



Mahaluxmivala-Sherman FRCS (Orth) Viva Course for Orthopaedic Surgeons

Feedback - October 2025

Mahaluxmivala-Sherman FRCS (Orth) Viva Course for Orthopaedic Surgeons (Formerly the Royal College of Surgeons of England Course)

This interactive two-day course focused on preparing delegates for the viva (oral) component of the FRCS (Orth) in a friendly atmosphere. Delegates worked through a range of techniques to improve both oral skills and orthopaedic clinical examination skills.

Course Content

The course covered a variety of topics, including:

- o Introduction to the FRCS (Orth) examination
- o Negotiating the requirements of the course
- o Clinical examination session – history taking
- o Introduction to positive critiquing

Course Information

Venue:	The Tower Hotel, St. Katharine's Way, London, EW1 1LD
Dates:	7th and 8th October 2025
Attendance:	14 Delegates
Aimed at:	ST5-8 Preparing for the Oral FRCS (Orth) Examination; Clinical Fellows; Speciality Doctors; Candidates Preparing for the Joint Surgical Commission Fellowship Examination (JSCFE)
Course Fee:	£325.00



Programme

Day One

0830 - 0900	Registration and Refreshments
0900 - 0950	Introduction to the FRCS (Tr&Orth) Examination Mr Kevin Sherman
0950 - 1050	Preliminary Practice Vivas Mr Kevin Sherman and Mr Jehangir Mahaluxmivala
1050 - 1110	Discussion on Practice Viva Session Mr Kevin Sherman and Mr Jehangir Mahaluxmivala

1110 - 1130 Refreshment Break

1130 - 1200	Clinical Examination Session – History Taking Mr Jehangir Mahaluxmivala
1200 - 1315	Hands and General Orthopaedics Mr Ravi Dimri

1315 - 1400 Lunch

1400 - 1530	Practice Vivas and Clinical Examination
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1530 - 1550 Refreshment Break

1550 - 1800	Practice Vivas and Clinical Examination
1800	Close of Session Mr Kevin Sherman and Mr Jehangir Mahaluxmivala
1800	End of Day 1

Programme

Day Two

0800 - 0815 Registration and Refreshments

0815 - 1030 Workshop FBD/General Orthopaedics
Mr Kevin Sherman and Mr Ravi Dimri

1030 - 1050 Refreshment Break

1050 - 1300 Practice Vivas and Clinical Examination

1300 - 1400 **Lunch**

1400 - 1530 Practice Vivas and Clinical Examination

1530 - 1550 Refreshment Break

1550 - 1650 Practice Vivas and Clinical Examination

1650 - 1715 Question and Answer Session

Mr Kevin Sherman and Mr Jehangir Mahaluxmivala

1715 End of Course

Faculty List

Mr Ravi Dimri, MS, FRCS (Orth)

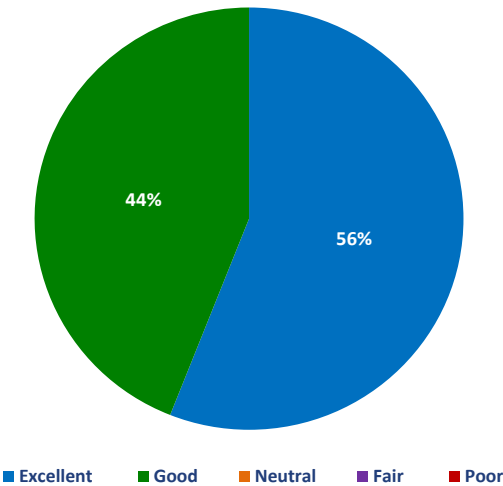
Mr Nirav Shah, MS, MCh, MSc, FRCS (Tr&Orth)

Mr Suresh Chandrashekar, MS, FRCS (Orth)

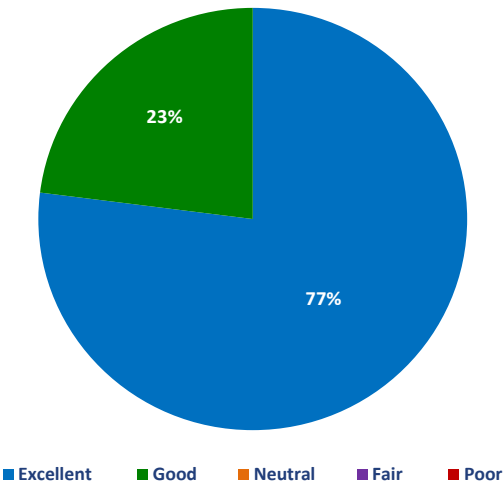
Mr Shwan Henari, MCh, FRCS, FRCS(Tr&Orth)

