

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR M.P.Th. PROGRAM

- 1. General:** These rules and regulations are framed as per directives of Indian Association of Physiotherapists and MOA of Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences.
- 2. Faculty:** This course shall be under the Allied Health Sciences Faculty.
- 3. Nomenclature of Degree:** Master of Physiotherapy [M.P.Th.]
- 4. Specializations :** Master of Physiotherapy course is offered in following specialties:
 1. Orthopedic Physiotherapy
 2. Community physiotherapy
 3. Neuro- Physiotherapy
 4. Cardio respiratory Physiotherapy
 5. Pediatric Physiotherapy
- 5. Criteria for the Admission to M.P.Th. Course:**
 1. A candidate who has passed Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT/ BPhT/ BPT/ B.Physio/ B.Sc. Physiotherapy).
 2. Any equivalent degree examination of a recognized Indian university by law in India or any other degree course in physiotherapy recognized as equivalent by PIMS, Association of Indian Universities or Indian Association of Physiotherapists.
 3. Candidate who has scored not less than 50% of maximum marks in prescribed qualifying examination shall be eligible for the M.P.Th. course.
- 6. Selection of students for M.P.Th. Course:**
 1. The selection to M.P.Th. Course shall be based on the merit of the candidate and for the determination of merit All India Common Entrance Test (AICET) will be conducted by Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences.
 2. A candidate who has completed compulsory rotator internship after Bachelor of Physiotherapy for six months.

7. Conduct and Discipline:

1. Students are responsible to the Principal for their behavior, both in and outside the campus.
2. Students should maintain silence in the classes, library, reading room and in the corridors.
3. Student should make every effort to take care of the college and hospital property and help in maintaining the same. They should not write on the black board, nor scribble on tables, chairs and walls.
4. Any willful damage done to the property of the college and hospital will be treated as breach of discipline.
5. If a student is in need to get leave from the college or hospital in the middle of the day, for any emergency, he/she should get sanction from the class co-ordinator and a letter to that effect must be produced from the parent or guardian.
6. Students are required to abide by the rules and regulations laid down by the University, College, Hospital and Hostel authorities.
7. Violating the rules will be dealt with disciplinary action according to the discretion of the college authorities and if necessary dismissal from the college may be considered depending upon the seriousness of the violation.
8. Students are required to maintain ethical and professional standards in behavior both in and outside the college, hospital, hostel and community premises.
9. All decisions taken by the Principal are final and binding on the students.
10. Parents / guardians are advised to meet the Principal as and when called for.
11. Both the parents and guardians are required to furnish their specimen signatures in the presence of class teacher at the beginning of every academic year.
12. Rules are subject to change from time to time.
13. Ragging is totally banned within or outside the Institution. Ragging is a criminal offense as per Supreme Court and the Central/State Government Directives.

Anyone found guilty on curbing the menace of ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009.

8. Course Duration: The course duration shall be two academic years or 24 months. This duration includes also includes submission of dissertation on the research topic. No additional time is given for the submission of the dissertation.

9. Hours of Instruction: Total teaching hours for theory, practical, clinical and clinical training will be 4000 hours.

10. Medium of instructions: The medium of instructions for this course shall be only English. This includes theory lectures, practicals, laboratory works and assignments and clinical training.

11. Course location: This course is offered at College of Physiotherapy, Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences, Loni, Taluka: Rahata, District: Ahmednagar 413 736, Maharashtra, India.

12. Clinical placement: Clinical placement will be at various Physiotherapy Departments, Pravara rural Hospital wards and Pravara rural public health centers. Since the teaching clinics operate 48 weeks per year, students will be required to attend clinical sessions on a rotation basis to maintain public service and provide continuity of patient care.

