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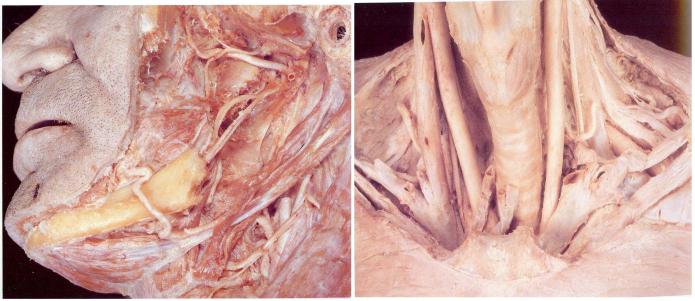
This course is structured to help improve candidates' performance in the MRCS Part B examination via practice sessions with 'mock' MRCS OSCE stations and discussions with examiners on the pitfalls and problems commonly encountered during the examination process.

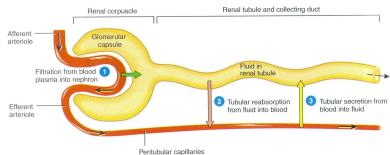
#### Learning outcomes

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.



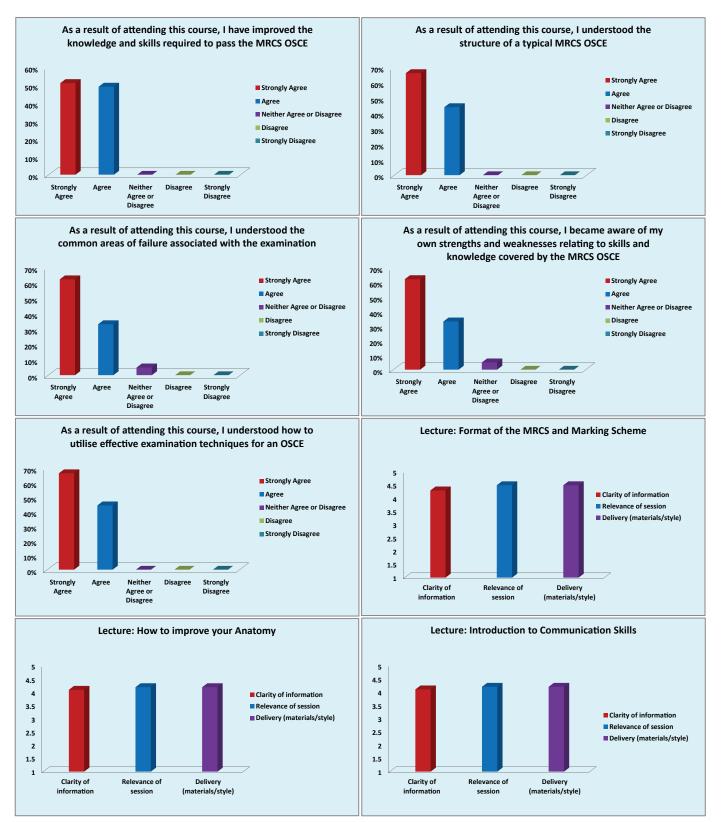


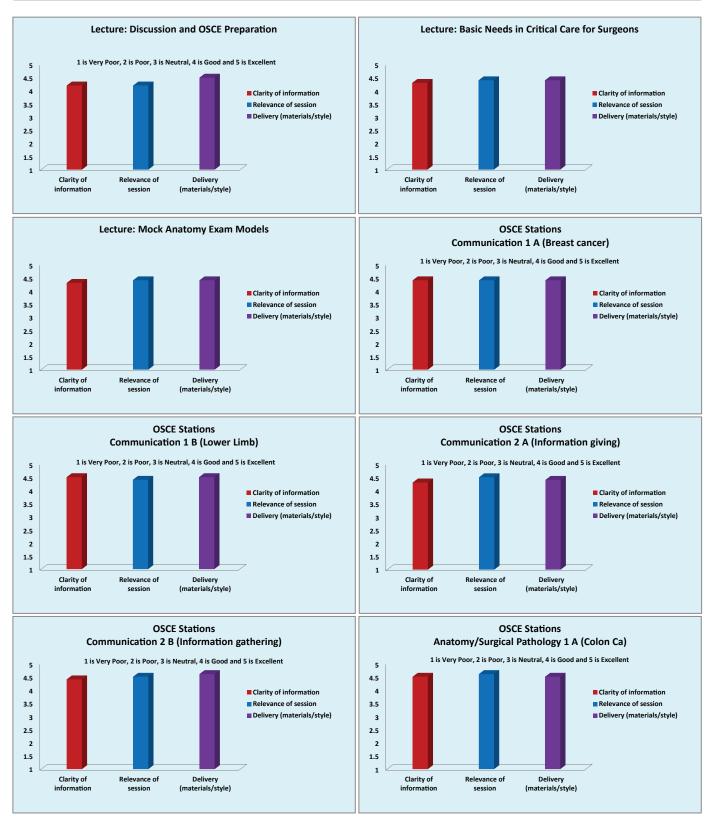
## Course Programme

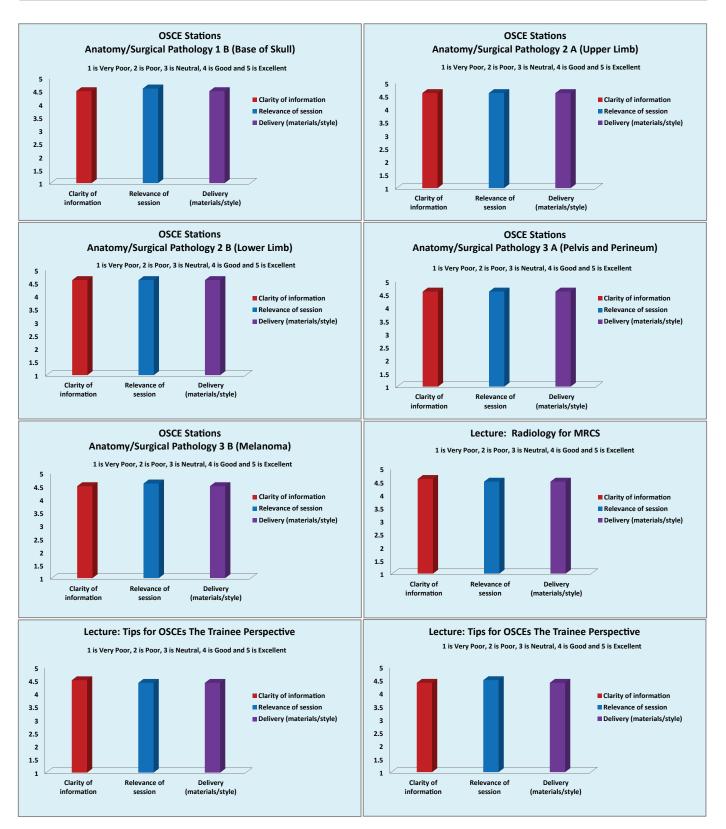
		Day	y 1 Programme		
)8.30	Welcome, registration and refreshr	nents			
09.00	Format of the MRCS and marking	cheme			
	Mr Chelliah Selvasekar				
09.15	How to improve your anatomy				
	Mr Thomas Redfern				
09.30	How to improve your communication skills				
	Mr Ajay Sharma				
	Mr Paul Sutton				
09.45	Discussion and OSCE preparation				
	Mr Ian Hawthorn				
0.00	Refreshment break				
10.20	OSCE examination stations				
Group		Group 2	Communication 2	Group 3	Communication 3
Group	4 Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	Group 5	Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	Group 6	Anatomy/Surgical Path 3
10.55	OSCE examination stations				
Group	1 Communication 2	Group 2	Communication 3	Group 3	Anatomy/Surgical Path 1