Overall Feedback

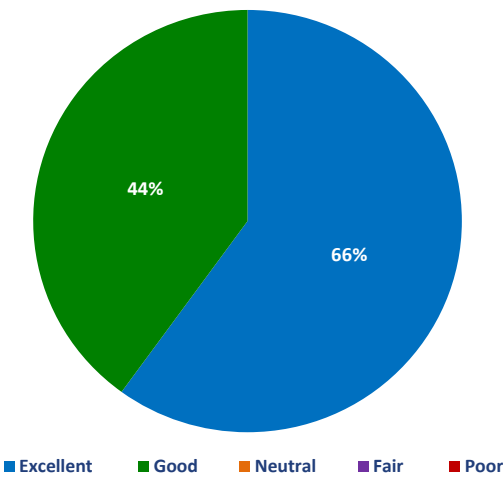
How was the content of the course?



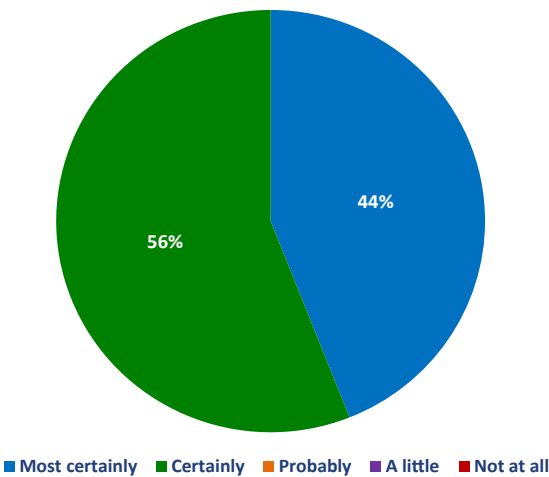
How would you rate the general academic standard of the faculty?



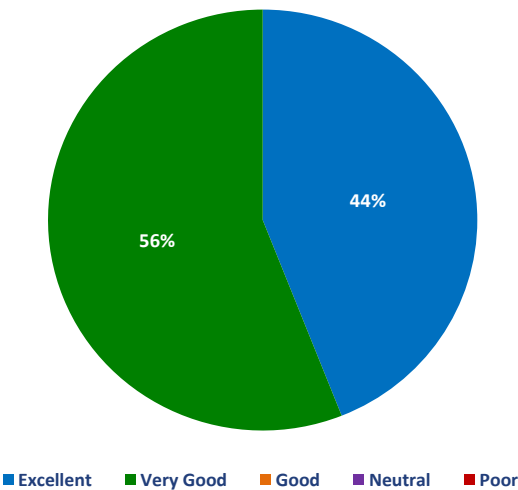
How was the clarity of the information provided?



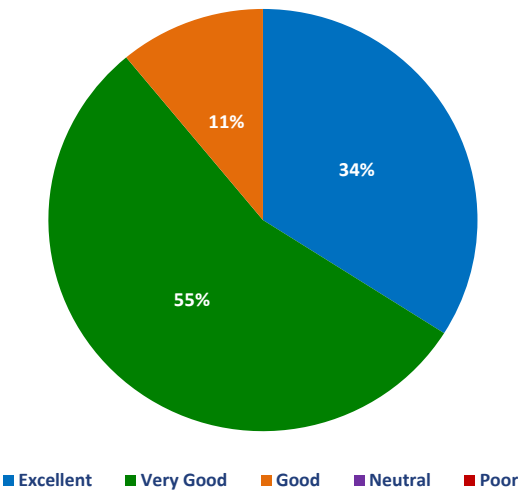
Did the course meet your objectives?



