



THE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF HONG KONG MANDATORY COURSES

FOR HIGHER SURGICAL TRAINEE ADMITTED **BEFORE 1 JULY 2021**

Higher Surgical Trainees (HSTs) are mandatorily required to attend the following courses and fulfil the required course requirements during their higher surgical training before **they are eligible for examination enrolment**.

CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
2. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.

GENERAL SURGERY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
2. **Basic Laparoscopic Surgery Course**
 - Must complete within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.
3. **Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery Course**
 - Pre-requisites: Basic Laparoscopic Surgery Course
 - Must complete within the 3rd & 4th year of higher surgical training.
4. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.

NEUROSURGERY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
2. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.

PAEDIATRIC SURGERY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
2. **Paediatric Advanced Life Support Course**
3. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.
4. **Paediatric Safe Sedation Simulation Course - *for HSTs admitted from 1 July 2018 onwards***

PLASTIC SURGERY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
 - Must complete the course run by the American College of Surgeons (ACS)
2. **Advanced Burns Life Support Course or Emergency Management of Severe Burns**
 - Must complete the course run by the American Burn Association and the Australian & New Zealand Burn Association
3. **AO Basic Maxillofacial Course**
 - Must complete courses on the principles of maxillofacial fracture treatment lasting should no less than 2 days of teaching with practical sessions
4. **Microsurgery Skills Workshop**
 - Must complete courses using live model with total course hours over 20, preferably with competency assessments after the course
5. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.

UROLOGY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
2. **Basic Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Urology Course**
 - Must complete within the first 2 years of higher surgical training
3. **Advanced Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Urology Course**
 - Pre-requisites: Basic Laparoscopic and Endoscopic Urology Course
 - Must complete within the 3rd & 4th year of higher surgical training.
4. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.
5. **Critical Care Course - *for HSTs admitted from 1 January 2021 onwards***

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Trainees are required to submit the Official **Certificates** of the above courses to the College as evidence for completion when they apply for the Joint Specialty Fellowship Examination /Specialty Fellowship Examination (for Plastic Surgery only).