

A Message from the Leadership

Welcome to the **College of Medicine and Allied Health Sciences (COMAHS) the University of Sierra Leone**, the premier institution for medical education and health services training in Sierra Leone. As a proud constituent campus of the University of Sierra Leone, we bear the distinguished title of being the nation's first medical school.

Established on April 12, 1988, by the Government of Sierra Leone, with generous support from the Nigerian Government and the World Health Organization, COMAHS was founded on a visionary mission: to train our own local medical professionals and reduce the nation's reliance on doctors trained abroad. Today, we stand as the principal center for developing the healthcare leaders of tomorrow.



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Our Mandate

Our core purpose is to strengthen Sierra Leone's healthcare system from within. We achieve this by:

- ❖ **Training** a diverse range of competent professionals, including Medical Doctors, Nurses, Midwives, Pharmacists, and Allied Health experts.
- ❖ **Conducting** vital health research that directly informs national health policies and practices.

- ❖ **Supporting** national health crises, from disease outbreaks like Ebola to evaluating new vaccines.



Academic Structure

COMAHS is organized into five specialized faculties, designed to foster excellence in specific health disciplines:

- I. **Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences**
- II. **Faculty of Clinical Sciences**
- III. **Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery**
- IV. **Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences**
- V. **Faculty of Medical Laboratory Sciences and Diagnostics**

These faculties deliver a comprehensive range of undergraduate, postgraduate, diploma, and professional certificate programs.

Our Campus

Our main campus, located at Kossoh Town, Jui, in the eastern part of Freetown, provides a conducive learning environment equipped with modern lecture halls, advanced laboratories, clinical skills labs, and dedicated administrative buildings. It is here that theory meets practice.



Key Programmes

We offer rigorous, nationally relevant programs tailored to meet the demands of the health sector. Our flagship offerings include:

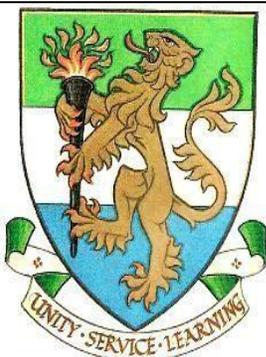
- **MBChB (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery):** An approximate 6-year program including internship.
- **BSc Nursing**

- **Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm)**
- **BSc Medical Laboratory Sciences**
- **Various Allied Health Programmes**

Our Impact

Since our inception, COMAHS has played a pivotal role in shaping the nation's health landscape. We are proud to be responsible for training the vast majority of Sierra Leone's doctors and pharmacists, while our research continues to guide national health strategies and clinical trials.

We invite you to join us in our mission to heal, teach, and discover.



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