Preliminary Practice Vivas

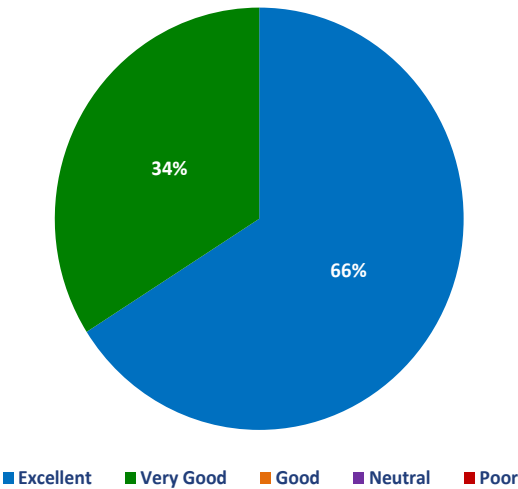


Clinical Examination Session (History Taking)

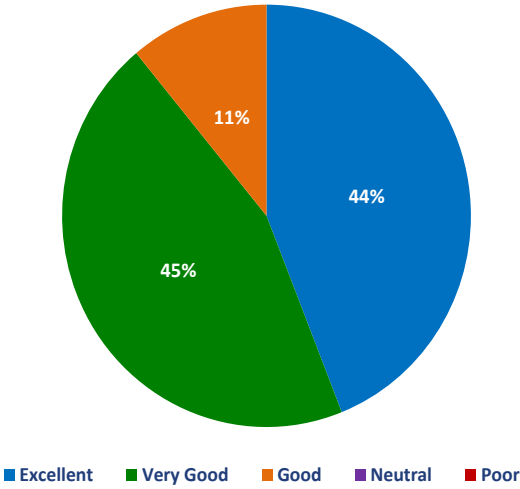


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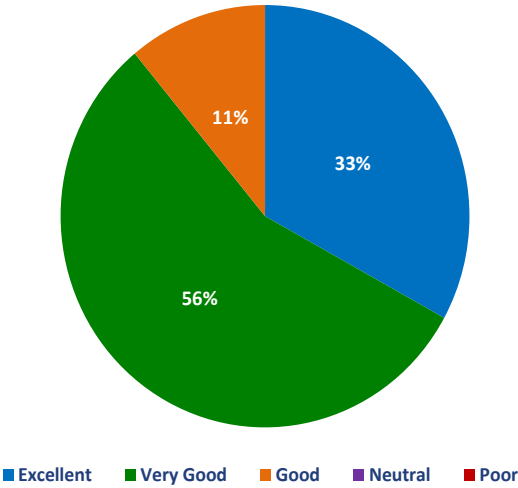
Hands and General Orthopaedics