Group	4 Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	Group 5	Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	Group 6	Communication 1
11.30	OSCE examination stations				
Group	1 Communication 3	Group 2	Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	Group 3	Anatomy/Surgical Path 2
Group	4 Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	Group 5	Communication 1	Group 6	Communication 2
12.05	OSCE examination stations				
Group	1 Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	Group 2	Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	Group 3	Anatomy/Surgical Path 3
Group	4 Communication 1	Group 5	Communication 2	Group 6	Communication 3
2.40	Lunch				
13.20	OSCE examination stations				
Group	1 Anatomy/Surgical Path 2	Group 2	Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	Group 3	Communication 1
Group	4 Communication 2	Group 5	Communication 3	Group 6	Anatomy/Surgical Path 1
13.55	OSCE examination stations				
Group	1 Anatomy/Surgical Path 3	Group 2	Communication 1	Group 3	Communication 2
Group	4 Communication 3	Group 5	Anatomy/Surgical Path 1	Group 6	Anatomy/Surgical Path 2
4.30	Comfort break				
14.35	Radiology for MRCS				
	Dr Rohit Kochar				
5.35	Coffee break				
15.55					
10.00	Mock anatomy exam models Mr Pradip Datta				
	Mr Stuart Enoch				
	Dr Ingrid Goldsborough				
	Mr Thomas Redfern				

