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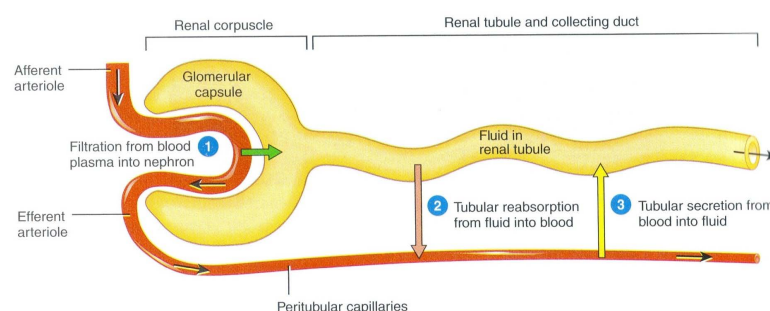
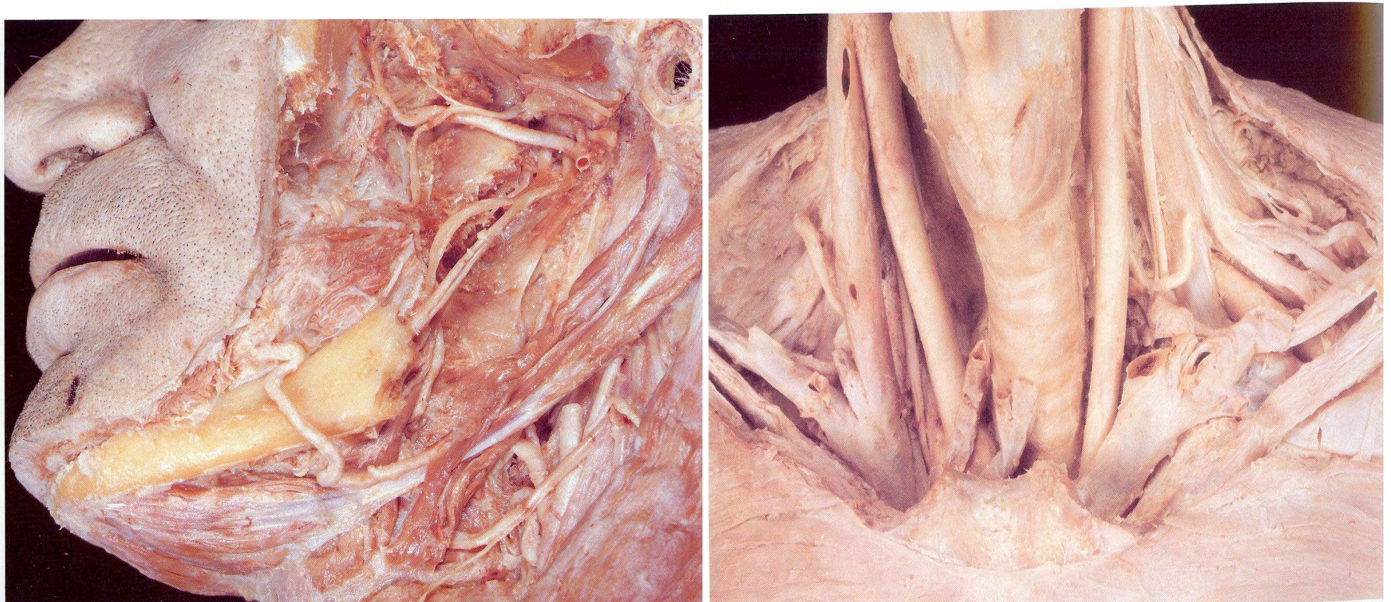
This course is structured to help improve candidates' performance in the MRCS Part B examination via practice sessions with 'mock' MRCS OSCE stations and discussions with examiners on the pitfalls and problems commonly encountered during the examination process.

## Learning outcomes

On completion of this course, it is intended that the participants will be able to:

- . Describe the knowledge and skills required to pass the MRCS OSCE
- . Describe the structure of a typical MRCS OSCE
- . Describe the common areas of failure associated with the examination
- . Identify their strengths & weaknesses relating to skills & knowledge covered by the MRCS OSCE
- . Utilise effective examination techniques for an OSCE

A total of 18 candidates attended this two day course. The days comprised of all the individual components - anatomy, pathology, critical care/physiology, clinical examination and communication skills, and clinical and procedural skills - as tested in the exam. The candidates benefitted from attending the course as reflected in the collated feedback summarised in the subsequent pages.



# Course Programme

## Day 1 Programme

08.30 Welcome, registration and refreshments

09.00 Format of the MRCS and marking scheme

Mr Chelliah Selvasekar

09.15 How to improve your anatomy

Mr Thomas Redfern

09.30 How to improve your communication skills

Mr Ajay Sharma

Mr Paul Sutton

09.45 Discussion and OSCE preparation

Mr Ian Hawthorn

10.00 Refreshment break

10.20 OSCE examination stations

<b>Group 1</b> Communication 1	<b>Group 2</b> Communication 2	<b>Group 3</b> Communication 3
<b>Group 4</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	<b>Group 5</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	<b>Group 6</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 3

10.55 OSCE examination stations

<b>Group 1</b> Communication 2	<b>Group 2</b> Communication 3	<b>Group 3</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 1
<b>Group 4</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	<b>Group 5</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	<b>Group 6</b> Communication 1

11.30 OSCE examination stations

<b>Group 1</b> Communication 3	<b>Group 2</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	<b>Group 3</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 2
<b>Group 4</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	<b>Group 5</b> Communication 1	<b>Group 6</b> Communication 2

