

1. What is OSPE

Video OSPE 1

What is OSPE, OSCE or TOACS

- OSPE: Objective Structured Practical Examination
- OSCE: Objective Structured Clinical Examination
- TOACS: Task –Oriented Assessment of Clinical Skills
- OSTE: Objective Structured Teaching Examination

OSPE is objective structured practical examination.

Objective means your goal or aim or what you want to achieve. This goal is set by examiner.

Structured means same set of question or instruction for all students so no bias.

Practical means this examination is check your practical skills.

Examination is testing your practical skills.

Advantage of OSPE is that all students face same set of questions and specific answers and assigned marks to each answer. This way examiner bias is eliminated.

OSPE can be static or interactive. In static OSPE you will a set of questions with assigned numbers to each question. In interactive OSPE you may be asked to explain specific questions or to perform practical activity like

- How to check visual acuity
- How to do ophthalmoscopy
- Checking pupil reactions
- Confrontational visual fields
- Checking ocular movements
- Describing an investigation like OCT or B scan or biometry

In this book one purpose is to help you know your instrument and do clinical examination. This purpose will be achieved in chapter 1 which is foundation. Then history taking and differential diagnosis is described in rest of chapters. All this helps to examine and diagnose patients.

All sections in foundation chapter are possible OSPEs.

For example, chapter 1.1 is anatomy and physiology. You may be given eye picture to name structure as static OSPE or you may be asked to demonstrate structures on eye model which is interactive OSPE. chapter 1.7 is investigation and print outs of these investigations are all possible OSPEs.

TOACS stands for **T**ask **O**riented **A**ssessment of **C**linical **S**kills.

TOACS is almost same as OSPE but stresses more on clinical diagnosis.

TOACS suits more to postgraduate students while OSPE is for checking basic clinical skills and suits more to undergraduate students.

Tips for OSPE preparation:

- Learn practical things during ward rotation
- Practice with friends
- Be specific and to the point
- Scan QR code to watch videos on

www.youtube.com/@Profdrmahffozhussain7544



Possible OSPEs

- All sections in section foundation are possible OSPE/OSCE
- Pictures in section 2 onwards are OSPEs
- For more possible OSPE/OSCE see
[Youtube.com/@profdrmahfozhussain7544](https://www.youtube.com/@profdrmahfozhussain7544)

Play list: OSPE

Other possible clinical OSPEs

See chapter 1.9

- Cataract OSPE
- Glaucomatous disc
- Disc swelling
- Ptosis
- Entropion
- Ectropion
- Chalazion
- And more