ADMISSION POLICY

(Applicable to All Academic and Approved Diploma Programs)

1. INTRODUCTION

The University of Modern Sciences (TUMS) is committed to providing a transparent, merit-based, fair and quality-oriented admission process in accordance with its Act, Statutes, Regulations, academic policies and the requirements of the Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan, and relevant professional and accreditation bodies.

This policy establishes a uniform framework for admission to undergraduate, postgraduate, professional degree and approved diploma programs offered by TUMS. Where a program is regulated by a statutory or professional body, the requirements of that body shall prevail over any general provision of this policy.

2. OBJECTIVES

i. Ensure transparent and merit-based admissions.
ii. Provide equal opportunity to eligible applicants.
iii. Establish uniform admission procedures across TUMS.
iv. Ensure compliance with HEC and relevant regulatory requirements.
v. Ensure admission only within approved program capacity.
vi. Maintain proper documentation and verification of admissions.
vii. Promote fairness, accountability and impartiality in the admission process.

3. SCOPE

Undergraduate Programs:

Generic BS Nursing; Post RN BSN; BBA; BS Computer Science; BS Information Technology; DPT; Pharm-D; BS Medical Imaging Technology; BS Medical Laboratory Technology; MBBS.

Graduate Programs:

MS Information Technology, MS Business Administration, M.Phil. Biochemistry, Ph.D. Information Technology

Nursing and Specialty Diploma Programs:

Intensive Care Unit (ICU), Critical Care Unit (CCU) and Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) programs approved by TUMS and the relevant regulatory authority.

4. ADMISSION INTAKE

TUMS shall have one admission intake in each academic year, i.e., Spring Intake. All regular admissions shall be announced through an official admission advertisement/prospectus issued by the Directorate of Admissions. The advertisement shall specify programs, eligibility, seats, application procedure, test requirements, merit criteria, schedule, fee structure, documents and program-specific/regulatory requirements.

5. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

Admissions shall comply with the prevailing requirements of HEC, PM&DC, PN&MC, AHPC, NCEAC where applicable, and any other statutory, professional or accreditation authority having jurisdiction over a TUMS program.

In case of any conflict between this policy and a mandatory requirement issued by HEC or a statutory/professional regulatory authority, the latter shall prevail.

6. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

An applicant shall possess the minimum academic qualification prescribed for the program; meet the minimum marks/CGPA and subject requirements; meet professional registration requirements where applicable; qualify the required admission test where applicable; meet interview/aptitude requirements where applicable; and submit valid, verifiable documents.

TUMS may prescribe higher admission standards where academically or professionally justified, subject to approval through the University's statutory mechanism.

7. PROGRAM-WISE ELIGIBILITY

Program	Minimum Eligibility
Generic BSN	F.Sc. Pre-Medical/equivalent with minimum 50%, including Biology, subject to PNMC requirements
Post RN BSN	Matric/equivalent + recognized Nursing Diploma + Midwifery/Post-Basic Specialty as applicable + valid PNMC registration + required experience
BBA	HSSC/Intermediate/A-Level or equivalent with minimum 50%

BS Computer Science	HSSC/equivalent with minimum 50%, with Mathematics or approved deficiency requirement
BS Information Technology	HSSC/equivalent with minimum 50%, with Mathematics or approved deficiency requirement
MS Information Technology	Relevant 16-year degree/equivalent meeting HEC requirements
DPT	F.Sc. Pre-Medical/equivalent with minimum 60%, subject to applicable regulatory requirements
BS Medical Imaging Technology	F.Sc. Pre-Medical/equivalent with minimum 50%, subject to applicable regulatory requirements
BS Medical Laboratory Technology	F.Sc. Pre-Medical/equivalent with minimum 50%, subject to applicable regulatory requirements
MBBS	F.Sc. Pre-Medical/equivalent and MDCAT/other requirements prescribed by PM&DC
Nursing/Specialty Diplomas	Relevant academic/professional qualification, registration and experience as prescribed by PNMC/relevant authority
Pharm-D	F.Sc. Pre-Medical/equivalent with minimum 60%, subject to applicable regulatory requirements

8. NURSING ADMISSIONS

Generic BSN and Post RN BSN admissions shall comply with prevailing PN&MC and HEC requirements. TUMS shall engage an independent/recognized Testing Service for conducting the admission test for Generic BSN and Post RN BSN to ensure transparency, impartiality, merit and credibility.

The Testing Service shall administer the test, maintain test security, evaluate the test and provide verified results to TUMS. TUMS shall use the verified test results for merit preparation.