12.05 OSCE examination stations

<b>Group 1</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	<b>Group 2</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	<b>Group 3</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 3
<b>Group 4</b> Communication 1	<b>Group 5</b> Communication 2	<b>Group 6</b> Communication 3

12.40 Lunch

13.20 OSCE examination stations

<b>Group 1</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	<b>Group 2</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	<b>Group 3</b> Communication 1
<b>Group 4</b> Communication 2	<b>Group 5</b> Communication 3	<b>Group 6</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 1

13.55 OSCE examination stations

<b>Group 1</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	<b>Group 2</b> Communication 1	<b>Group 3</b> Communication 2
<b>Group 4</b> Communication 3	<b>Group 5</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	<b>Group 6</b> Anatomy/Surgical Path 2

14.30 Comfort break

14.35 Radiology for MRCS

Dr Rohit Kochar

15.35 Coffee break

15.55 Mock anatomy exam models

Mr Pradip Datta

Mr Stuart Enoch

Dr Ingrid Goldsborough

Mr Thomas Redfern

17.55 Close of Day 1

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## Day 2 Programme

08.00 Basic needs in critical care for surgeons

Dr Vidya Kaspandian

09.00 OSCE examination stations

**Group 1** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

**Group 3** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3

**Group 5** Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

**Group 2** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

**Group 4** Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

**Group 6** Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

09.35 OSCE examination stations

**Group 1** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

**Group 3** Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

**Group 5** Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

**Group 2** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3

**Group 4** Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

**Group 6** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

10.10 OSCE examination stations

**Group 1** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3

**Group 3** Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

**Group 5** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

**Group 2** Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

**Group 4** Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

**Group 6** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

10.45 Refreshment break

11.05 OSCE examination stations

**Group 1** Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

**Group 3** Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

**Group 5** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

**Group 2** Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

**Group 4** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

**Group 6** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3

11.40 OSCE examination stations

**Group 1** Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

**Group 3** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

**Group 5** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3

**Group 2** Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

**Group 4** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

**Group 6** Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

12.15 OSCE examination stations

**Group 1** Clinical/Procedural Skills 3

**Group 3** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2

**Group 5** Clinical/Procedural Skills 1

**Group 2** Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1

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**Group 6** Clinical/Procedural Skills 2

