

## POLICY ON INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL, PARAMEDICAL AND NURSING STUDENTS VISITING AS OBSERVER TO THE UNIVERSITY

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## Swami Rama Himalayan University

Swami Ram Nagar, Jolly Grant- 248 016, Dehradun, Uttarakhand

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#### **General Information:**

#### About the University

Swami Rama Himalayan University (SRHU), established under Section 2(f) of UGC Act and enacted vide Government of Uttarakhand Act No. 12 of 2013, embodies the spirit & ethos of the many faceted of H.H. Dr. Swami Rama.

The University has been established under the aegis of the Himalayan Institute Hospital Trust, which is the promoting society of Swami Rama Himalayan University, was founded in 1989 by H.H. Dr. Swami Rama of the Himalayas, a great visionary, sage and humanitarian. Currently the University is offering Diploma, Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph.D programmes in the field of Medical Sciences, Nursing, Paramedical, Engineering & Technology, Management, Bio-Sciences, Yoga Sciences through its Constituent Colleges/Academic Units namely, Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences, Himalayan School of Management Studies, Himalayan School of Science & Technology, Himalayan School of Management Studies, Himalayan School of Biosciences, Himalayan School Yoga Sciences, Cancer Research Institute and 1200 bed multispecialty Himalayan Hospital under the guidance of proficient faculty members committed to academic and professional excellence.

Swami Rama Himalayan University purports to provide education, training and enable research in areas of Medical Sciences, Dental Sciences, Allied Health Sciences, Pharmacy, Nursing, Management Studies, Science, Engineering & Technology, Rural development, Humanities, Law, yoga sciences and other areas of higher education.

Swami Rama Himalayan University is a self-governing, self-reliant body, constantly providing innovative educational programmes, determined to make a benchmark in the field of professional education both nationally and internationally. The University is providing a unique model of education for the country by incorporating a spiritual basis of life in relation to health and modern technology.

The University is situated in the lush green valley of Dehradun in Uttarakhand, on the Rishikesh-Dehradun highway, adjacent to the Dehradun airport at Jolly Grant. The University is well connected by road, rail and air. The nearest railway station is Doiwala which is 6 kilometers away.

Other important railheads are Haridwar (35Km) and Dehradun (25Km). The Dehradun airport is situated in the vicinity of the University (1 Km) which is well connected with metro cities.

Swami Rama Himalayan University

#### Vision

To be recognized as a premier university through providing quality education and healthcare in a manner that is holistic and evolutionary.

#### Mission

To transform lives by nurturing excellence in the creation and dissemination of knowledge through education, research, innovation and technology besides providing multidimensional humanitarian opportunities for social upliftment in accordance with the ideals of Swami Rama.

#### Placement of International students as 'observer':

Swami Rama Himalayan University, Dehradun welcomes foreign medical students and those doing allied health courses, i.e. paramedical & nursing, who would like to visit the University. Students are accepted all through the year.

For international students from various countries visiting the University will be an "observational experience". Although students are not allowed to directly intervene in the patient management; participants in the program do get an opportunity to gather knowledge of tropical diseases and local health problems, with a basic insight into modern and Indian systems of health care. The duration of the program is a minimum of four uninterrupted weeks. The period of visit shall not normally exceed 12 (twelve) weeks. The applicants are expected to make personal travel plans before and after their observational experience. The accommodation facilities are available in the guest house on payment basis for the international students and are subject to availability of rooms.

For foreign students, it is necessary to obtain formal permission from the Statutory Council in India (if any) and from their respective college. In addition, the candidates are required to take the permission/ clearance from Ministry of Home Affairs/Ministry of External Affairs of India. For this purpose, an Application Form needs to be completed and returned to the Registrar, Swami Rama Himalayan University, alongwith the following documents:

#### 1. For Medical students:

- (a) An Application Form (Form-NMC-10) to be downloaded from website of National Medical Commission, www.nmc.org.in (for medical students only) from following url:
  - www.nmc.org.in/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Application\_form\_for\_Students\_wishing\_to\_undergo\_Medical\_Elective\_Training\_in\_India.pdf
- (b) Non-refundable application fee of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) + 18% GST i.e. Total Amount of Rs. 5,900/- by RTGS/NEFT/IMPS in favour of "Secretary, National Medical Commission, Canara Bank Account No. 90682160000025, IFSC Code CNRB0019109".

