

Summary Year 3 Assessment Factsheet

Assessment for each year of the MBBS course takes the same overall scheme of sections parts or papers (A-E) summarised here. Details for year 3 follow below. A glossary is provided at the end of the factsheet.

Overall format for all years MBBS

Section A Continuous assessment including

- Placements & Professionalism Assessment Forms
- In Course assessments (ICAs)

Section B Written Examination

Section C Data Interpretation Examination

Section D OSCE Examination

Section E Annual SSC hurdle

Details of Year 3 Assessment

Section 3A Continuous assessment

i) Completion of placements- **GP Tutors complete online Assessment Forms** for each of their students at the end of the placement (including attendance – **please keep a register**). GP tutors will be emailed a link by Laurette Dudney CBME Malta. Students must also complete the **Continuity Exercise** – Identify and follow-up a patient with an acute exacerbation of a on two occasions and section in logbook. This feeds into overall the completion of the Year 3 modules. Access to Care reflective Task (online) and Nutrition teaching (online) - completion confirmed on Assessment Form.

ii) Three In-Course Assessments (ICAs) in December, March and June (Written exam: Data interpretation 25% + Single Best Answer / Short Answer 75%). Students need average >50% to progress to end of year exams. Example questions can be found on the student Rogo platform. (Sent as separate PDF files)

iii) Completion and overall sign off of **Logbooks**.

- Observed focused history taking – 5 to be completed in GP3
- Observed examinations – 5 to be completed in GP3
- PBL 2 cases in GP3.
- Practical skills / procedures (listed in logbook)
- Continuity Exercise (in logbook)

Section 3B - Written Examination

Single Best Answer paper

Example questions can be found on the student [Rogo platform](#) in the or external resources such as Passtest and PassMed.

Part 3C - Data interpretation

Single Best Answer just on data interpretation

Part 3D – Clinical examination

OSCE exam comprises of stations that include:

i) Physical examination stations* E.g.

- Cardiovascular
- Respiratory
- Abdominal
- Endocrine-thyroid exam, visual field (pituitary adenoma)

ii) History taking stations* E.g.

- History about a symptom e.g. breathlessness
- History about a specific condition e.g. review of asthma
- A social history from a patient

iii) Information giving/ethics stations E.g.

- Explaining a new medication eg inhaler
- Explaining a procedure/referral
- Advising on lifestyle advice

iv) Practical procedures station

Aligns with GMC Outcomes for Graduates Practical Procedures (2018) list. List found in logbooks.

Procedures to consider completing in Primary Care include

- Blood pressure
- Urine dipstick
- Subcutaneous or intramuscular injections
- Applying nebulisers and oxygen

OSCE stations are either 7.5 or 10 minutes long.

*For examination and history taking stations, the last minute of the station is usually spent summarising the case to the examiner and/or answering a question related to the station.

Example stations can be accessed on websites such as www.geekymedics.com that also have marking checklists.

Part 3E – Student Selected Component SSC (NO GP SSC in MALTA)

Completion of two SSCs during year 3. Please see year 3 SSC handbook and relevant area of QMplus. In Malta, these SSCs will be completed on hospital placement.