

Comparison of grades obtained at Examinations Equivalent to Sri Lankan GCE (A/L) Examination

To comply with the Medical (Maintenance of Minimum Standards of Medical Education) Regulation No. 01 of 2018 Published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2055/54 of January 26, 2018 minimum standards regulation, it is important to ensure that all applicants for degree approval who enrolled for the medical degree from 10/04/2021 shall have passed the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) Examination of Sri Lanka or an equivalent examination, in the subject of Biology, Chemistry and Physics with minimum grades of two credit passes and a simple pass in combination of these subjects at one and the same sitting.

However, it is challenging to assess and compare the results obtained at examinations other than the Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) to ensure the above.

Therefore, the SLMC requires, the following documents to be included in the degree approval application after completion of the degree, if the applicant has acquired the above minimum qualifications from an examination other than Sri Lankan GCE (A/L).

1. Results sheet of the examination indicating the results and sufficient details to identify the applicant and the subjects to which the applicant has sat in one and the same sitting.
2. Marks obtained as a percentage of total marks per subject issued and certified by the authority conducting the examination (Marks obtained by the candidate and the total marks allocated for the subject given separately instead of the percentage, is also accepted).
3. Equivalence letter issued by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka.

The following factors have to be ensured by the applicant:


1. Applicant has sat for Physics, Chemistry and Biology in one and the same sitting.
2. Examination should be equivalent to the Sri Lankan GCE (A/L) as confirmed by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka.
3. Applicant has obtained over 50% for at least two subjects and over 35% marks in the remaining subject.

Example:

If the above information is available, marks obtained by the student could be converted to percentages. Eg: if the student has obtained 75 out of 150 or 300 out of 600, both become 50%. Student should obtain 50% or more for 2 subjects and 35% or more for the remaining subject.

If only the marks range assigned for each grade are given, SLMC assumes that students could have obtained any mark within the range given for each grade. Therefore, in such a situation,

- a) If the minimum mark in the range assigned for the given grade is 50% or more, SLMC would consider that grade to be equivalent or higher than "C" pass of the SL GCE(A/L).
- b) If the minimum mark in the range assigned for the given grade is 35% or more, SLMC would consider that grade to be equivalent or higher than "S" pass of the SL GCE(A/L).


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