



THE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF HONG KONG MANDATORY COURSES

FOR HIGHER SURGICAL TRAINEE ADMITTED **FROM 1 JULY 2021 ONWARDS**

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. **Critical Care Course**
3. **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. **Laparoscopic General Surgery Course**
3. **Critical Care Course**
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.
3. **Critical Care Course**

PAEDIATRIC SURGERY

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

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. **Critical Care Course**
5. **Microsurgery Skills Workshop**
 - Must complete courses using live model with total course hours over 20, preferably with competency assessments after the course
6. **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. **Critical Care Course**
5. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.

VASCULAR SURGERY

1. **Advanced Trauma Life Support Course (ATLS)**
2. **Critical Care Course**
3. **Endovascular Surgery Simulator Course**
4. **Vascular Anastomotic Workshop**
5. **Research Training Workshop**
 - Highly recommended to attend within the first 2 years of higher surgical training.

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).