

DOCTORS ACADEMY MRCS PART A COURSE: BASIC SCIENCES AND CLINICAL APPLICATION

11th and 12th March 2017 (Saturday and Sunday)
Doctors Academy International Institute for Medical Education
St Michael's Centre, Llandaff, Cardiff

REPORTING INFORMATION

KINDLY READ THE MAIL IN FULL SINCE IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Dear Candidate,

**Re: MRCS Part A Course: Basic Sciences and Clinical Application – 11th and 12th March 2017
(Saturday and Sunday)**

Thank you for choosing to attend this course. May we take this opportunity to kindly welcome you to the course and to the Doctors Academy International Institute for Medical Education, St Michael's Centre, Cardiff.

This mail is to inform you of the directions to the venue, the programme and the format for the day. Kindly note that the venue is in Cardiff.

I. General and reporting

Dates: 11th and 12th March 2017 (Saturday and Sunday)

Day 1:

Registration: 08:30 – 08:45 hours

Start of course: 08:45 hours

End of Day 1: 1830 hours

Day 2:

Start of course: 08:45 hours

End of Course: 18:30 hours

Venue:

Address: International Institute for Medical Education,
Doctors Academy
St Michael's Centre
54 Cardiff Road
Llandaff
Cardiff
CF5 2YJ

Direct Line to the Centre: 02920 563379

Directions:

Travelling by Car and Parking

From M4 (travelling from the East)

- 1) Leave the M4 at junction 29 (Signed Cardiff E&S).
- 2) Join the A48(M) and then the A48 to the Gabalfa flyover, remain on the A48 (Western Avenue).
- 3) Shortly after passing under the flyover you will pass Tesco Extra on your left-hand side. Stay in the left-hand lane and turn left just after the WJEC building into Mill Lane signposted the City Centre. As you travel up Mill Lane get into the right-hand lane.
- 4) Turn right at the set of traffic lights at the T-junction (signed Llandaff and Llantrisant) and join the A4119 (Cardiff Road). Go straight through the next set of traffic lights (you will see the Cathedral School on your right). Go past the St. Michael's Centre on your left-hand side and turn next left onto Ely Road (by the Maltsters pub).
- 5) Travel slowly up Ely Road and turn left just after the white house (which is on your left hand side). This is an acute turn. After turning in continue through into the visitor's car park.

Travelling by Public Transport

From Cardiff City Centre to Doctors Academy International Institute for Medical Education

- The buses that will take you through to Llandaff Village (ask for the Maltsters bus stop) are:
Number 25 Bus stop KP on Westgate Street (by the WRU shop by the front entrance to the Millennium Stadium)
- Number 62/63 Bus stop KP (as above)
- Number 66 Bus stop KP (as above)

From Doctors Academy International Institute for Medical Education to Cardiff City Centre

- There is a bus stop outside Barclays Bank in Llandaff Village on Cardiff Road.
- All the buses that stop here will take you into the city centre.

Start Time:

The course will start promptly at 08:45 hrs on 11th March. Please be prompt as the course will start on time.

Finish Time:

The course will finish at 18:30 hrs on both days. If you are planning to book a train on Sunday, please book from approximately 19:15 hrs onwards (the journey by taxi from the International Institute for Medical Education to Cardiff Central train station will take approximately 20 minutes).

Where to Report:

Please enter the International Institute for Medical Education and report to main reception.

II. Programme and Contents

The final programme will be very much in line with the one that has been placed online. This will be given to you on the day. Kindly follow this link to view the programme online:

<http://doctorsacademy.org.uk/CourseNW/MRCSACar/PGMM17.pdf>

There is always the possibility of a lecture or demonstration over-running and thus some flexibility may be necessary within the programme. However, due to the wide range of topics that will be covered during the course, we will adhere to a strict time-schedule. We will endeavour to observe the session times (i.e., morning and afternoon) and hence all breaks, and start and finish times will be followed as per the programme.

III. What to Prepare?

As you will appreciate from the programme, the course will be intense and exhausting. Hence, please read as much as possible beforehand so that you will gain the maximum benefit from the course. Prior knowledge will also help you to focus on important pieces of information during the lectures. In addition, you will have already received information on accessing the online questions from www.doctorexams.co.uk. Kindly go through as many questions as possible prior to the course.

IV. Dress Code

As you wish; informal, comfortable and that suits the weather.

V. Breaks for Refreshments and Lunch

There will be 20-minute refreshment break in the morning and afternoon sessions, and a 45-50-minute lunch break. During the refreshment break, you will be provided with tea, coffee and biscuits. Vegetarian, non-vegetarian and halal food will be available.

Dietary Requirements/Allergies:

Kindly inform us as soon as possible if you have any specific dietary requirements (e.g., vegetarian, vegan, kosher, halal) or allergies (e.g., nuts, gluten, dairy).

VI. Accommodation

En-suite accommodation is available at the institute. Kindly contact us by return of mail if you wish to have accommodation. Details regarding the accommodation can be found via this link: <http://doctorsacademy.org.uk/CourseNW/KeySkillsWales/Accommodation.pdf>

What you need to bring with you:

- 1. A copy of the email you have received from us regarding your confirmation of place (with your name). Please note that you will not be allowed to attend the course without this information.**
- 2. Your hospital/employer identification badge.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us at info@doctorsacademy.org.uk if you have any further queries in the interim. Alternatively, you can contact us at 02920 616 765.

We look forward to meeting you at the course.

With very best wishes,

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