13. Monitoring process: A candidate pursuing M.P.Th. course shall study in the concerned department of the college of physiotherapy, Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences, Loni for the entire period as full time student. No candidate is permitted to work in any other hospital, clinic, college etc., while studying this postgraduate course. No candidate should join another course of study or appear for any other examination conducted by this university or any other university in India or abroad during the period of registration. Each year shall be taken as a unit for the purpose of calculating attendance. Every student shall attend lectures, practicals, laboratory works, seminars, research clubs,

journal clubs, review meeting, tele-physiotherapy sessions and state level conferences, national level conferences or occasionally international conferences during each year as prescribed by the Pravara Institute of medical Sciences, Deemed University, Loni. Candidate who has put in a minimum of 80% of attendance in the theory and practical assignments separately shall be permitted to appear for M.P.Th. examination. Candidate who has put in a minimum of 80% of attendance in first year of M.P.Th. shall only be eligible to submit the dissertation. Any student who fails to complete the course in the manner stated above shall not be permitted to appear for the University examination.

Every candidate shall maintain a work diary and record of his/her participation in the training programs conducted by the department such as journal reviews, seminars, etc. The work diary shall be scrutinized and certified by the Head of the Department and the Principal, College of Physiotherapy, and presented in the university practical examination if called for. Every clinical case discussion, case presentation, seminars, journal clubs and research clubs will be monitored by faculty members, guide and peers using relevant checklists and CPA cards.

14. Dissertation: Every candidate pursuing M.P.Th. course is required to carry out work on a selected research project under the guidance of a recognized postgraduate teacher. The results of such a work shall be submitted in the form of a dissertation. The dissertation is aimed to train a postgraduate student in research methods and techniques. It includes identification of the problem, formulation of a hypothesis, review of literature, getting acquainted with recent advances, designing of a research study, collection of data, critical analysis, and comparison of results, drawing conclusions and evaluation of research project. Every candidate shall submit a research proposal or synopsis containing particulars of proposed dissertation to the Registrar of the university in the prescribed Form within 6 months from the date of commencement of the course on or before the dates notified by the university. The research proposal or synopsis shall be sent through the proper channel. Such synopsis will be reviewed and the university will

register the dissertation topic. No change in the dissertation topic or guide shall be made without prior approval of the university.

The dissertation should be written under the following headings;

1. Introduction
2. Aims or objectives of study.
3. Review of literature.
4. Material and methods.
5. Results.
6. Discussion
7. Conclusion
8. Summary
9. References
10. Tables
11. Annexure.

The written text of dissertation shall not be less than 50 pages and shall not exceed 100 pages excluding references, tables, questionnaires and other annexure. It should be neatly typed in double line spacing on one side of paper (A4 size, 8.27" x 11.69") and bound properly. Spiral binding should be avoided. The guide & Principal, college of Physiotherapy shall certify the dissertation. Four copies of dissertation thus prepared shall be submitted to the Controller of Examinations, three months before final examination on or before the dates notified by the university.

The examiners appointed by the university shall value the dissertation. Approval of dissertation work is an essential precondition for a candidate to appear in the university examination. The dissertation shall be valued by the evaluator (examiners) apart from the guide out of which one is external outside the university and one internal from the same university. Any one-evaluator acceptance other than the guide will be considered as a precondition for eligibility to take up the examination.

15. Assessment: The final assessment of the student in this course will be by written, oral and practical examination at the completion of the two years. However, the student should submit the research dissertation prior to appearing for the final university examination. Student's dissertation should be accepted by the examiners prior to appearing for the final examination.

16. Scheme of Examination:

The detailed scheme of examination for theory and practical or clinical component will be as follows;

Sl. No	Type of assessment	Maximum Marks
1	Theory	400
2	Practical /clinical	200
3	Viva voce	100
TOTAL		700

17. Schedule of examination: The examination for M.P.Th. course shall be held at the end of two academic years (four academic terms). The university shall conduct two examinations in a year such as regular and supplementary at an interval of six months between the two examinations. No more than two exams shall be conducted in one academic year.

18. Criteria for passing: The criteria for passing includes, minimum of 50% of total marks in theory aggregate and minimum of 50% of total marks in clinical and Viva-Voce aggregate.

19. Declaration of class: The declaration of class shall be as follows;

1. First class with distinction: 75% & above in aggregate provided the candidate passes the examination in first attempt.
2. First class: 60% & above in aggregate provided the candidate passes the examination in first attempt.
3. Pass: 50% of maximum marks in theory aggregate and 50% of maximum marks in clinical and Viva-Voce aggregate.