12.50 Lunch

13.35 Tips for OSCE's - the trainee perspective

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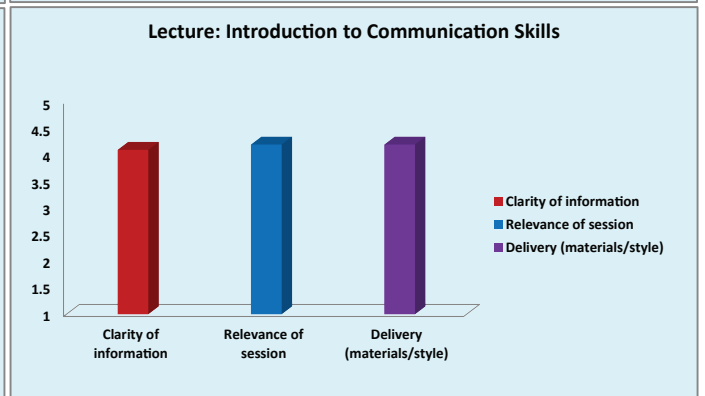
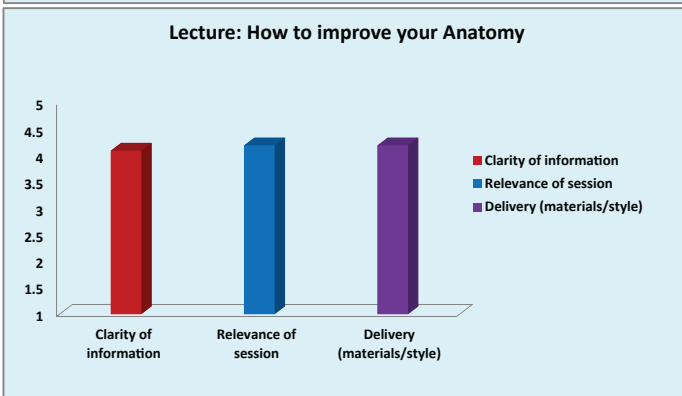
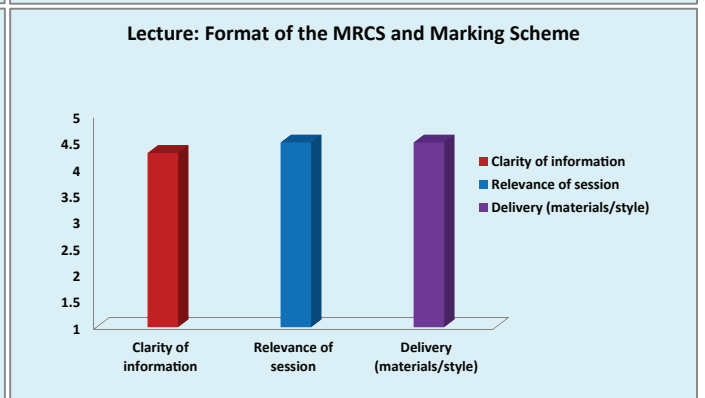
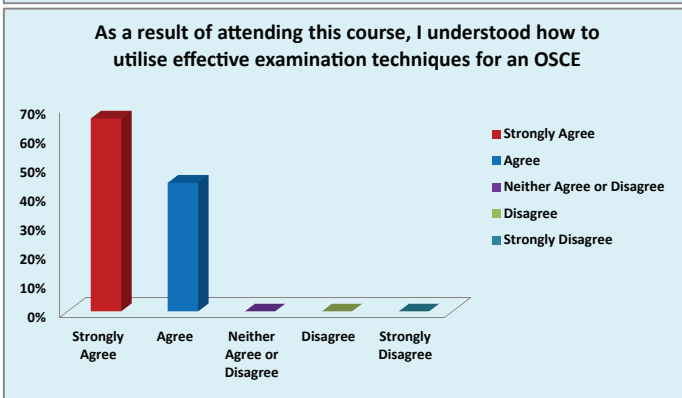
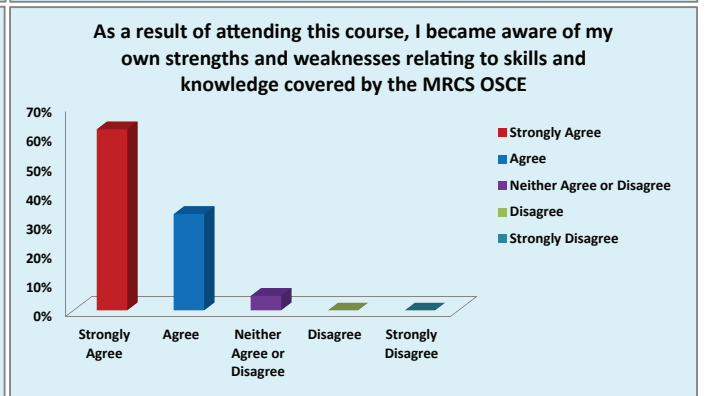
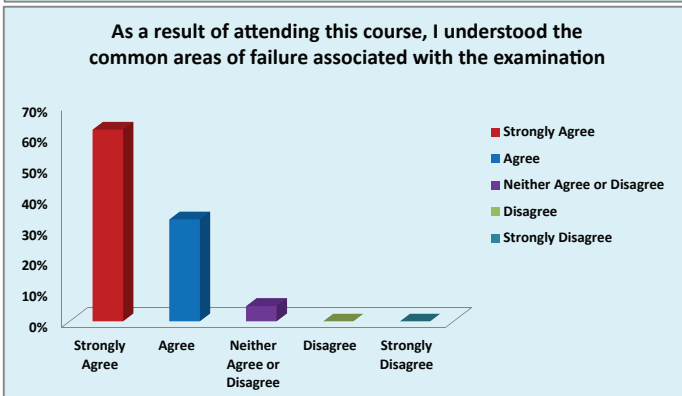
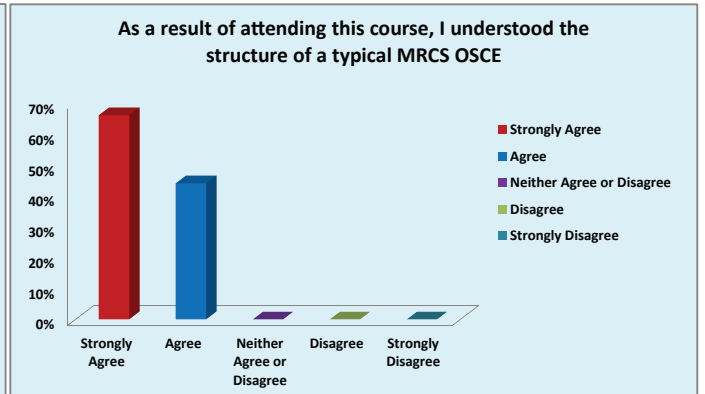
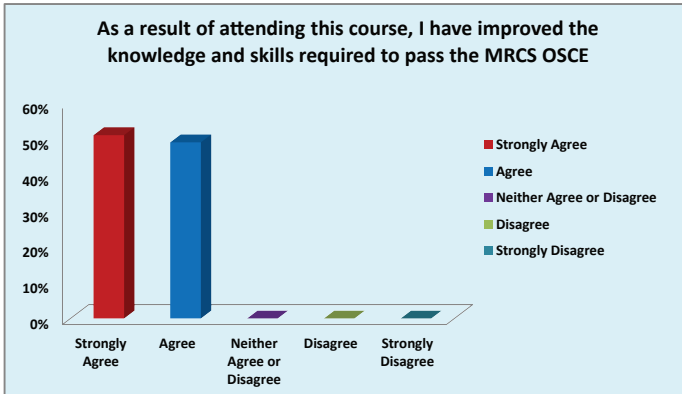
14.00 Simulated viva practice

