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Admission Process Schedule 2026-27 for Allied Healthcare Programs

Steps to be followed by the Students for Admission in M.PT., M.Optomety, M.Sc. (Nursing), and Post Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) Programs

For affiliated and constituent colleges / Department of all Universities associated with GCAS

Sr. No.	Admission Phase	Date	Total Days	Process to be followed by the student
1	Registration Round – 2 and Application Edit and Preference Change Round – 1	From 11:00 AM on 24.07.2026 to 11:59 PM on 28.07.2026	05	1. Do Quick Registration. 2. Pay registration fee, fill profile, educational information and select preferences (priority order) of University-College-Program-Major Subject, upload documents. 3. Check the online application and submit it on the GCAS portal. Students who have submitted their applications in the previous registration round but wish to edit their application or change their given preferences can log in to the portal to edit their application or change their preferences. Important Note: After unlocking the form to make any edits or preference changes, it is mandatory to submit the form every time; otherwise, the form will not be considered for admission.

COMMON ENTRANCE TEST (CET)

Sr. No.	Name of Programme	Day & Date of Entrance Test
1	Master of Physiotherapy (M.PT.)	Sunday, 02.08.2026
2	Master of Optometry (M.Optomety)	Sunday, 02.08.2026
3	Post Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) [P.B. B.Sc. (Nursing)]	Saturday, 08.08.2026
4	Master of Science (Nursing) [M.Sc. (Nursing)]	Sunday, 09.08.2026

Sr. No.	Admission Phase	Date	Total Days	Process to be followed by the student
	<u>Mock Round</u>			
1	Technical Process & Mock Round with Provisional Merit List	10.08.2026 to 11.08.2026	02	<i>(During the Mock Round, universities-colleges will prepare the merit lists, subsequently issuing provisional admission offers in accordance with</i>

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				<i>established admission rules. These mock offers will be visible on the candidates' login dashboards starting at 12:00 midnight on the 11.08.2026.)</i> Important Note: The primary objective of this process is to provide candidates with an opportunity to verify their merit rank and category details. If any discrepancy or error is identified, students can modify their online application prior to the technical process days of Admission Round-1. Furthermore, the mock round indicates the estimated probability of securing admission based on their current choices. By analysing these provisional results and cut-offs, candidates are given the opportunity to add, modify, or reorder their college preferences before the official admission offers for Admission Round-1 are issued.
2	Application Edit and Preference Change Based on the Mock Round	12.08.2026 to 14.08.2026	03	Following the Mock Round, the portal will open a temporary window allowing students to edit their application. Based on their mock allocation results, they must take the following actions: • Correct Errors: If you noticed any discrepancies in your allocated merit rank, marks, CGPA, or reservation category during the mock round, use this window to edit your form and correct those details immediately. • Analyse Admission Chances: Review the mock cut-offs of your preferred colleges to realistically assess your chances of securing a seat. • Revise Preferences Strategically: If your mock allocation was not in your desired college, use this opportunity to add new college choices, remove unrealistic ones, or re-order your preference list to maximize your chances in the actual admission round. • Final Lock & Submit: Once all corrections and preference changes are made, you must save and finally submit your form before the deadline. Important Note: If no edits are made, your previous data and choices will be automatically considered for the final allocation.
<u>Admission Round – 1</u>				
3	Technical Process & Admission Offer – 1	17.08.2026 to 18.08.2026	02	<i>(Universities-colleges will prepare merit, verify it during this period, and give admission offers to students as per admission rules. The admission offer given by universities-colleges will be visible to the student on their login dashboard on the portal from 12:00 midnight on the date 18.08.2026.)</i>

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4	Admission Confirmation & Consent – 1	19.08.2026 to 21.08.2026	03	- The student should log in to their dashboard on the GCAS portal and check the admission offer given by the respective university-college. - Confirm the offer of the preferred University-College-Program-Main Subject on the portal out of all the offers received on the student's dashboard. <u>Furthermore, if the student wants to get admission in a college of a higher preference than the college of the preference they received, they will have to give online consent on the portal for the same.</u> - Take a print of the offer letter and <u>report for admission to the respective university-college during their working hours</u> with all original certificates and one set of self-attested certificates. - Pay the fee at the university-college as per rules and confirm the admission with an OTP.
<u>Admission Round – 2</u>				
5	Application Edit and Preference Change Round – 1	From 11:00 AM on 22.08.2026 to 11:59 PM on 23.08.2026	02	Students who have submitted their applications in the previous registration rounds but wish to edit their application or change their given preferences must follow the procedure below: (A) If admission has been confirmed in any college/university during earlier Admission Rounds, the admission must be cancelled first before the application can be edited or preferences changed. (B) If admission has not been confirmed in any college/university during earlier Admission Rounds, the student can log in to the portal to edit their application or change their preferences. Important Note: After unlocking the form to make any edits or preference changes, it is mandatory to submit the form every time; otherwise, the form will not be considered for admission.
6	Technical Process & Admission Offer – 2	24.08.2026 to 25.08.2026	02	<i>(Universities-colleges will prepare merit, verify it during this period, and give admission offers to students as per admission rules. The admission offer given by Universities-colleges will be visible to the student on their login dashboard on the portal from 12:00 midnight on the date 25.08.2026.)</i> Important Note: Students who have confirmed their admission in the previous registration round(s) and accepted the upgrade option / students who have not confirmed their admission / students who did not receive an offer (excluding preferences for which offers were previously received and subsequently deactivated), will be considered by the university-