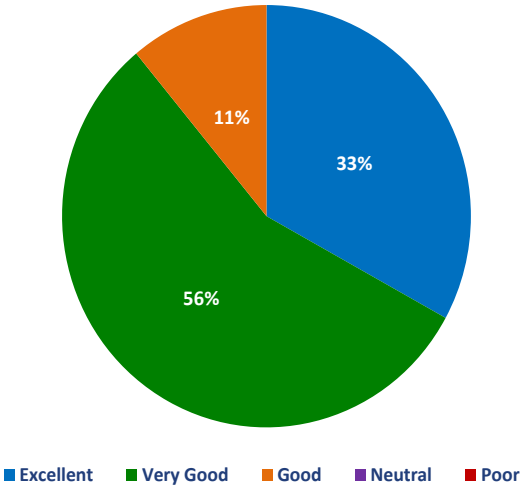
Practice Vivas and Clinical Examination



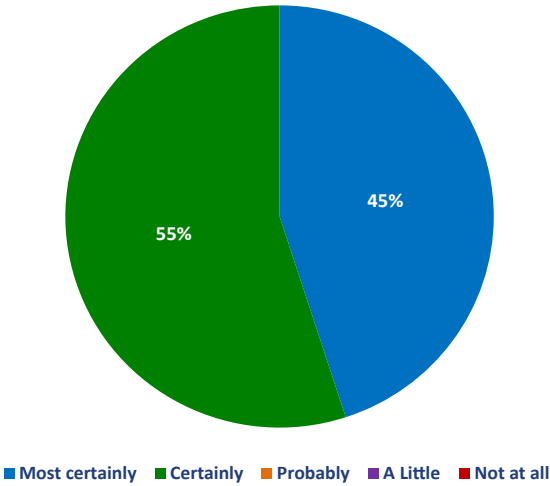
Workshop on General Orthopaedics



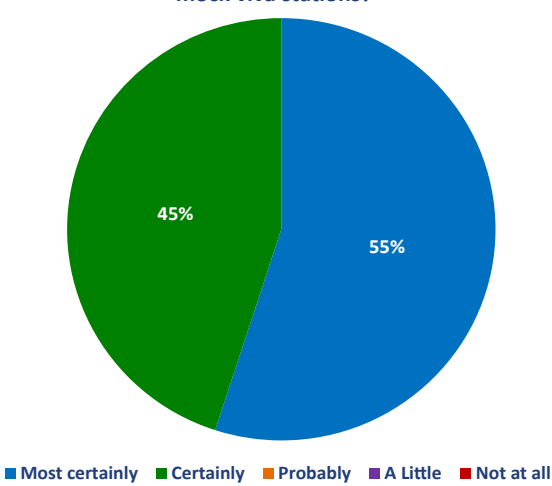
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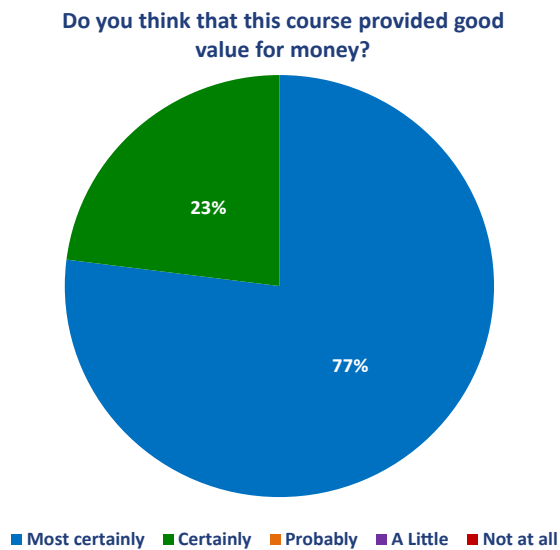
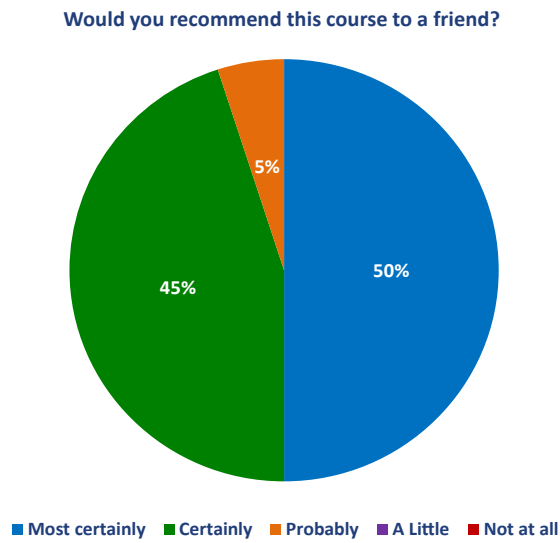
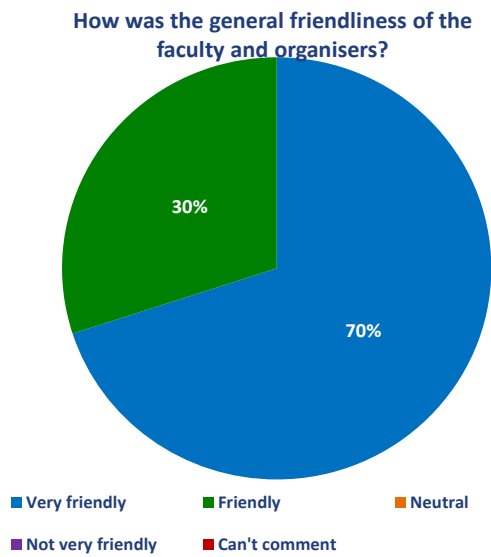
Did you have sufficient time to practice?



Did you receive sufficient feedback in the mock viva stations?



Overall Feedback



Individual Comments

I am very satisfied and confident how to take preparation for FRCS viva.

MR

Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore

Exceptional course.

DP

Great Ormond Street Hospital, UK

Highly personalised course with a high faculty : student ratio that really helped sort out very basic queries. All sessions are interactive.

SB

Peterborough and Stamford NHS Foundation Trust, UK

The viva sessions were extremely good.

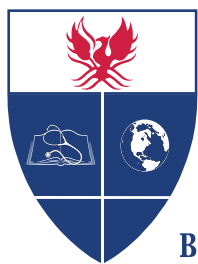
RK

Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, UK

It was good to be able to practice answering exam style questions with people who have experience as examiners.

JB

Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton



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