



Admission Information

Bachelor of Surgery (BDS)

Shifa College of Dentistry | BDS - Session: 2025-2026

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Introduction:

We warmly welcome all aspiring medical and dental students to the admission process of Shifa Tameer-e-Millat University. This booklet provides essential admission information for applicants seeking entry into the MBBS and BDS programs at STMU for the academic year 2025–2026. It outlines the eligibility criteria, required entrance tests, merit calculation methods, and important dates for both local and foreign seat categories. Applicants are advised to review all details carefully to ensure a smooth and successful application process.

Local Category Seats Details:

Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC) in pre-medical group with a minimum aggregate of 60%.
- ✓ Passed the subjects of Biology and Chemistry and either Physics or Mathematics in the examination of the Higher Secondary School Certificate or an equivalent 12th-grade qualification recognized in Pakistan.

Mandatory Requirements for final selection:

- ✓ Have passed the STMU Entrance test for MBBS & BDS. STMU entrance test comprises of theory and oral parts.
- ✓ Have passed the PM&DC MDCAT examination.
- ✓ Shortlisted and appeared in Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs) conducted by STMU.

Merit Calculation Formula:

S.#	Description for local category	Percentage
1	STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS Theory	30%
2	PM&DC – MDCAT	50%
3	STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs)	20%

Special Instructions for selection criteria of Local Category seats:

- a. All candidates applying to the MBBS/BDS program under the Local Category Seats are required to take the STMU Entrance Test (Theory) for MBBS & BDS.
- b. All candidates applying to the MBBS/BDS program under the Local Category Seats are required to take PM&DC – MDCAT test.
- c. Applicants are required to submit the valid PM&DC MDCAT results to STMU within one week after the declaration of results of PM&DC MDCAT.
- d. Only short-listed applicants on the basis of STMU Entrance Test (Theory) and PM&DC – MDCAT test will be called for Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs).

Foreign /Overseas Quota Seats Details:

Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ Obtained a Higher Secondary School Certificate qualification (HSSC) or an equivalent 12th- grade qualification recognized in Pakistan and have obtained a minimum of 60% marks therein.
- ✓ Passed the subjects of Biology and Chemistry and either Physics or Mathematics in the examination of the Higher Secondary School Certificate or an equivalent 12th-grade qualification recognized in Pakistan
- ✓ Proof of permanent foreign nationality or valid Iqama.

Mandatory Requirements for final selection:

- ✓ Have passed the STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS (Theory)/ PM & DC MDCAT examination as per PM&DC passing criteria/Sat-II with minimum score of 550 in each subject / Foreign MCAT examination / UCAT or equivalent examination with 50% marks.
- ✓ Short listed applicants will be called for the Multiple Mini Interviews(MMIS).

Merit Calculation Formula:

S.#	Description for foreign category	Percentage
1	Relevant Test in lieu of STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS (Theory)	80%
2	STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS (Interviews)	20%

Special Instructions on selection criteria of Foreign Category seats:

- ✓ Candidate shortlisting for interviews, will be based on the relevant test.
- ✓ Dual Nationals and Overseas Pakistanis are also eligible to apply for local category by appearing in the STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS (Theory).
- ✓ Please note that the STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS will only be conducted in Pakistan.
- ✓ Final selection will be made upon compilation and verification of the mandatory admission requirements by the STMU.

Special Category Foreign Quota Seats Details:

Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ Obtained a Higher Secondary School Certificate qualification (HSSC) or an equivalent 12th- grade qualification recognized in Pakistan and have obtained a minimum of 60% marks therein
- ✓ Documentary Proof of foreign passport

Mandatory Requirements for final selection:

- ✓ Higher Secondary School Certificate qualification (HSSC) or an equivalent 12th-grade qualification and have passed Chemistry and Biology as mandatory subjects.
- ✓ Short listed applicants will be called for Interviews.

Merit Calculation Formula:

S.#	Description for Special Foreign category	Percentage
1	HSSC / Equivalence score	80%
2	STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS (Interviews)	20%

Special Instructions on selection Criteria of Special Category Foreign Quota Seats:

- ✓ Selection and admission will be strictly based on the criteria set by PM&DC, as outlined in the notification dated 21st March 2025,
- ✓ Only application holding a foreign passport are eligible to apply.
- ✓ Seats allocated under the Federal Government program, as part of bilateral agreements with other countries, will fall under this category.

Obtaining an Equivalence Certificate:

Candidates following systems of education other than Pakistani Higher Secondary School Certificate [premedical group] must obtain an equivalence certificate from the Inter Boards Coordination Commission (IBCC). The equivalence certificate should verify that the candidate's High School qualification is equivalent to a High School qualification in Pakistan with a minimum aggregate achievement of 60%.

For more details and updates please visit the website: www.ibcc.edu.pk or visit IBCC offices located in Islamabad at below given address:

Islamabad: Plot No. 25, Street 38, G-10/4, Near Federal Government Employees Housing Authority (FGEHA), Islamabad. Tel: +92-51-11114222. Email: islamabad@ibcc.edu.pk

The STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS (Theory)

- ✓ STMU Entrance test for MBBS & BDS will be held on **Sunday, September 21, 2025.**
- ✓ The test will be conducted by the National Testing Service (NTS) in the following major cities of Pakistan: Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Karachi, Quetta, Peshawar, Lahore, and Multan (Subject to a minimum of 50 candidates; otherwise, candidates will be assigned to the next nearest test city).
- ✓ It is a 3-hour paper-based test. The list of topics /curriculum will be available on the following link: <https://www.nts.org.pk/STMU/>.
- ✓ NTS will dispatch the roll number slips, including test details (venue, date, and time), to the candidates via courier.