Mr Pradip Datta

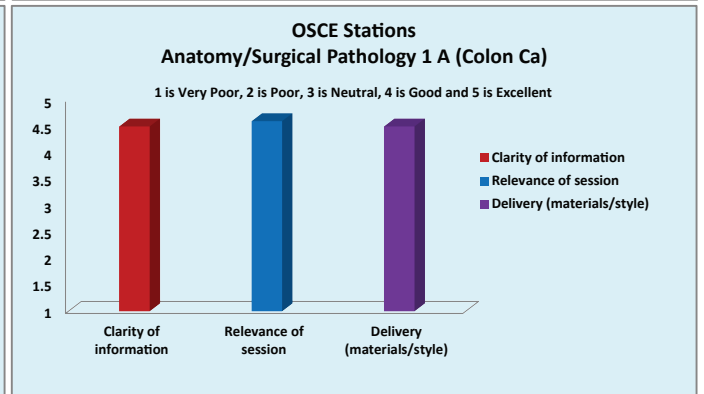
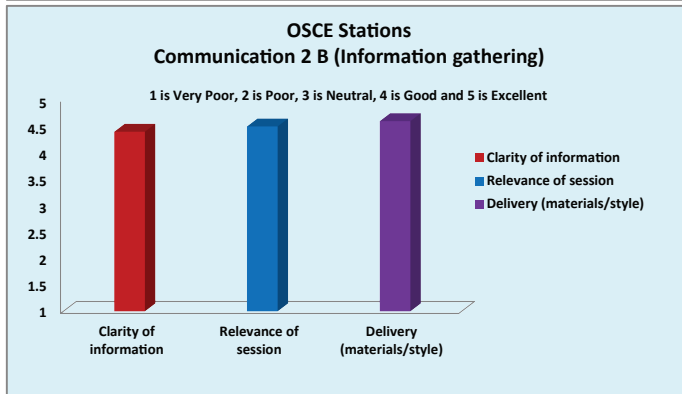
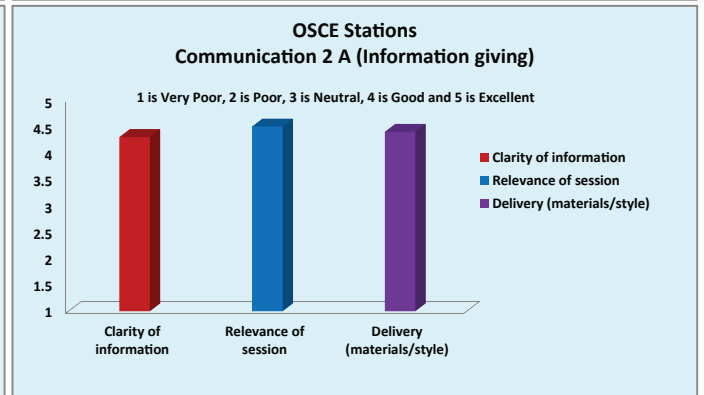
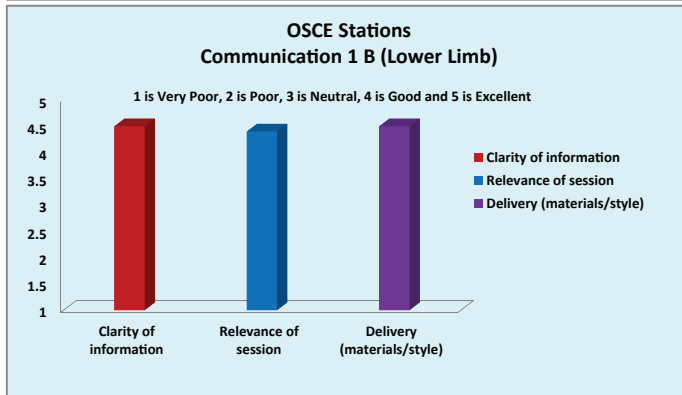
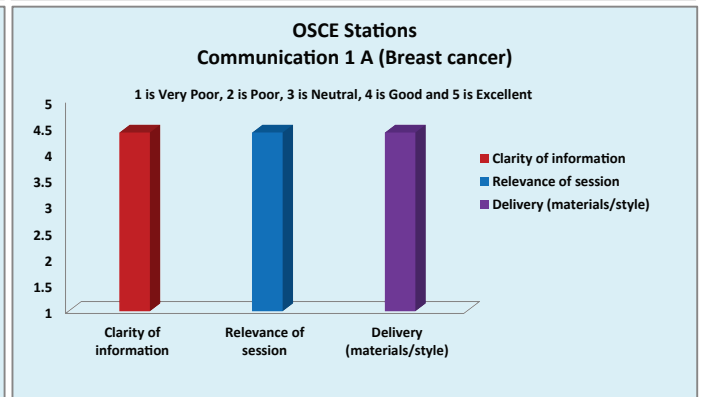
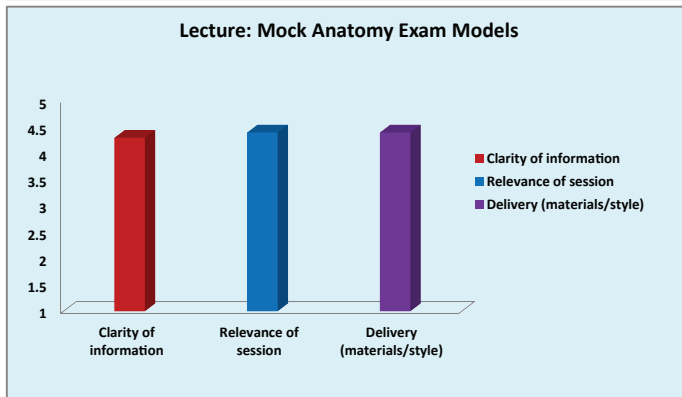
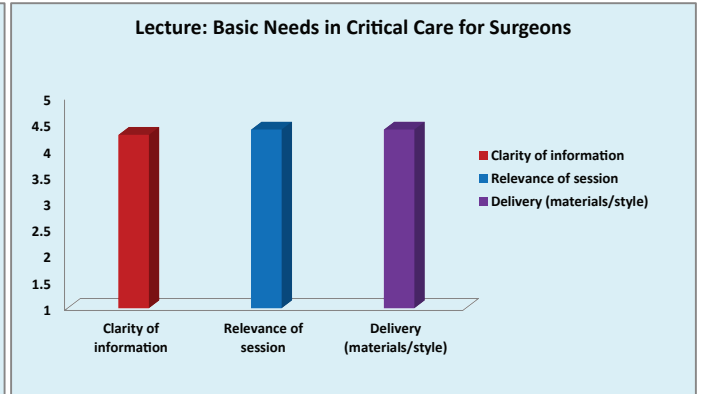
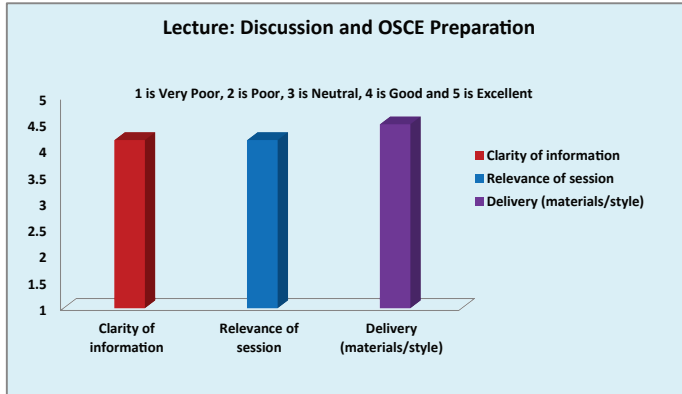
16.30 Feedback and discussion

