

5.1.4 The Institution has an active international student cell to facilitate study in India program etc.,

RAJAS DENTAL COLLEGE AND HOSPITAL provides admission of candidates under General or Foreign / NRI category on fulfilling the eligibility requirements. Foreign / NRI category seats are only available for foreign nationals/candidates with NRI status or those sponsored by relatives having NRI status.

GUIDELINES FOR ADMISSION OF FOREIGN/INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

1. Should be an international student (Foreign Students/Non-Residents Indians (NRI))
2. For foreign students, a student visa is mandatory (for NRI, not a mandatory option)
3. Students have to obtain prior security clearance from the Ministry of Home Affairs and the approval of Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India and this must be on the student visa/research visa endorsed to this institution.

ELIGIBILITY:

Foreign citizens, Person of Indian Origin (PIO) Card Holders, Overseas Citizen of India (OCI), Non- Resident Indian (NRI) and NRI-sponsored candidates (sponsored by NRI parents OR brother/sister of parents* OR brother/sister of the candidate* OR grandparents of the candidate*OR spouse of the candidate*). The sponsor must be a foreign national or hold NRI status Only those students who have qualified from foreign universities or Boards of Higher Education recognized as equivalent by the 'Association of Indian Universities' (AIU) are eligible for admission

PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSIONS:

1. The candidate may contact the Admission Committee, Administrative wing, Rajas Dental College and Hospital.
2. The students shall qualify in the NEET examination for admission into BDS and MDS programs
3. Get the 'Provisional Admission Offer Letter' from the Academic Executive Office, in order to Obtain the VISA (on payment of the non-refundable advance amount of 30% of the total annual Fee).

4. Submit the '*Provisional Admission Offer Letter*' to the Indian Embassy of the respective country for obtaining the '*Student VISA*'.

5. Report at Rajas Dental College and Hospital for admission. Submit the below-mentioned documents and get them verified by the Admission Committee.

- Pass Certificate of the qualifying examination
- Mark list of the qualifying examination
- 'Student VISA' in Original
- A photocopy of the Passport- duly attested by a Notary.
- Students are required to undergo the medical fitness examination and get the medical fitness certificate. As per government rules, all international students entering India on 'Student VISA' have to be tested for HIV
- For applicants who have undertaken their studies in a language other than English need to have a valid IELTS/TOEFL Score.
- Admission of International /NRI students will be confirmed after verification of original certificates, medical fitness test and payment of required fees. Even after the admission, at any stage, if it is noted that the qualifying Degree / Certificate is not recognized, the admission of the candidate may be cancelled.

Examination and Award of Degrees & Diplomas: The procedure for examination, payment of examination fees, issue of mark list, issue of passing certificates and award of degrees will be same as for the Indian students doing the same courses in the college.

The international students cell is headed by the vice principal and looks into availability of the following facilities to them

- 1.Welfare of the international students like accommodation, travel and visa procedure
- 2.Orienting the student through various sensitisation programmes about the local language ,culture lifestyle practices ,legal requirements food habits and safety measures to be taken to be taken during the course of the study .
- 3.Guidance is extended in maintaining the health care needs to the student emphasising there origin of their country .
- 4.Fecilitating the students in their academic requirements and their true Christian in all round aspects counselling session with regards to social and cultural of the local region.

5.3.2 Presence of a Student Council, its activities related to student welfare and student representation in academic & administrative bodies/ committees of the Institution

Our Institution aims to inspire and motivate the budding aspirants to reach the unreachable for the betterment of the community by forming a student council. This kindles within our students a sense of responsibility, dedication and a purpose to put their selfless efforts and work towards the goal. Students are given as many opportunities as possible to practically implement what they learn and aspire to be through the Council. One such opportunity is the management of all student-related activities on the campus. The council is utilized to put forward and inculcate novel and innovative ideas of the young generation in various aspects of our college like teaching, research, sports and cultural activities. Thus in this way the students are given equal rights for the smooth functioning of the college.