Intimate NMC after payment, with the following details so as to enable the NMC to take further necessary action: - (a) Name (b) Father's Name (c) Purpose for which the draft submitted (d) Telephone No with Code/Mobile Number (e) UTR Number.

- (c) An application form to be downloaded from website of Swami Rama Himalayan University, www.srhu.edu.in
- (d) A Bank Draft of INR 10,000/- (Indian Rupees Ten thousand only) as processing fee in name of "Swami Rama Himalayan University" payable at State Bank of India, Jolly Grant, Dehradun, India or Online payment of INR 10,000/- (Indian Rupees Ten thousand only) on the name of Account, mentioned at the last page of this policy. The charges are subject to revision.
- (e) Letter from the Dean/ Associate Dean of the College / University the student belongs regarding elective exposure at SRHU with learning objective.
- (f) 2 passport-sized photographs of the student.
- (g) Four photocopies of valid passport of the student.

#### 2. For Nursing & Paramedical students:

- (a) An application form to be downloaded from website of Swami Rama Himalayan University, <u>www.srhu.edu.in</u>
- (b) A Bank Draft of INR 10,000/- (Indian Rupees ten thousand only) as processing fee in the name of "Swami Rama Himalayan University" payable at State Bank of India, Jolly Grant, Dehradun, India or Online payment of INR 10,000/- (Indian Rupees ten thousand only) [excluding processing fee, if any] on the name of Account, mentioned at the last page of this policy. The charges are subject to revision.
- (c) Letter from the Dean of the College / University the student belongs.
- (d) 2 passport-sized photographs of the student.
- (e) Four photocopies of valid passport of the student.

#### **Duration for Processing of Application:**

Processing of papers by the Govt. of India or Statutory Council (if any) in India usually takes about 3 to 4 months after the application is received by them. Please ensure that the required documents and the processing fee are included in the remittance, as incomplete applications can lead to further delay in processing of papers. The student will be contacted again after permission is received from the Govt. of India or Statutory Council (if any) and Ministry of External Affairs.

**NOTE:** It is the responsibility of the student concerned to make sure that he/she obtains an Indian Visa valid for the period of his/her stay. Travel arrangements are also to be made by the students themselves.

#### Fees:

Foreign students need to pay a fee of INR 2,500/-(Indian Rupees two thousand five hundred only) per week. All fees are subject to change and the fees in vogue at the time of the visit will be levied. Money once paid will not be refunded. Kindly do not send more money than needed for the fees. If excess money is sent, the University will not be able to cash the money and return the excess to the student as the Foreign Exchange Regulations Act (FERA) in India prevents the University from doing so. Alternatively, the money can be paid in rupees on arrival here, after encashing foreign currency at one of the banks in India. However, the processing fees should be sent with the application itself.

The stay and lodging expenses in the guest house of the University shall be charged as actuals. The female candidates are advised to come preferably in pair. At present the charges are approximately INR 3,000/- (Indian Rupees three thousand only) per day. The charges are subject to revision from time to time. The Candidate must be covered under any Health Insurance Scheme/ Life Insurance Scheme.

#### Clinical Postings during the visit:

The clinical posting will be organized by the respective departments of the Constituent Unit of the University. The posting will consist of outpatient clinics, ward rounds, bedside clinical teaching, academic sessions, lectures and operation theatre, whichever is applicable. The student will be allowed to work with patients by themselves with permission of the treating physician and the patient. The student will not be allowed to prescribe and perform procedures. The University will try to ensure that the posting meets the educational needs of the students.

