



Gujarat National Law University



**I.M.A  
G.S.B**



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**Duration of the Programme : 1 Year (January -December 2023)**

**Total Credit to be offered : 26 credits**

## ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

Medical Law is a scientific field that concerns the rights and duties of Medical Professionals as well as patients. The changing scenario of public health to a fundamental human right entrusts a huge responsibility on the medical professionals. Detailed knowledge on legislations governing varied aspects of Medical Practice is inevitable for the Medical Professionals. In majority of the developed nations, Medical Law has gained the status of a separate discipline, studied with the cooperation of Law schools and Medical schools.

The knowledge of Medical Laws will enable the Medical Practitioners to develop critical thinking about legal, ethical and professional issues and also to take decisions which are professionally, ethically and legally justifiable. In this era of globalization and the increasing challenges encountered due to health emergencies, it becomes essential for medical professionals to understand the stand of international law and domestic law in ensuring healthcare to public.

The programme will offer the opportunity to study the contemporary legal and ethical challenges faced by those working in the healthcare sector. The course aims to acquaint the medical practitioners with the evolving issues such as assisted reproduction, abortion, genetics, mental health, standards of medical treatment, transplantation medicine, euthanasia health research, advanced directives/decisions, and the allocation of scarce resources.





# ABOUT GNLU

Gujarat National Law University (GNLU), Gandhinagar, ([www.gnlu.ac.in](http://www.gnlu.ac.in)), GNLU is a University established by the Government of Gujarat through Gujarat National Law University Act, 2003. GNLU is recognised by the Bar Council of India (BCI) and the University Grants Commission (UGC). GNLU is a member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU); the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI); and, the International Association of Law Schools (IALS). GNLU offers interdisciplinary legal courses in five faculties namely, B.A.LLB, B.Com. LLB, B.Sc. LLB, BSW. LLB, BBA. LLB; post-graduate programme namely, LLM as well as doctoral programmes in law and interdisciplinary fields and foreign law and languages programmes. In keeping pace with demand of the different stakeholders, GNLU further offers PG Diploma in Biotechnology, Law and Policy, PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights, PG Diploma in Medical Law, Policy and Ethics and IFSCA GNLU Certificate Course on Financial Market Laws. Over a period of time since its inception, the University has established itself as a leading National Law University in the country, with its intensive focus on research-based activities and teaching through the establishment of specialized Centres, organizing extension and training programmes, national and international conferences, guest lectures and collaborations for faculty and student exchange programmes. For its exemplary efforts in the promotion of legal education, UGC has recognized GNLU as a model legal university in terms of access, equity, relevance, and high standards in 2011. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has accredited the University with an 'A' Grade in 2016.





# ABOUT IMA-GSB

Indian Medical Association Gujarat State Branch (IMA GSB) was established in the year 1945. IMA GSB is a professional organization representing allopathy doctors across the state of Gujarat having more than 33620 registered members. These members are spread throughout the state and represent more than 113 local branches in Gujarat.

Since its inception, IMA GSB is involved in various health related projects and activities in association with Govt. of India, the State Government and with the International Health Agencies like World Health Organization, UNICEF etc. The main activity of Indian Medical Association, Gujarat State Branch is to organize scientific programs (CME) for members of the association. The primary aim is to update its members with recent advances in the field of Modern Medicine.

IMA GSB is actively involved in implementation of National as well as State Health programs proposed by different State Governments. The association is primarily active in bridging the divide between the layman and its members. Hence as a part of its commitment to society, IMA GSB organizes various medical and health check-up camps in different rural areas of Gujarat under 'Aao Gaon Chale Program'. IMA GSB is ardently pursuing all activities related to medicine in the state of Gujarat and provides the best of support, help and advice to all its members through an all-encompassing module of schemes and projects. GSB is ardently pursuing all activities related to medicine in the state of Gujarat and provides the best of support, help and advice to all its members through an all-encompassing module of schemes and projects.







## OBJECTIVES

The broad objective of offering this course is to spread awareness of various legal aspects involving the medical profession and its practice.

- 1) To acquaint the medical professionals and the students of medicine and public healthcare with the legal frameworks on health and medicine.
- 2) To study the healthcare reforms in India and the role played by International Law, Indian Judiciary and Legislature in recognising health as a Fundamental Right.
- 3) To sensitize the medical practitioners on their rights and legal duties towards the patients and the public in general.
- 4) To study the legal issues involving the medical profession and how the law can be used as a tool to resolve such problems.
- 5) To understand the contemporary issues and challenges involving Public Health, Medicine and Law in India.

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, the learners will be able to;

- 1) Appreciate and understand the legal framework surrounding medical education and profession.
- 2) Appreciate the legal and ethical provisions involving the Medical Profession including Biomedical research.
- 3) Understanding on rights and duties of a medical practitioner initially as a citizen of India and as a medical professional. Further appreciate how some legal issues and situations arising out of negligence, malpractices and unethical practices are dealt with by the Indian Legal System.
- 4) Understanding on the need and significance of protection of Intellectual Properties under various legal frameworks.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

The eligibility criteria are as follows;

- MBBS degree from any recognised national or foreign university.
- Preference shall be given to the candidates registered with IMA-Gujarat State Branch.
- Registration with IMA-any other State Branch.