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				college for admission during Admission Round-2. Therefore, it should be specially noted that the merit cut-off may go higher/upward compared to the previous admission round(s).
7	Admission Confirmation & Consent – 2	27.08.2026 to 31.08.2026	03*	1. The student should log in to their dashboard on the GCAS portal and check the admission offer given by the respective university-college. 2. Confirm the offer of the preferred University-College-Program-Main Subject on the portal out of all the offers received on the student's dashboard. 3. <u>Furthermore, if the student wants to get admission in a college of a higher preference than the college of the preference they received, they will have to give online consent on the portal for the same.</u> 4. Take a print of the offer letter and <u>report for admission to the respective university-college during their working hours</u> with all original certificates and one set of self-attested certificates. 5. Pay the fee at the university-college as per rules and confirm the admission with an OTP.

* 02.08.2026, 09.08.2026, 16.08.2026, 23.08.2026 – Sunday

* 15.08.2026, 26.08.2026, 28.08.2026, 04.09.2026 – Public Holiday

Important Notes Regarding Common Entrance Test (CET):

1. **Regarding Centre Allocation:** While students have selected a specific university as their preferred entrance examination centre, the exact venue of the examination will be decided by the respective university. The final venue details will be displayed along with the candidate list on the official GCAS website as well as the respective university websites.
2. **Entrance Test Schedule:** Depending on the total number of applicants, the entrance test may be conducted in two sessions. The exact **time and session allocated** to each applicant will be specified on their **Hall Ticket**.
3. **Reporting Time:** Candidates are advised to reach the examination centre sharply at the reporting time without fail. No candidate shall be allowed to enter the examination hall after the reporting time.
4. **Hall Ticket:** Hall Tickets will be available for download 48 hours prior to the scheduled Entrance Test. Applicants can download their Hall Ticket directly from their student dashboard by logging into their GCAS account.
5. **Mandatory Documents:** Candidates are required to bring and present a printed copy of the Hall Ticket downloaded from the GCAS Portal, along with any one original and valid Photo Identification Proof issued by the government (PAN card / Driving License / Voter ID / Passport / Aadhaar Card) to the invigilator in the examination hall. Failure to do so will result in denied entry to the exam.
6. **For Post Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) [PBB.Sc. (Nursing)] Students:** Entrance examinations for P.B. B.Sc. (Nursing) are conducted only by HNGU, KSKVKU, and VNSGU. Candidates who select any college affiliated with HNGU, KSKVKU, or VNSGU as their preference must mandatorily appear for the entrance exam held at the respective university centre. All other participating universities will grant admission to the P.B. B.Sc. (Nursing) program based strictly on merit, without an entrance examination.
7. **Examination Pattern:** Total number of marks, number of MCQs to be attended, and duration to attend the same are mentioned below:
 - a. **Duration:** 120 Minutes
 - b. **Total Number of MCQs:** 100 MCQs

c. **Total Marks: 100**

8. **Marking Scheme:** For each correct answer, 1 (One) mark will be awarded, and there is no negative marking.
9. **Rough Work & Personal Belongings:** Blank paper sheets for rough work (if required) will be provided in the examination hall/room. Candidates must write their name and Roll Number at the top of the sheet and must return the sheet to the Invigilator before leaving the examination hall/room. Candidates are NOT allowed to carry any personal belongings including electronic devices, and mobile phones to the Examination Centre.
10. **Code of Conduct:** Candidates are not allowed to communicate with anyone during the online examination. Removing, reproducing, and/or disclosing test content in any form, by any means (for example, verbally, in writing, or electronically) to any person or entity at any time during the exam is strictly not allowed, and may lead to prosecution.
11. **Strict Action against Malpractice:** Any attempt to impersonate, copy answers from other candidates, or to indulge in any other malpractices during the test or while filling in the application, would not only lead to immediate or later revocation of scores but may also lead to prosecution. Detection of any such malpractices at any stage including after the test is conducted, may lead to disqualification and revocation of test scores.