16.45 Close

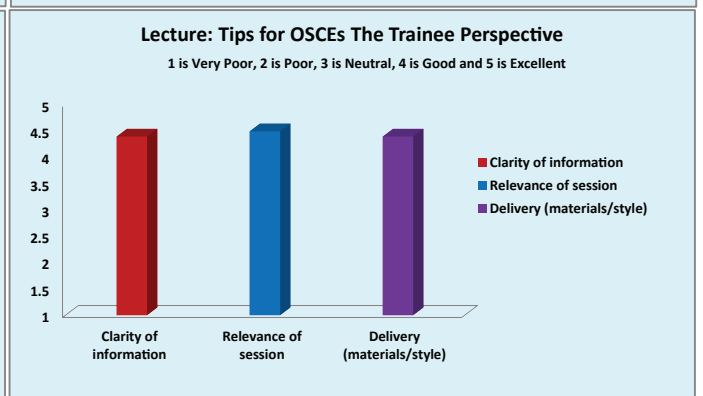
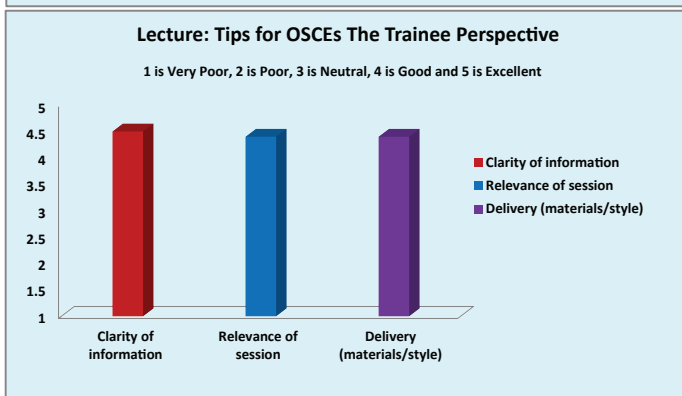
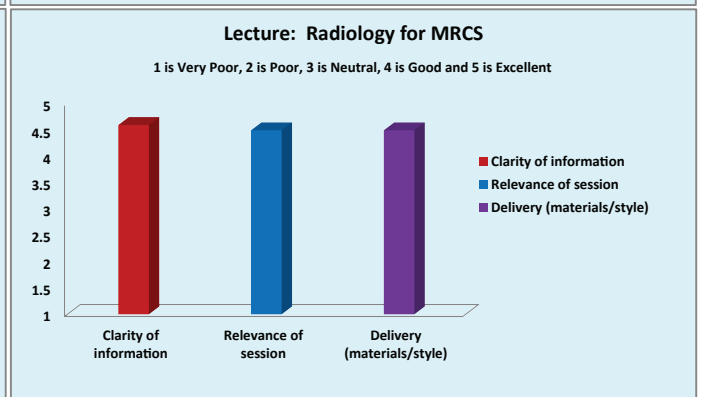
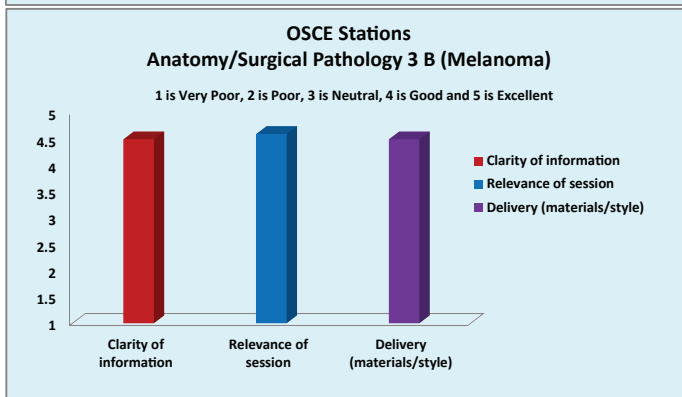
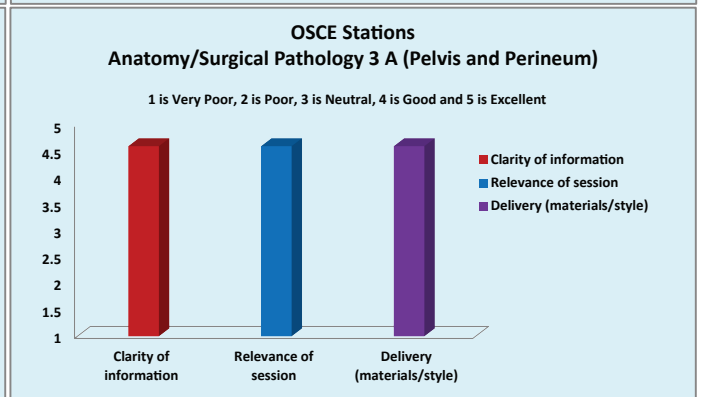
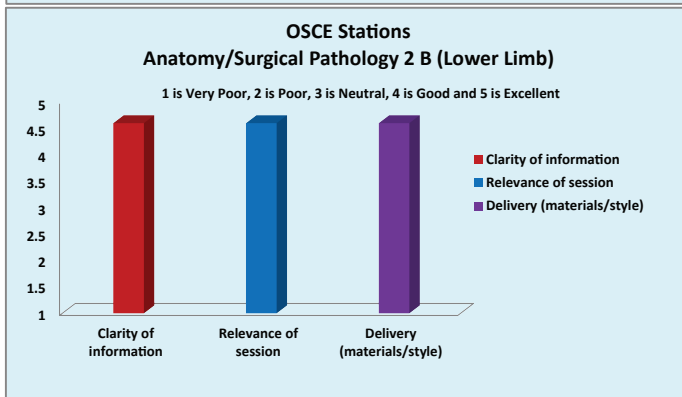
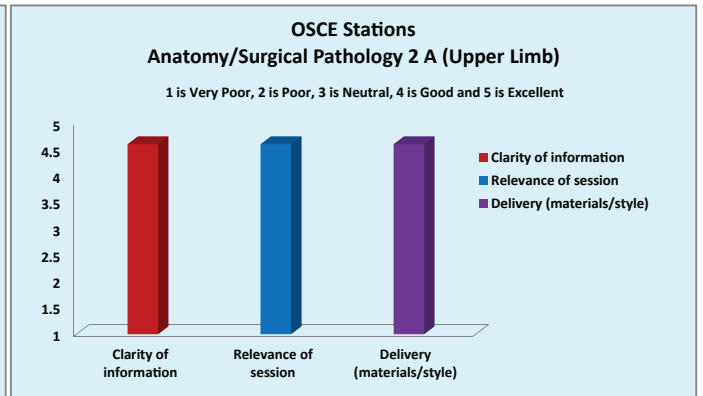
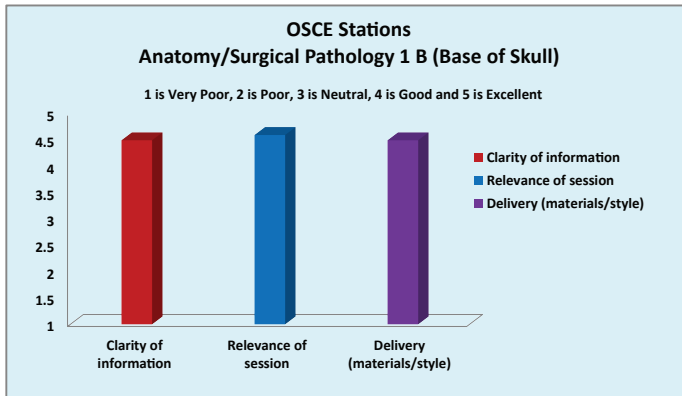
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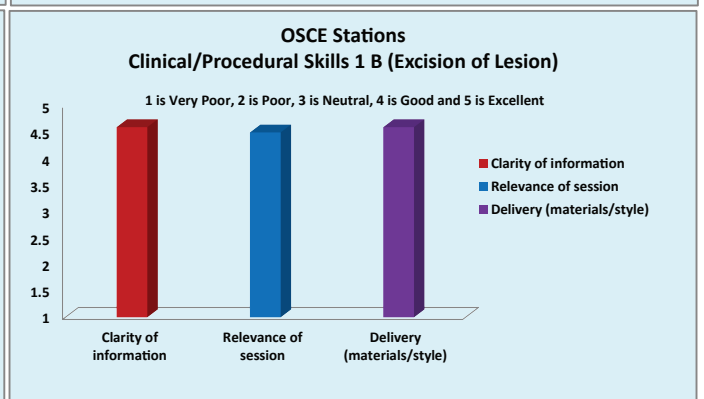
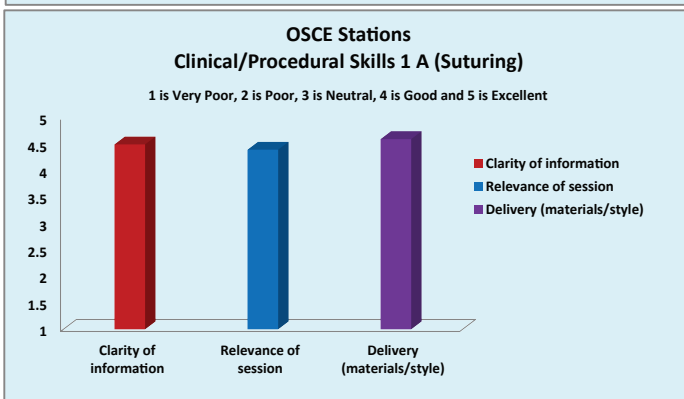