## PEDAGOGY

Regular Classes (weekend-blended mode), Discussions, Presentations, Case Law Method

# PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

## COMPULSORY COURSES

### Compulsory Courses-Semester I (12 Credits)

- Introduction to the Indian Legal System
- The Legal Spectrum Regulating Public Health, Healthcare and Medical Profession: National and International Scenario
- Medical Practice: Issues and Litigation
- Mental health and Law
- Elective subject to be chosen from the given list of elective courses

### Compulsory Courses-Semester II (14 Credits)

- Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics
- Medical Law and Ethics: Emerging Issues and Concerns
- E-Health and Regulation
- Case Study and Report Submission
- Elective subject to be chosen from the given list of elective courses

## ELECTIVE COURSES

### Elective Paper for Semester I

- Law and Ethics in Relation to Biomedical Research and Experimentation
- Regulation of Drugs, Patenting of Drugs and Access to Medicine
- Forensic Science and Law

### Elective Paper for Semester II

- Disability, Law and Policy
- Genetics and Law
- Health Insurance

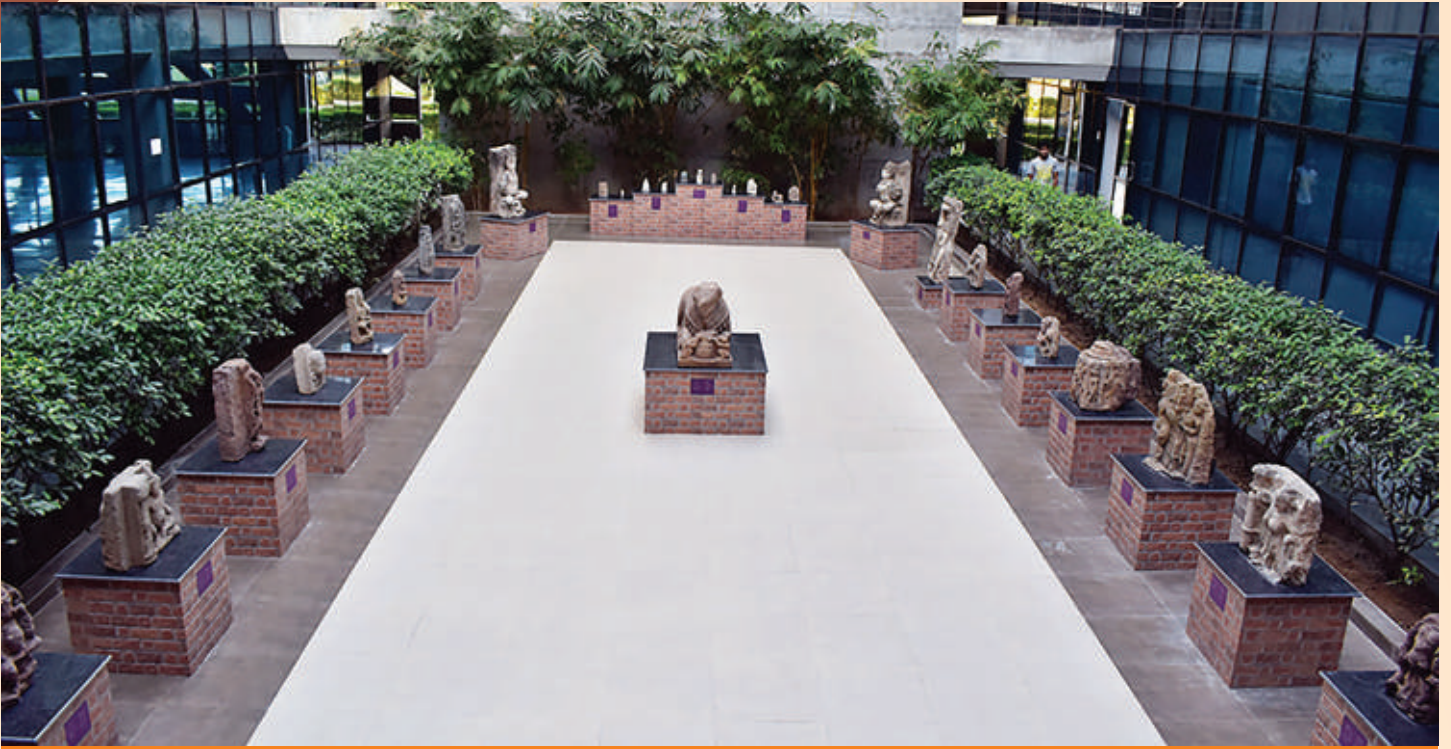


# ADMISSION PROCEDURE

- For admission form, visit GNLU Website (<https://gnlu.ac.in/GNLU/PG-Diploma-in-Medical-Law,-Policy-and-Ethics#parentVerticalTab1>)
- Applicants are required to read the Regulations and Eligibility Criteria mentioned in the website of GNLU.
- Please use the latest coloured passport size photograph in the Application form.
- Last date of Application 25/12/2022 by 05:00 PM.
- Duly filled application along with the enclosures shall be mailed to **pgdmlpe@gnlu.ac.in**.







## CONTACT

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