9. POST-BASIC/SPECIALTY NURSING AND TECHNICIAN DIPLOMAS

TUMS may offer approved Post-Basic/Specialty Nursing Diplomas and Nursing Technician programs subject to approval/recognition of the relevant authority. Possible programs include ICU Nursing, CCU/Critical Care Nursing, CNA/Certified Nursing Assistant other approved nursing-related diploma programs. Eligibility, duration, registration, experience and clinical requirements shall be as prescribed by PNMC/relevant authority and stated in the annual admission advertisement.

10. UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION TEST

Except where admission is governed by a statutory/regulatory authority or centralized admission mechanism, TUMS may conduct an institutional admission test. The test may include English, general/subject knowledge, analytical reasoning, quantitative reasoning and program-specific subjects.

For Generic BSN and Post RN BSN, the admission test shall be conducted through the independent Testing Service engaged by TUMS.

11. COMPUTING PROGRAMS

Admission to BS Computer Science and BS Information Technology shall comply with prevailing HEC and NCEAC requirements, including Mathematics/approved deficiency-course requirements.

12. GRADUATE PROGRAMS

MS Information Technology: Candidates shall possess a relevant 16-year degree or equivalent qualification and meet the prevailing HEC graduate admission requirements, including applicable admission test and interview requirements.

MS Business Administration: Candidates shall possess a relevant 16-year degree or equivalent qualification and fulfil the prevailing HEC admission requirements, including applicable admission test and interview requirements.

M.Phil. Biochemistry: Candidates shall possess a relevant 16-year degree in Biochemistry or a closely related discipline and meet the prevailing HEC admission requirements, including the prescribed admission test and interview requirements.

Ph.D. Information Technology: Candidates shall possess a relevant 18-year degree or equivalent qualification in Information Technology or a closely related discipline and fulfil the prevailing HEC Ph.D. admission requirements, including the prescribed admission test, research aptitude assessment and interview requirements, as applicable.

13. ALLIED HEALTH PROGRAMS

Admissions to DPT, BS Medical Imaging Technology and BS Medical Laboratory Technology shall comply with applicable HEC curriculum, AHPC requirements and approved TUMS admission criteria.

14. MBBS ADMISSION

Admission to MBBS shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the prevailing PM&DC

regulations and applicable admitting/centralized admission mechanism. TUMS shall verify the required HSSC/F.Sc. qualification, science subjects, MDCAT result, equivalence where applicable and other PM&DC requirements. The PM&DC-prescribed merit formula shall prevail.

15. MERIT

Admissions shall be strictly merit-based.

For programs not governed by a centralized regulatory admission system, TUMS shall determine merit through an approved formula based on previous academic qualification, admission test and interview/aptitude assessment where applicable.

The exact weightage shall be approved by the competent authority and published in the admission advertisement.

For Generic BSN and Post RN BSN, the Testing Service's verified test result shall form part of the approved merit calculation.

For MBBS and other regulated programs, the merit formula prescribed by the relevant regulatory authority shall prevail.

16. MERIT LISTS

The Directorate of Admissions shall prepare provisional merit lists, final merit lists and waiting lists where required. Merit lists shall be approved by the Admission Committee before publication.

17. ADMISSION COMMITTEE

The competent authority shall constitute an Admission Committee comprising appropriate representatives of the Vice Chancellor/nominee, Registrar, Director Admissions, Dean/Head of concerned Faculty, Director QEC/nominee, Controller of Examinations, Director Finance/nominee, concerned Head of Department and other nominated members.

The Committee shall oversee the admission process and ensure compliance with approved criteria.



18. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORATE OF ADMISSIONS

Prepare the admission schedule; issue advertisements; process applications; verify eligibility; coordinate tests; prepare merit lists; maintain records; coordinate with regulatory bodies; process grievances; and ensure implementation of this policy.

19. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Completed application; CNIC/B-Form; photographs; Matric/SSC certificate; Intermediate/HSSC certificate; detailed marks certificate/transcript; degree/transcript for graduate programs; IBCC/HEC equivalence where applicable; professional registration; experience certificate; MDCAT result for MBBS; PNMC registration for nursing programs; and any other required document.

20. DOCUMENT VERIFICATION

All documents shall be subject to verification. TUMS may verify credentials from issuing Boards, Universities, HEC, IBCC, professional councils and other relevant authorities.

Admission shall be cancelled if any document is found to be fake, forged, altered or fraudulently obtained.