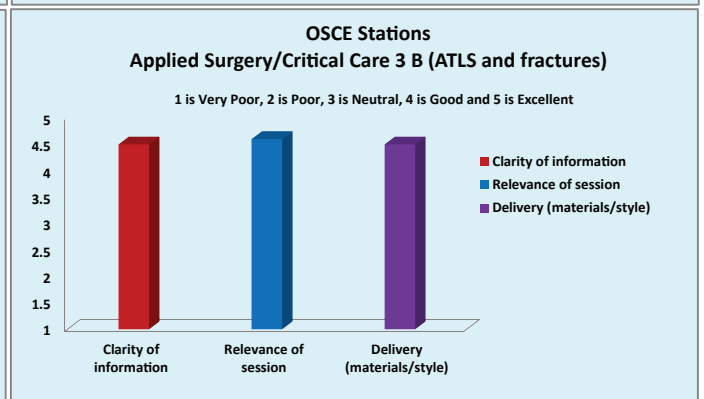
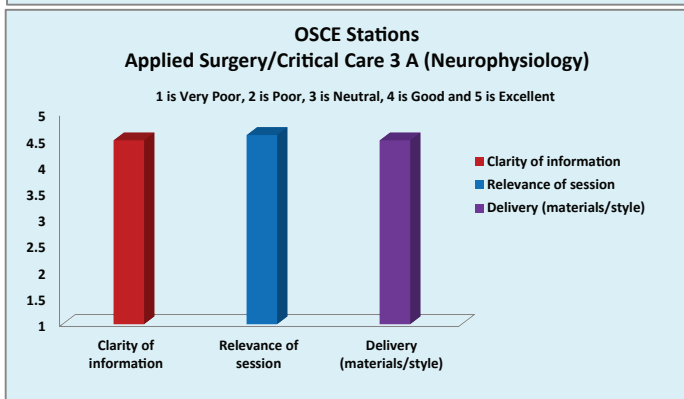
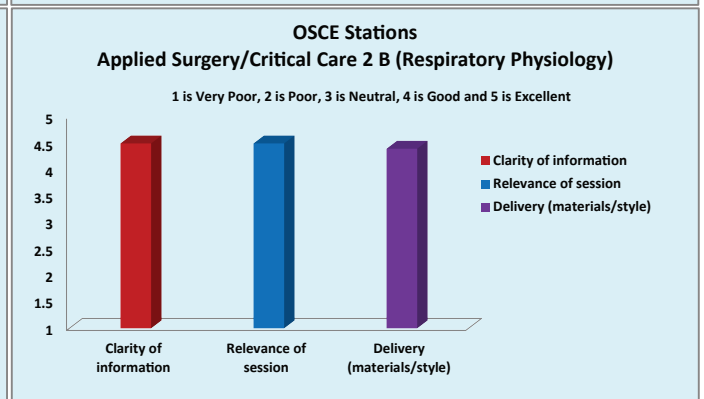
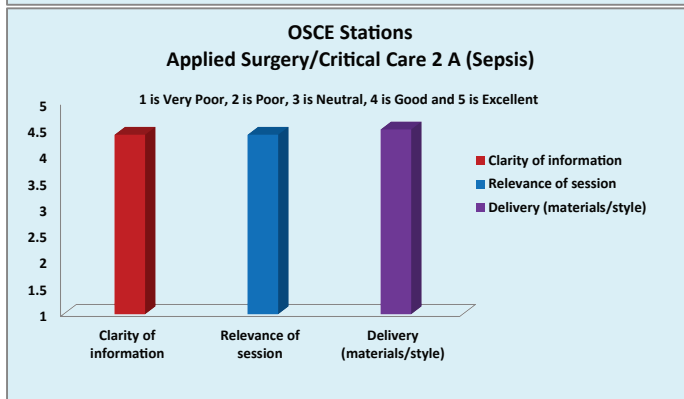
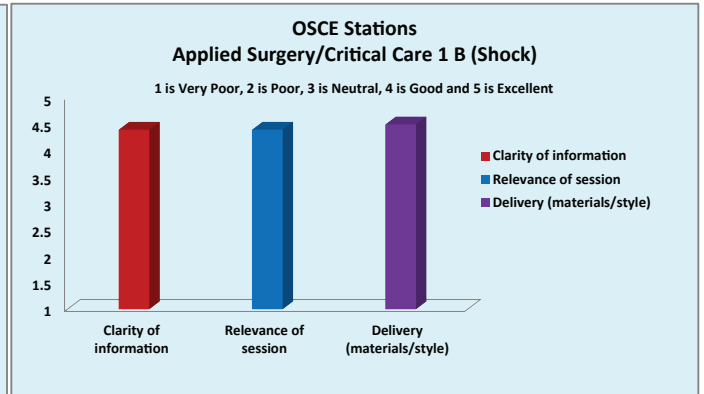
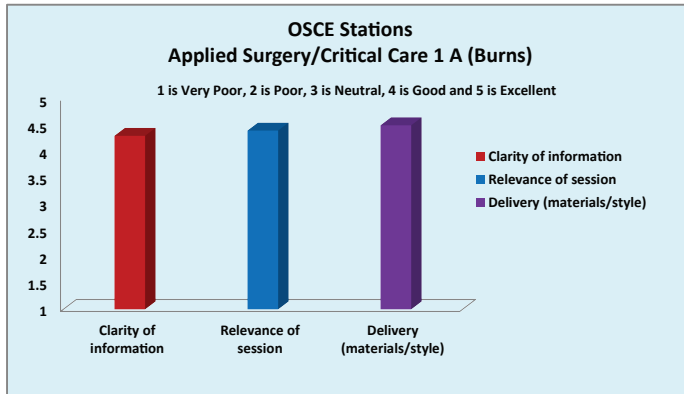
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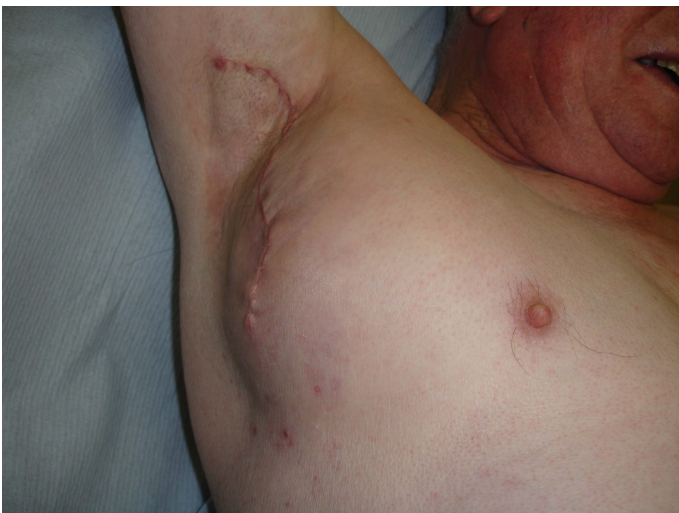
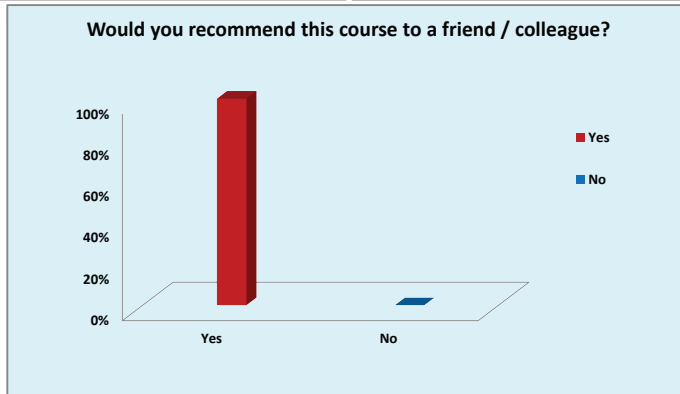
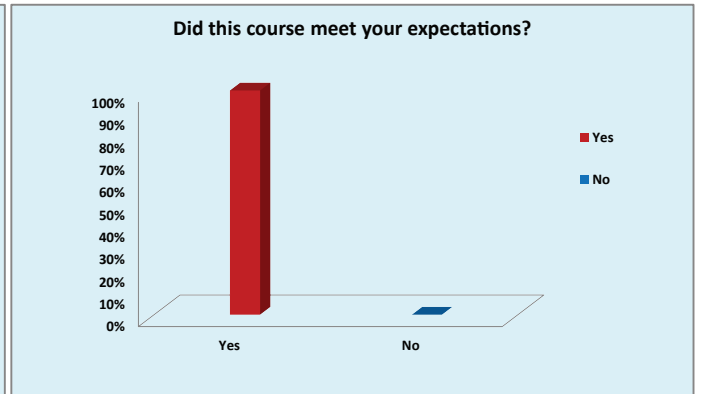
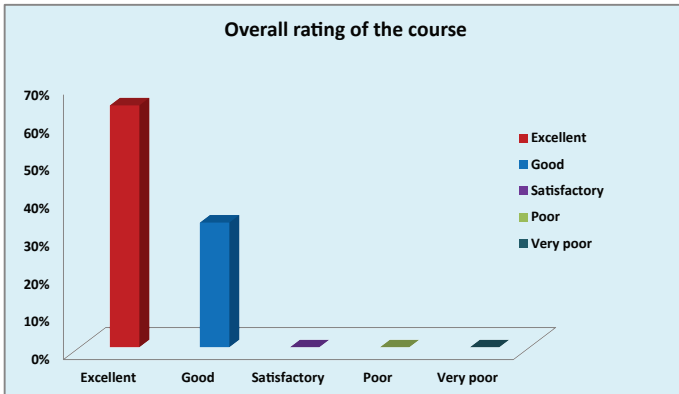
