



FAQ for overseas doctors aspiring to train/work in SEM in the UK

I am an overseas doctor. How can I pursue SEM clinical experience in the UK?

Your first point of contact should be the [UK General Medical Council \(GMC\)](#) for advice on working as a doctor in the UK.

What is the training pathway for SEM in the UK?

Entry into Higher Specialist Training in SEM in the UK is coordinated by the [Joint Royal Colleges of Physicians Training Board \(JRCPTB\)](#). Entry into SEM training is possible after successful completion of a foundation training programme and a core training programme – see here for a [description of the training pathways](#).

I have completed SEM training overseas. How can I work in SEM in the UK?

Check the [GMC website](#) for advice on working as a doctor in the UK. Currently, overseas trained doctors may consider getting their training recognised through the GMC through the [CESR route to demonstrate competence in the UK SEM curriculum competencies](#) until 31 May 2023.

Does completing the FSEM membership (MFSEM) provide GMC registration in the SEM specialist register?

No, completing the Faculty Diploma and gaining membership status (MFSEM) does not provide GMC registration on the SEM Specialist Register.

Is doing a MSc SEM in the UK equivalent to SEM training in the UK?

No. SEM training in the UK is usually a 4 year training programme where candidates undergo training in line with the [SEM Curriculum](#).

Further Reading

The GMC website contains guidance on [how to register to train or work](#) in the UK. The British Medical Association (BMA) also offers guidance for [International Medical Graduates looking to train or work in the UK](#).