#### Choosing clinical posting:

The observational program is planned in a flexible way to ensure that the student experiences the range of clinical medicine & health care services that are practiced in India. The University would like that a student chooses his postings at the application phase in order to ensure a good learning experience.

The suggestions provided below gives details about departments & undergraduate curriculum schedule. This will help a student to choose his posting appropriately.

The University advises one posting under each of the following categories:

- A posting along with undergraduate students at Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences at your corresponding academic level (between 1-4 weeks) in case of medical and paramedical students.
- A posting along with undergraduate students at Himalayan College of Nursing at your corresponding academic level (between 1-4 weeks) in case of nursing students.
- A clinical posting of your choice (between 2-4weeks).
- A posting in community health care for 2-4 weeks.

#### **Evaluation of visitor students**

Visitor students will be evaluated by the departments that they are posted with. A final evaluation report, will be provided at the end of the posting. At the end of your posting we would like you to fill up a feedback form regarding your visit and posting.

We also request you to send us a copy of the report that you submit to your university by e-mail at reg@srhu.edu.in

#### **Immunizations**

Please contact your travel clinic to obtain information on prophylactic measures to be taken for your visit to India.

Universal precautions are implemented throughout Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences. We require you to be immunized against Hepatitis.

#### Language

Hindi is the language spoken by most of the people in the State of Uttarakhand where Dehradun is located. However, many Indians, including shopkeepers, know English, so most visitors who speak English, do not have too much trouble making themselves understood. International students may need to ask someone to help translate when talking to patients. However, English is the medium of instruction in the University.

#### Contact

Registrar, Swami Rama Himalayan University, Swami Ram Nagar, Jolly Grant, Dehradun 248016 (Uttarakhand) India.

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#### **Bank Details**

Bank Name and Address : State Bank of India, HIHT,

Jolly Grant, Dehradun

Account Holder's Name : Swami Rama Himalayan University

Account No. : 33082676422

Branch code : 10580

IFSC Code : SBIN0010580 Payment Method : NEFT/RTGS

#### What to Bring

It is advisable to have a good torch/flashlight for walking around the campus at night and for unannounced power cuts which may occur. All toilet articles such as soap, powder, shaving cream and blades, toilet paper, shampoos, sanitary napkins, tampons, etc are readily obtainable in local shops.

In general, the only medical instrument that needs to be brought is a stethoscope. Reflex hammers can be borrowed and ophthalmoscopes are available in the hospital. Electricity supply is 220 volt, AC, 50Hz. Please bring a few copies of your passport sized photographs, copies of the pages of your passport with visa and your photograph for police verification. This procedure of registering with police may have to be completed even before checking into hotels.

Registrar

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# GUIDELINES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WISHING TO DO RESEARCH DURING THEIR TIME AT SWAMI RAMA HIMALAYAN UNIVERSITY

- Visitor-observers are not permitted to do any research projects of their own independently.
- One of the faculty members of the University should be the local supervisor.
- The local supervisor should obtain the concurrence of the Head of the Department concerning the feasibility of the study and obtain permission for the student to carry out the work.
- All work, including data collection and analysis, should be done only under the supervision of the local supervisor.
- Raw data shall not be allowed out of the University.
- If the student is unable to complete the study before leaving, the local supervisor/head of the department will complete it with or without the help of other personnel/other visitors. Due credit will be given depending on the extent of work completed by the student.
- Due acknowledgement should be given to the University on any publication arising out of this work.
- The local supervisor shall be the author for correspondence.
- It is the responsibility of the local supervisor to instruct the students on the proper code of behavior, dress etc.
- Clearance from the Research Committee and, if necessary that of the Ethics Committee, is required for all research projects.
- If foreign funds are involved, clearance must be obtained through appropriate Government authorities.
- There shall be no financial commitment on the part of Swami Rama Himalayan University.
- The period spent by the visitor students shall not be less than 8 weeks if a research project is to be undertaken jointly with faculty member(s) of the University.