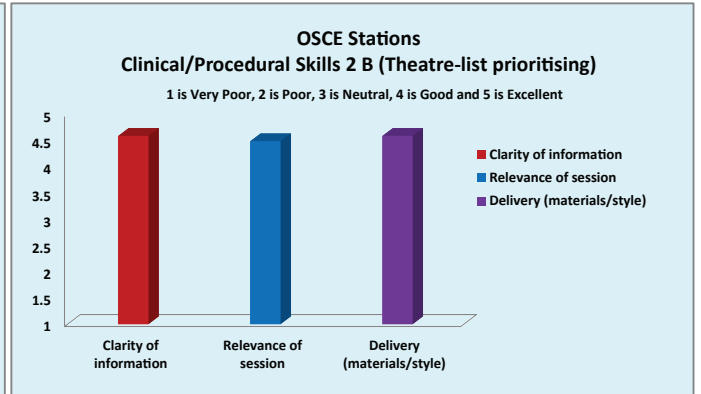
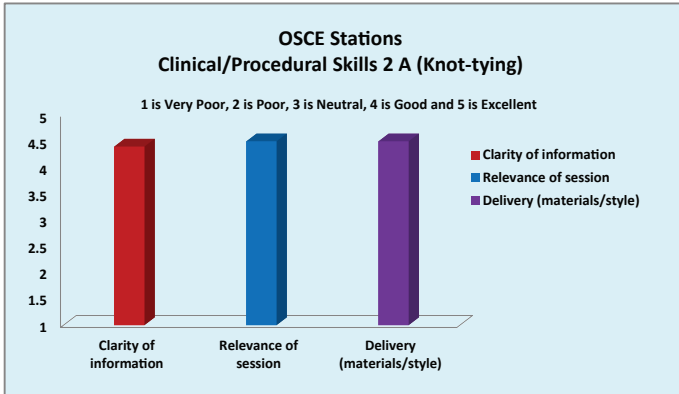


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# Comments

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- *Very good course, thoroughly enjoyed.*
- *Very good, thank you!*
- *Thank you for your time. Very useful course.*
- *Thank you so much.*
- *Very useful, I learned a lot.*
- *Enjoyed group work, anatomy viva style stations and suturing practice stations.*
- *Approachable examiners, very exam like and informative feedback.*
- *Very similar to the real exam.*
- *Very friendly environment x2 and effective presentations and tips.*
- *Enjoyed practicing on real patients.*
- *Good idea to allow everyone to participate in the session and also have feedback.*
- *Very helpful faculty.*
- *Useful and relevant stations and practice.*
- *Good exposure.*





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