Notes:

1. **Internship and/or License:** For programs requiring a mandatory internship, prior work experience, or a professional license for eligibility, the decision of the university or college extending the admission offer shall be final and binding on the applicant.
2. On the days of Technical Process & Admission Offer mentioned in the schedule, the respective university-college will offer admission to the students as per their University-College-Program-Major Subject preferences and based on the eligibility, merit, tie-breaker, and other admission rules of the respective university-college. All admission offers given by the respective university-colleges will be visible together in the students' log-in from 12:00 midnight on the day of Technical Process & Admission Offer.
3. The respective university-college will offer admission to the student from all the preferences given by them based on their eligibility, merit, tie-breaker, and other admission rules. The GCAS portal has no role in the admission offer given to the student by the respective university-college. The student will be able to confirm their admission in their preferred University-College-Program-Main Subject from it. **The special things to be kept in mind by the student are as follows:**
 - a. Out of all the offers received by the student, the preference number in which they confirm their admission in their preferred University-College-Program-Main Subject, all the colleges below that preference number will be deactivated in the upcoming rounds.
 - b. It is mandatory for the student to give "**Consent**" to get an admission offer from all the choices in the University-College-Program-Main Subject above the preference number received by them in the upcoming rounds. Otherwise, the student will not get an admission offer from their higher preference number University-College-Program-Main Subject in the upcoming rounds.
 - c. In case a student does not confirm admission in any offer received by them in any round, the offer received by them as well as all preferences below it will be deactivated. However, this student will remain eligible as per rules for an admission offer from their higher preference number university-college in the next round.
 - d. Examples to clarify the process of Merit, Preferences, and Consent are given below. These examples can be used for guidance:
 - i. Suppose a student has applied on the GCAS portal and has indicated their Preferences as follows:
 1. *Preference 1:* M.Sc. (Physics) – College A (First Choice/Preference)
 2. *Preference 2:* M.Sc. (Physics) - College B
 3. *Preference 3:* M.Sc. (Chemistry) - College A
 4. *Preference 4:* M.Sc. (Chemistry) - College B
 5. *Preference 5:* M.Sc. (Mathematics) – College A
 6. *Preference 6:* M.Sc. (Mathematics) – College B

Situation 1: The student secures admission and gives consent (Consent) for the higher order.

- ii. **Round 1 Result:** The student is offered admission at Preference 3 and Preference 4.
1. The student decides to secure their admission at Preference 3 (M.Sc. Chemistry, College A). They log in to the portal, confirm via OTP, visit the respective college, verify documents, pay the prescribed fee, and confirm admission. At the same time, they click on the **"Consent"** button for higher preferences in the next round.
 2. The choices of Preference 4, 5, and 6 for the student will be permanently deactivated.
 3. Since they have given "Consent", the system will consider them as per merit for Preference 1 and 2 in the next round. If they are allotted Preference 1 in Round 2, their old admission on Preference 3 will have to be cancelled by confirming via OTP on the portal, and then they will be able to confirm the admission offer received in Preference 1 via OTP.

Situation 2: The student secures admission but forgets to give consent (Consent).

- iii. **Round 1 Result:** The student is offered admission at Preference 3.
1. This admission is acceptable to the student but they still wish to get Preference 1. They confirm the admission of Preference 3 via OTP, but ***forget*** to give online **"Consent"** on the dashboard.
 2. Preference 4, 5, and 6 will be automatically deactivated.
 3. Due to not giving consent, the system will **lock (Freeze)** their choice. Even if seats are vacant in Preference 1 and 2 in Round 2, those **seats will not be offered** to the student. Their admission will be considered permanent at Preference 3 itself.
 4. However, if the student wants to take admission in Preference 1 and 2 in the subsequent Round 3, they can rejoin the admission process by giving online **"Consent"** on the dashboard.

Situation 3: The student rejects the admission received on the day of the offer.

- iv. **Round 1 Result:** The student is offered admission only at Preference 5.
1. The student does not confirm this admission currently. However, to **continue in the admission process for Preference 1 to 4**, they log in to the portal and wish to participate in the next round.
 2. They lose their right to the seat of Preference 5, but in Round 2 the system will appropriately consider them as per merit for Preference 1, 2, 3, and 4. Whereas Preference 6 will be automatically deactivated.
4. The responsibility of the truthfulness of the information shown on the GCAS portal and the uploaded documents belongs to the student filling the information. If the student is deprived of admission due to filling wrong information and presenting wrong documents, the entire responsibility will lie with the respective student. Therefore, the student should fill all the details carefully on the portal.
5. Once the basic information, educational information, details of program-college-university etc. are filled on the GCAS portal and the form is submitted, if the student wants to make any changes in this information, they can do so before the last date of filling the form, but every time after making any such changes, it is mandatory to submit the form, otherwise the form will not be considered for admission. Students may unlock and modify their application forms until the submission deadline of their respective round. However, the form must be resubmitted after every modification, otherwise it will not be considered for admission. Students will not be allowed to make any further changes to their submitted forms during subsequent rounds.
6. Students whose marksheets display only grades must mandatorily scan the certificate indicating marks/percentage (Conversion Certificate) along with their respective board/university marksheet and upload them together as a single document on the "Applicant's Attachment Details" page. Otherwise, in accordance