21. PROVISIONAL ADMISSION

Provisional admission may be granted where permitted by TUMS and the relevant regulatory authority, subject to submission of outstanding documents within the prescribed period.

22. TRANSFER/MIGRATION

Transfer or migration may be allowed subject to seat availability, recognition of the previous institution, course equivalence, academic standing, departmental recommendation, competent authority approval and applicable regulatory requirements.

23. CREDIT TRANSFER

Credit transfer shall be considered in accordance with HEC policy, TUMS academic regulations, course equivalence, minimum grade requirements and relevant professional/accreditation requirements.



24. ADMISSION CAPACITY

Admissions shall not exceed the approved intake. Capacity shall consider regulatory approval, faculty, classrooms, laboratories, clinical/training facilities, student-teacher ratio and other academic resources.

25. RESERVED/QUOTA SEATS

Where permitted by law and approved by the competent authority, TUMS may allocate seats under approved categories. All candidates must fulfil minimum program and regulatory eligibility requirements.

26. INTERNATIONAL/FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates holding foreign qualifications shall provide the relevant IBCC or HEC equivalence, as applicable. Admission shall be subject to recognition and equivalence.

27. STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

TUMS shall provide reasonable facilities and accommodations for eligible students with disabilities in accordance with applicable HEC policies and institutional provisions, without compromising essential academic or professional competencies.

28. FEE PAYMENT AND CONFIRMATION

Admission shall be confirmed only after eligibility verification, merit approval, document verification and payment of prescribed fees within the notified deadline.

29. CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION

Admission may be cancelled for failure to meet eligibility, invalid/fraudulent documents, false information, non-payment of fees, non-fulfilment of regulatory requirements, failure to complete enrollment or admission through unfair means.

30. ADMISSION GRIEVANCES

An applicant may submit an admission-related grievance in writing to the designated Admission Grievance Committee within the period notified by TUMS. The Committee shall review and decide the matter in accordance with this policy and applicable regulations.

31. TRANSPARENCY AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

TUMS shall maintain transparency throughout admissions. No officer, employee, faculty member or committee member shall influence merit for personal, financial or familial benefit. Persons having a direct conflict of interest shall disclose it and abstain from the relevant decision.

32. ANTI-FRAUD AND FAIR ADMISSION

TUMS shall maintain zero tolerance toward bribery, favoritism, unauthorized admissions, manipulation of merit, forgery, misrepresentation, unauthorized alteration of admission records and other unfair admission practices.

33. PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

Students admitted to regulated programs shall fulfil registration/pre-registration requirements of the relevant professional council. Admission does not by itself guarantee professional registration, licensure or employment.

34. RECORD KEEPING

The Directorate of Admissions shall maintain secure records of applications, eligibility screening, tests, results, merit calculations, lists, selected candidates, fee payments, document verification, cancellations and grievances.

35. POLICY REVIEW

This policy shall be reviewed at least once every three years or earlier where required due to changes in HEC policies, professional regulatory requirements, accreditation requirements, University statutes/regulations or recommendations of the Academic Council/Board of Governor.

36. INTERPRETATION AND OVERRIDING PROVISION

The Directorate of Admissions, in consultation with the Registrar and relevant academic authority, shall be responsible for interpretation of this policy.

Where any provision conflicts with a mandatory requirement of HEC, PM&DC, PNMC, AHPC, NCEAC or another competent statutory/regulatory authority, the latest applicable regulatory requirement shall prevail.

ENTRY TEST PATTERN AND MERIT CALCULATION CRITERIA
(Undergraduate Programs)

Pre-Medical and Pre-Engineering Applicants

The entry test shall comprise **100 multiple-choice questions (MCQs),** carrying **100 marks** in total. The test shall be based on the Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC)/Intermediate-level curriculum.

Section	Subject	Questions	Marks
I	General Knowledge	10	10
II	English	10	10
III	Mathematics	20	20
IV	Analytical / Quantitative Reasoning	10	10
V	General Science	50	50
	Total	100	100

MERIT CALCULATION CRITERIA

The merit list for each applicable academic program shall be prepared on the basis of the following weighted components:

Academic Component	Weightage
Matriculation (SSC) or equivalent	**10%**
Intermediate (HSC) or equivalent	**40%**
Entry Test	**50%**
TOTAL	**100%**

Merit formula: Aggregate merit score = (SSC percentage x 0.10) + (HSSC percentage x 0.40) + (Entry Test percentage x 0.50).