Objectives of the Clinical Appointment – Forensic Medicine

Topic	Objectives	Evaluation	Hours
Management of a person for medico-legal purposes	 Identify external and internal injuries Document injuries by providing each injury with a separate number Diagram injuries on form Health 1135A Describe injuries in terms of nature, site, size, shape, disposition (site to be described in relation to bony landmarks) Complete a medico-legal examination form Prepare a medico-legal report for submission to court 	Record book with 2 Medico-legal examination forms and 2 medico-legal reports filled by each student. Viva voce/ OSPE	24
Medico-legal autopsy	1. Witness at least 10 postmortem examinations 2. List the steps in carrying out a complete medicolegal autopsy with emphasis on the dissection technique of the: (a). Heart and coronary vessels (b). Brain (c). Neck (relevant to manual/ ligature strangulation) (d). Perineum (in cases of criminal miscarriage or rape) 3. List the steps in carrying out a perinatal autopsy (relevant to natural deaths, infanticide, stillbirths, abortions) 4. Prepare a postmortem Report for submission to court	Record book with signatures of - witnessing 10 PMs - assisting at 1 PM - documentation of Viva voce/ OSPE	24

•	Museum specimen	 Describe a museum specimen accurately Identify and provide answers to the pathological and medicolegal aspects connected with it Examine skeletal 	Viva voce/ OSPE	8
	Skeletal productions	1. Examine skeletal productions towards identifying (a). Age (b). Sex (c). Stature (d). Cause of death (e). Time since death (f). Other medicolegal issues	Evaluation of a report prepared by the group Viva voce/ OSPE	4
•	Sending specimens to the Government Analyst	Describe how you would collect, preserve, document and transport material for analysis by government analyst of the following (a). Poisons (b). Seminal fluid (c). Blood (d). GSR in firearm injuries (Gun Shot Residue) (e). Swabs for saliva (f). Hairs (g). Other contact trace material (h). How to dispatch specimens	Viva voce/ OSPE	1
•	Sending specimens to Microbiologist	Describe how you would collect, preserve, document and transport material for analysis by microbiologist State where to send the each type of specimen specifically	Viva voce/ OSPE	1
•	Sending specimens to the Histopathologist	Describe how you would collect, preserve and transport tissues for histological analysis	Viva voce/ OSPE	1
•	Court visit	Visit a court of law and witness a doctor giving evidence or court proceedings	Viva voce	4

•	Maintaining medico-legal documents, confidentiality & chain of custody	 Describe how you would maintain documents, files and registers in relation to medico-legal work in the office. State the people who may have access to documents maintained by you. 	Viva voce/ OSPE	2
•	Report on compensation matters	Prepare a report to the courts for compensation purposes	Viva voce/ OSPE	2
•	OSPE			4
•	Viva voce			4