Student Council has representatives from all levels of students in the college so that all facets are acknowledged and looked into. It is collectively responsible for activities like management of Hostels, academic concerns of students, organizing the cultural and sports activities on campus and many more. The Student council mainly helps share students, ideas, interests and concerns with teachers and principals. It serves to encourage the student in learning about leadership. The Council has been restructured throughout the time to handle new demands.

Student forum is very active in protecting the student welfare including academic and administrative activities. The various committees of the institution have ample of representation from the students.

- Hostel committee is responsible for the welfare of residential students. Students forum members of nominated as representatives in the hostel committee. The hostel representatives periodically hold meetings in the hostel and area to be addressed are identified and reported to the administration for suitable action. In addition to this a complaint note is available in the hostel for students to voice their complaints and suggestions the Hostel menu is also decided by the students
 - Sports committee the student forum is instrumental in conducting various intercollegiate and intra college sports events the sports secretary along with the physical education director is responsible for conducting all the sports activities and maintenance of sports grounds and acquiring adequate sports equipment the student secretary also

coordinate with the students to participate in intercollegiate sports event conducted by the institution

- Cultural committee: The student forum is represented in the institutional cultural committee as the secretary of the cultural committee. The secretary is responsible for conducting various cultural events in the college. The secretary also coordinates students to participate in intercollegiate cultural events conducted by other institutions.
- Library committee: The student forum representative is responsible for ensuring the new addition of books and journals and also the availability of e-books and e-journals in the library.

Student forum representation is given in magazine committee, scientific presentation and publication committee, curriculum committee and also in IQAC cell.

5.4 Alumni Engagement

5.4.1 The Alumni Association is registered and holds regular meetings to plan its involvement and developmental activities with the support of the college during the last five years.

The Alumni Association of Rajas Dental College and Hospital, kavalkinaru, Tirunelveli District is named as Rajas old Students Association [ROSA]. It is registered under the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act, 1975 (Tamil Nadu Act 27 of 1975) on 12th day of February 2018 with the society number 8 /2018. It is a well structured body with a President, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive committee members which meets regularly at least once in a year. Thereby encouraging and motivating its members to actively participate in the meeting and present lectures on various topics in which career orientation programmes hold the main stay of the lecture. The valuable suggestions and feedback given by alumni during the meetings are implemented for the welfare of the institution. Many of the alumni's have admitted their wards in this institution, have been given financial and moral support by the management. The association has members till date.

This association aims in providing an effective and a functional platform for innovative measures for the upliftment of the college, alumnus, students and society on the whole. The association serves as a bridge between alumni, students and management of the college. It maintains an account in the Indian Bank to collect funds from its members to conduct several deviceful programs for the benefit of its alumnus and college. At present the alumni fund bags the sum of Rs 1,39,577.50. There are 20 alumni working as faculty in our prestigious college, with their support and cooperation many effective programs are initiated and conducted in a successful manner in our college. The alumni are specially invited from outside to our college to have good interaction with the present students so that the students get an orientation and guidance in their prospective dental career and motivated to face their professional challenges in their near future. The Alumni is conversant with the programs and activities of the college provide financial support to the college and its programs, develop alumni programs that foster fellowship among alumni and encourage the physical, moral, and spiritual growth of the college and assist the college in the growth of its academic, administrative, cultural, and extracurricular activities. Many of the students have been given ample job opportunities in the clinics both in

our country and abroad run by our esteemed Alumni's as a way of gratitude towards the college. Many of the alumni from our college has been holding prime positions in premier institutions and governing bodies Regular updates of the events and conferences held in our college will be constantly updated to the alumnus through mails and websites for the knowledge of its members.

Rajas Dental College and Hospital Alumni Association is reconnecting and strengthen the ties between alumni,students and the institution this also provides the opportunity to formally give back and connect with the institution.

The OBJECTIVES of the alumni Association are to create a platform for the alumni to encourage collaboration in partnership among them and also with the institution

To engage the students by sharing their knowledge, expertise resource and training to the students which will help them enormously

To make the present students gain experience from the encounters of alumni

To organise and facilitate national and international conferences,workshops seminars,lectures and training for the enhancement of knowledge among the students