



## **Regulations for the Recovery of Frontal Lectures Attendance**

### **Master's Degree Course in Medicine and Surgery**

#### **Article 1 – Purpose**

Attendance at all teaching activities of Master's Degree Course in Medicine and Surgery is mandatory, in accordance with the quality standards governing medical education established under European Union law (Directives 2005/36/EC and 2013/55/EU).

These regulations aim to complement Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Didactic Regulation of the Master's Degree in Medicine and Surgery (CdLM-MS), concerning attendance requirements. These regulations further establish the procedures governing the recovery of attendance for absences from frontal lectures exceeding the maximum permitted threshold.

These Regulations apply to all student cohorts enrolled in the Master's Degree Course in Medicine and Surgery (Class LM-41).

#### **Article 2 – Mandatory attendance**

Students are required to attend all educational activities included in the study plan, including lectures, supplementary teaching activities, professionalizing activities and elective educational activities, in order to fulfil the overall programme requirement of 5,500 hours.

Attendance shall be recorded by the teachers, who are responsible for monitoring and certifying attendance in accordance with the procedures established by the Degree Course Board.

For lectures and supplementary teaching activities, certification of attendance constitutes an essential prerequisite for admission to the examination. Specifically, students who attend less than 70% of the total teaching hours scheduled for an Integrated Course, or less than 50% of the hours scheduled for any individual module, cannot be eligible to participate to the corresponding examination.

Attendance is mandatory for 100% of the scheduled hours of professionalizing activities, including curricular placements, practical-evaluation internship, and elective clinical training, as well as for Elective Educational Activities.

### **Article 3 - Allowed Recovery Percentages**

For documented and duly justified reasons, students may be authorized to make up absences exceeding 30% and up to a maximum of 50% of the required attendance for each course unit (or module within an integrated course). Where absences from scheduled frontal lectures exceed 50% of the required attendance, the corresponding teaching activities must be completed during the following academic year.

With regard to clinical internship, students may request to make up any outstanding placement hours directly from their designated placement tutor.

### **Article 4 – Eligibility to attendance recovery**

The following categories of students may apply to make up absences exceeding 30% and up to a maximum of 50% of the required attendance:

- a) Students under Article 30 status, as recognized by the Medical Area Student Records Office.
- b) Students in international mobility (Erasmus, SISM, other exchanges authorized by the CdLM-MS).
- c) Students suffering from acute illnesses preventing attendance.
- d) Students with disabling chronic illnesses preventing attendance.
- e) Students undergoing medical treatments and/or surgical interventions preventing
- f) attendance.
- g) Students holding institutional positions within the University.

### **Article 5 – Procedures for requesting attendance recovery**

Students who satisfy the requirements set out in Article 4 and who have exceeded, or reasonably expect to exceed, the maximum permitted absence threshold (30%) must communicate their eligibility within the specified categories to the Presidency of the Degree Corse by completing the form attached to these Regulations (Annex A) for each course unit (teaching module) for which attendance recovery is requested.

Students falling within categories (c), (d) and (e) must also submit supporting medical documentation issued by an appropriate facility of the National Health System.

Communications must be sent exclusively via email to the institutional address of the CdLM-MS Presidency Office (medicineandsurgery@unict.it), specifying in the subject line the NAME, SURNAME, MATRICULATION NUMBER, and the wording "Attendance Recovery". Emails lacking these data in the subject line will not be processed.

### **Article 6 - Authorization for Attendance Recovery**

Upon verifying the fulfillment of the requirements and that the excess absences genuinely fall within the period indicated by the provided documentation, the CdLM-MS Coordination Office will authorize the student's attendance recovery by signing the recovery request submitted by the student.

## **Article 7 - Attendance Recovery Procedures**

Students who have received a positive response to their request from the CdLM-MS Coordination Office are authorized to request the activation of one of the attendance recovery methods listed below from the Teacher:

1. Recovery lectures with the assistance of tutors and subject experts
2. Recorded lectures
3. Other educational materials
4. Web-based learning platforms

The student must present the authorization received from the CdLM-MS Coordination Office to the relevant Teacher. Teachers are required to report to the CdLMMS Coordination Office only the names of students who have exceeded the maximum allowed number of absences and have not completed the recovery process.