

DOCTORS ACADEMY MRCS COURSES

Dear Candidate,

Re: Intensive Surgical Anatomy Revision for MRCS Finals – 24th January 2015 (Saturday)

Thank you for choosing to attend this course. May we take this opportunity to kindly welcome you to the course and to Cardiff!

This mail is to inform you of the directions to the venue, the reporting procedures, and the programme and format for the day.

I. General and reporting

Date:

24th January 2015

Venue:

Dissection Room and E1.03, Anatomy Department, School of Biosciences 2, Cardiff University

Start time:

The course will start promptly at 0845 hrs. The lecture theatre desk will be open from 0830 hours for registration. Please be prompt as the course will start on time.

Finish time:

The course will finish at approximately 1830 hrs. If you are planning to book a train, please do so for a train from 1930 hours onwards.

Where to report:

Please enter the School of Biosciences 2 in **Sir Martin Evans building** from the main entrance. Please walk up the ramp either from the 'museum avenue' side or the 'Colum Road' side and enter the main School of Biosciences 2 building. The building is a short walk from the 'Main Building of the University', 'Students Union', 'Cathays train station', and is behind the 'Security Centre'. Once you enter **Sir Martin Evans building** please report to the security and ask them to direct you to C0.12. If you arrive after 1000 hours please report straight to the Anatomy Dissection Room.

II. Address, directions and parking

Address:

Welsh Centre for Anatomical Education
Sir Martin Evans Building
School of Biosciences 2
Park Place
Cardiff University
CF10 3AX
Wales
United Kingdom.

Directions:

- For general directions to reach Cardiff University, please click on the link below:

<http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/locations/directions/index.html>

- To reach the course venue: Please click on this link and look for directions to the 'Sir Martin Evans Building': <http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/locations/locationsaz/>

- To view the venue on an university map, please click on this link and look for number '35':

<http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/locations/maps/index.html>

- To view the building in a Google map, please visit:

https://maps.google.co.uk/maps?q=sir+martin+evans+building+cardiff+university+address&ie=UTF-8&ei=irKxUZ7TO8nL0AXU1ICgCQ&ved=0CAsQ_AUoAg

Once you are near the venue, please follow these visual directions:

http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/IntensiveSurgicalMRCSBCardiff/image_slider_latest/directiontovenue.html

Parking:

Parking is available just outside the School of Biosciences buildings both at the front (Museum Avenue) and back (Park Place). These 'pay and display' council car parks cost £5.00 for up to ten hours at the front of the building (Museum Avenue) but is valid only for five hours at the back in Colum road.

Sat Nav Post code: CF10 3AT

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/preview#!-data=!1m4!1m3!1d2112!2d-3.1786544!3d51.487744!14m35!3m16!1m0!1m5!1sMain+Bldg%2C+Park+PI%2C+Cardiff+University%2C+Cardiff+CF10+3AT!2s0x486e1cbc8230aa57%3A0x54af9e2e65a7caa1!3m2!3d51.4875389!4d-3.1793292!3m8!1m3!1d2112!2d-3.1786544!3d51.487744!1!3m2!1i1270!2i653!4f13.1!5m15!2m14!1m13!1s0x486e1cbc8230aa57%3A0x54af9e2e65a7caa1!2sMain+Building!3m8!1m3!1d2112!2d-3.1786544!3d51.487744!1!3m2!1i1270!2i653!4f13.1!5e6!7b1!7m1!3b1&fid=0>

Dress code:

As you wish; informal, comfortable and that suits the British weather! You will be provided with aprons or overalls in the dissection room.

Breaks for refreshments and lunch:

There will be 20-minute refreshment break in the morning session, and a 45-50 minute lunch break. During the refreshment break, you will be provided coffee/tea and biscuits/cakes. Both vegetarian and non-vegetarian food will be available.

Some guidance on:

Travel:

http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/IntensiveSurgicalMRCSBCardiff/downloads/Travelling_to_Cardiff.pdf

Accommodation:

If you need accommodation, you may consider the options below. The venue where the course is held is very close to the city centre. The University is about 6-8 min walk from the city centre. Cardiff Bay is quite far from the venue and we would hence suggest you not to book your accommodation in Cardiff Bay (unless you wish to stay there due to other reasons). We recommend a few accommodations nearby:

1. The cheapest option might be:

Travel lodge in City Centre, Cardiff:

<http://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/81/Cardiff-Central-hotel>

Travel Lodge in Whitchurch, Cardiff:

<http://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/450/Cardiff-Whitchurch-hotel>

Both the travel lodges are quite close by. However, the one in city centre can be busy during the evenings/night and you may get disturbed. Thus the one in Whitchurch might be better. It will cost about £7-£8 by cab to the University.

2. There is a Holiday Inn as well that is not too far from the venue:

<http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/us/en/cardiff/cdfcy/hoteldetail>

3. A more exquisite but pricier hotel is as below:

Mercure Cardiff Centre Hotel
Wharf Road East
Tyndall Street
Cardiff
CF10 4BB

Other accommodation options are in this link:

<http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/IntensiveSurgicalMRCSBCardiff/downloads/Accommodations.pdf>

This hotel is a short cab drive to the university.

We look forward to seeing you for the course.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at courses@doctorsacademy.org.uk if you have a query in the interim.

Best wishes,

Course Faculty
MRCS Courses
Doctors Academy

Post scriptum:

'Buzz-words' to tell people if you get lost and want directions: 'Park Place', 'Anatomy Dissection Room', 'School of Biosciences', 'Sir Martin Evans Building' 'Near Main Building', 'Close to students union', 'Near Cathays train station', 'Security Centre'!

Please ring +44 (0) 29 2061 6765 or 07595 260658 if you need any help on the day.