- ✓ The result will be available on the National Testing Service (NTS) website (www.nts.org.pk) within 10 days after the test.
- ✓ Candidates are required to upload both their PM&DC MDCAT and STMU Entrance Test scores on the application portal within one week of their release on the respective official websites.

Validity of Test Scores:

- ✓ The STMU Entrance Test for MBBS & BDS scores are valid for consideration only in the year in which they were written.
- ✓ The validity of PM&DC's MDCAT score is determined by the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council.
- ✓ The validity of the international admission test will be determined by the admission committee of STMU.

Online Registration for Admission:

The online admission application portal will open on **Tuesday, July 1st, 2025**. All applications must be submitted through this portal. To apply, please visit our website www.stmu.edu.pk/scm and go through the simple procedure of registration and submission of an online application. Please note that all students would need an email address to register and apply to the Online Admission System.

NOTE: Candidates are requested to ensure they meet application eligibility requirements before applying. The STMU reserves the right to admission; to revoke admission and registration if an application is discovered to be inaccurate or incomplete, or if supporting documents are discovered to be fraudulent. Any candidate who presents a fraudulent document in support of an application for admission may be reported to other universities and colleges.

Documents To Upload when Applying Online:

- ❖ Photograph (Your photograph is a vital part of your application. Please follow these instructions carefully)
 - ✓ Passport-size colored photograph with a white background
 - ✓ File size and format: 1 MB and JPEG format.
 - ✓ The photo should show a clear front view; the full face of the person.
- ❖ CNIC / NICOP (front & back copy) or relevant Passport pages (for foreign nationals / Dual National or Overseas Students)
- ❖ Upload proof of the Application Fee payment:
 - ✓ **Rs. 6,000** will be charged for applying to a single program (MBBS or BDS). Applicants wishing to apply for both programs will be required to pay **Rs. 8,000.**
 - ✓ **USD 100** application fee for international applicants or PKR equivalent amount for each category of foreign seats individually.

- ✓ Candidates can pay the application fee through **FEE VOUCHER / ONLINE TRANSFER / THROUGH ATM (IN PAKISTANI CURRENCY).**
- ✓ The application fee for international applicants must be paid via the designated routing details.
- ✓ Complete all the steps and print out the application fee voucher. Take the printed voucher to any branch of Habib Bank Ltd (HBL) and pay the fee.
- ✓ Wait patiently for the application fee voucher to be verified by the admission office. Once the fee voucher is verified, an email shall be sent to your registered email for information.

Note: The application fee is non-refundable. (Candidates must ensure eligibility before applying).

Multiple Mini Interviews:

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to participate in Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs), designed to evaluate their aptitude across various domains. MMIs consist of several interactive stations. At each station, the candidate is presented with a case scenario and is expected to provide an appropriate response. Performance is evaluated by an examiner using a standardized checklist. After a set amount of time, the candidate moves on to the next station.

The stations assess a range of competencies, including Communication Skills, Ethics, Awareness of the Healthcare System, Critical Thinking/ Problem Solving. Some stations are Standardized General Interviews that evaluate overall suitability for a career in medicine, including leadership qualities, emotional intelligence, teamwork, empathy, creativity, and involvement in extracurricular activities. Candidates showing signs of behavioral or psychological concerns may be referred to the psychological assessment team for further evaluation.

Fee Structure for BDS Students (Year 1):

S.#	Description	For Local Students- BDS
		Year 1
01	Annual Tuition Fee (per year)	Rs. 2,020,000
02	Admission Fee (one time)	Rs. 40,000
03	Security (Refundable)	Rs.70,000
04	University Fee (per year)	Rs. 40,000
Total		Rs. 2,170,000
For Foreign / Overseas Students		
All inclusive		USD \$. 15000
For Special Category Foreign Students		
All inclusive		USD \$. 15000

Financial Assistance: Financial assistance is available to eligible students as per the STMU Financial Assistance Policy, which can be accessed at <https://stmu.edu.pk/admissions/financial-assistance/>

Refund Policy:

As per the PM&DC policy,

1. If a student, after having obtained admission, seeks to leave the program, the STMU shall have the right to adjust the tuition fee already paid pro rata to the period spent by the student in the program, along with a penalty not exceeding ten percent of the total annual fee.
2. No penalty shall be imposed on a student who withdraws from the program before the closing date of admissions in private medical/dental colleges, as notified by the Council.
3. The admission fee is non-refundable.
4. If a student gains admission to a public sector institution, the full fee will be refunded, except for the admission fee.

Hostel Accommodation:

Students seeking hostel accommodation are advised to submit their requests at the earliest to enhance the likelihood of securing a place. Please note that STMU cannot guarantee accommodation for all applicants, especially those who apply late. Hostel rooms will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to availability.

Key Dates for 2025-2026 Admissions:

	Description	Important Dates
a.	Online Application opening date for all category seats	Tuesday, July 1, 2025
b.	Online Application closing date for Local Category seats	Monday, September 1, 2025
c.	STMU Entrance Test (Theory) for MBBS & BDS	Sunday, September 21, 2025
d.	Submission of PM&DC – MDCAT Results	Within one week of announcement of PM&DC MDCAT Results
e.	Multiple Mini Interviews for shortlisted applicants. Shortlisting will be based on aggregate of STMU Entrance test and PM&DC MDCAT	To be announced

Disclaimer:

This booklet contains information about the BDS programme offered by the Dental College at the Shifa Tameer- e-Millat University, Islamabad for the academic year 2025-2026 and **based on PM&DC (Admissions, Curriculum and Conduct) Policy and Regulations 2023**. The information provided is subject to change and without written notice. Candidates aiming to apply for BDS programme in any other academic year are responsible for requesting updated information about minimum eligibility requirements, application and admission process by emailing admissions.scd@stmu.edu.pk

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