with the rules of the universities/colleges that prepare merit lists and extend admission offers based on marks/percentages, the student may not receive an admission offer.

7. If a student finds any difficulty in finding the program-college-university on the "Applicant's Preference Details" page while applying online on the GCAS portal, they can find their preferred program-college-university by using the Know Your College (KYC) tab given on the homepage of the GCAS portal <https://GCAS.gujgov.edu.in/>.
8. If a student finds any difficulty in filling the online form on the GCAS portal, they can **visit the Free Form Filling Center** shown on the portal in person and get help.
9. New '**AI Agent**' facility on GCAS portal for the convenience of students! Students can now immediately get information, cut-offs, and other necessary details of any government or private university associated with the GCAS portal or any college affiliated with them through a call or chatbot. Visit the GCAS portal for the chatbot and call **091-7969799680** to get information by talking to the 'AI Agent'.
10. The university-college-program in which the student is getting admission, they should first confirm the admission via OTP on their login dashboard, after which the student will have to report to the respective university-college in person within the prescribed time limit and give the OTP provided on their registered mobile and email to the university/college authorities to get the admission confirmed in the respective program. If the student does not confirm their admission on the online portal and in person in the respective college within the prescribed time limit after receiving the admission offer, their right to admission in the respective college will not remain.
11. At the time of reporting at the university/college, the student will have to get all their original documents verified at the college/university.
12. Students should choose/prefer only those university-programs in which they actually want to get admission. While making such choices/preferences, the percentage/CGPA obtained in undergraduate level must be kept in mind.
13. Students should choose university-programs only after taking into consideration the eligibility rules of various programs shown on the website of the respective university/college and on the portal, which are published by the respective university-colleges.
14. For allied healthcare admissions, colleges that have received Gujarat Nursing Council (GNC) approval for the academic year 2026–2027, as well as those that held approval for 2025–2026 and are currently awaiting an extension for 2026–2027, will be included for preferences during student registration based on the undertaking letter submitted by the universities. Furthermore, institutions applying for fresh GNC approval (i.e., those that did not hold approval in 2025–2026) are strictly ineligible and cannot be listed as choices during the registration process.
15. A student will be able to select more than one university-college-program through a single application via the GCAS portal. But through one application, a student will be able to get admission in any one university-college-program only.
16. To get admission in programs whose admission is determined by ACPC, ACPDC, ACMPC or any other council, there is no need to apply through the GCAS portal.
17. Other matters related to the admission process will be announced from time to time. Therefore, the student must visit the GCAS portal regularly.
18. To cancel the confirmed admission, the student will be able to cancel the admission by confirming via OTP on the portal. Students cancelling their admission are especially informed that they will have to follow the procedure of fee refund submitted at the respective university-college at the time of confirming their admission as per the rules of the respective university-college. The GCAS portal has no role in this connection.
19. **The registration fee paid by the student on the GCAS portal [Rs. 300/- in the case of Unreserved and Rs. 150/- in the case of SC, ST, SEBC, and EWS categories, and Rs. 150/- in the case of PwBD – Person with Benchmark Disability (40% or more disability)] is not refundable. Therefore, the student must choose the category/course/program/form type very carefully while registering. Furthermore, the student should specifically note that the Program Type mentioned by the student at the time of registration cannot be changed during the admission process.**
 - a. **Post-Basic B.Sc. (Nursing):** For Post-Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) programs.

- b. **M.Sc. (Nursing):** For M.Sc. (Nursing) programs. Eligibility for admission is B.Sc. (Nursing) or Post-Basic B.Sc. (Nursing).
 - c. **MPT:** For Master of Physiotherapy programs. Eligibility for admission is BPT.
 - d. **M.Opto.:** For Master of Optometry programs. Eligibility for admission is B.Opto.
20. Students should provide their own mobile number and e-mail address at the time of registration so that they can get information regarding admission on time. Information will be provided to the student from the portal via SMS/WhatsApp message/e-mail. However, they should keep checking the portal regularly so that no information is missed.
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