# Criteria for a 3rd Discretionary Attempt on the MBBS Programmes

# (MBBS4, MBBS4 INTO, MBBS5, MBBS6 INTO and UNic)

In accordance with the MBBS Schemes of Assessment, a student may only have **one** 3rd attempt granted for assessment during the MBBS Programme. A 3rd attempt will usually be a full repeat year of all assessment domains.

Students who fail an assessment at 2nd attempt will have a fast-tracked 3rd attempt approved by the Board of Examiners if the following criteria are met:

* Students failing with an Unacceptable (U) grade in **one** assessment domain

**AND**

* Students must not be being monitored by the Student Progress & Monitoring Committee (SPMC) regardless of how many attempts they have previously had.
* If the student is on a full, repeat year at second attempt and meets the above criteria, they may choose to use their third attempt in the resit period/next available sitting and just sit the domains they failed at second attempt.
* If the student has not repeated the year at second attempt, they will be required to repeat the year in full at third attempt.

Students who do not meet the above criteria will have to apply for a full 3rd Discretionary Attempt which will be considered by a panel**\***.

Details of the Discretionary Attempt procedure, the application form and deadlines for applying are on the Student Conduct and Compliance Page at:

[Procedure for Consideration for a Final Discretionary Attempt at an Assessment (sgul.ac.uk)](https://www.sgul.ac.uk/for-students/your-academic-life/student-conduct-and-compliance/student-procedures/procedure-for-consideration-for-a-final-discretionary-attempt-at-an-assessment)

\*Criteria which means that students will have to apply for a Full Discretionary Attempt include (but is not limited to):

* Students with more than one Cause for Concern grade in the Becoming a Doctor assessment domains.
* Students with more than one Unacceptable grade(s) in the assessment domains/themes
* Students with one or more Cause for Concern or Unacceptable grades who are currently being monitored by SPMC.