biases, discriminatory behaviour, harassment, intimidation) and NOT regarding the format or content of the examination. The form should be sent back to Director/PGIM under confidential cover **within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination. No concerns regarding the examination will be entertained after 48 hours of conclusion of the examination or following the release of results** nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.
16. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updated details.

*H. J. de Silva*

Professor H Janaka De Silva  
**Director/ PGIM**

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition.
  2. Director General of Health Services
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  6. PGIM Library
  7. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.