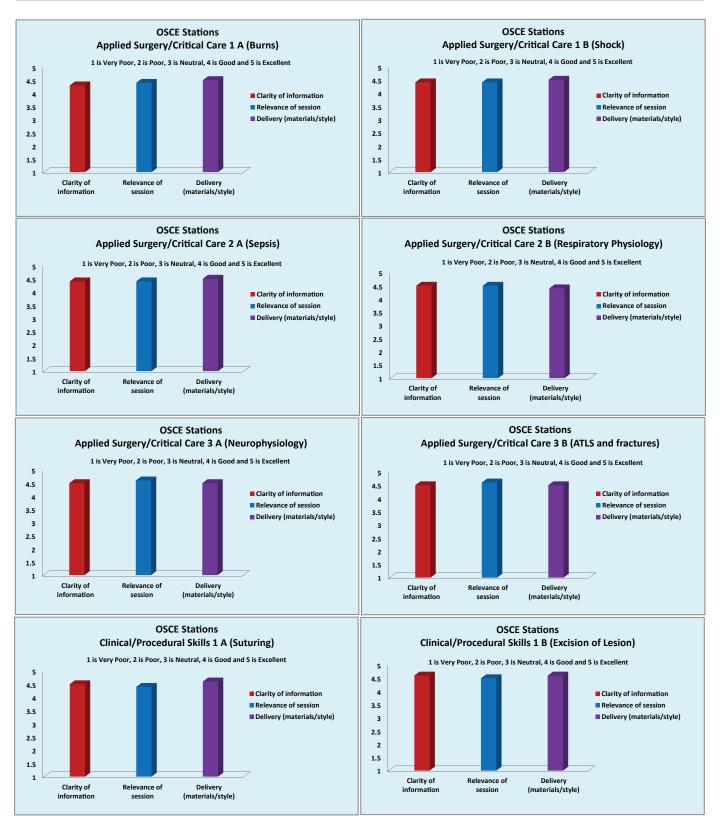
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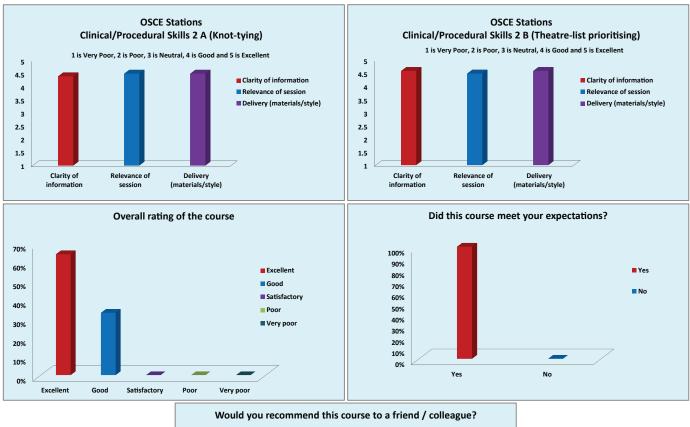
Day 2 Programme							
08.00	Basic needs in critical care for surgeons						
	Dr Vidya Kaspandian						
09.00	OSCE examination stations						
	Group 1 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1	Group 2 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2					
	Group 3 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3	Group 4 Clinical/Procedural Skills 1					
	Group 5 Clinical/Procedural Skills 2	Group 6 Clinical/Procedural Skills 3					
09.35	OSCE examination stations						
	Group 1 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2	Group 2 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3					
	Group 3 Clinical/Procedural Skills 1	Group 4 Clinical/Procedural Skills 2					
	Group 5 Clinical/Procedural Skills 3	Group 6 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1					
10.10	OSCE examination stations						
	Group 1 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 3	Group 2 Clinical/Procedural Skills 1					
	Group 3 Clinical/Procedural Skills 2	Group 4 Clinical/Procedural Skills 3					
	Group 5 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 1	Group 6 Applied Surgery/Critical Care 2					
10.45	Refreshment break						
11.05	OSCE examination stations						
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12.15	OSCE examination stations						
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	Group 5 Clinical/Procedural Skills 1	Group 6 Clinical/Procedural Skills 2					
12.50	Lunch						
13.35	Tips for OSCE's - the trainee perspective						
	TBC						
14.00	Simulated viva practice						
	Mr Pradip Datta						
16.30	Feedback and discussion						
16.45	Close						

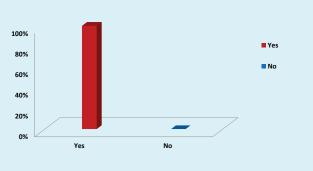














#### Comments

- 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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