

Laboratory Medicine Department



The Laboratory Medicine Department was originally founded as the Department of Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory of “the Advanced Training Institute for Physicians” in 1935. Later, in 1941 the institution was renamed as “Tbilisi Institute for Further Training of Physicians”. Since 1990s, after the collapse of the Soviet Union, the Institute has been declared as the property of the Republic of Georgia, since 1993 the Institute was granted the status of the State Higher Education Institution of Georgia and was named as the "Medical Academy of Postgraduate Education of Physicians".

Since 2006 the Academy has been integrated with Tbilisi State Medical University as "Post Graduate Education and Continuing Professional Development Institute". “Department of Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory” has been renamed as “Laboratory Medicine Department”. Since then, the department has been running not only post graduate programs, but also undergraduate programs in laboratory medicine.

Originally Department Chairmen were Professors: Nikoloz Kamalov, Avtandil Machavariani, Ketevan Garsiashvili, Tinatin Bukia.

Professor Nino Gogokhia has been the Chair of the Department since 2017.

Currently “Laboratory Medicine Department” is integrated with the Laboratory of the First University Clinic of Tbilisi State Medical University”, where alongside teaching and learning clinical activities are also being carried out. As long as, the laboratory serves a multi-profile clinic, medical students have great opportunity to get experience in clinical settings. The laboratory deals with different types of investigations and is involved in international research programs, carries out PhD Researches, takes part in professional association activities and cooperates with international professional associations.

After the integration with the University, the Department has been carrying out undergraduate as well as postgraduate programs in various fields of laboratory medicine. The teaching and learning process is underway in the well-equipped laboratory of the First University Clinic, where alongside with the theoretical foundations of laboratory medicine,

students and residents have an opportunity to attend practical working process, discover the potential of modern equipment, and get acquainted with diagnostic analysis which meet international standards, participate and learn working with modern, high-tech medical equipment. Also, it is worth mentioning that Laboratory Department offers Undergraduate Programs for international students.

Teaching staff:

The Chair of Undergraduate Programs Professor Nino Gogokhia deals with the process of academic studies. The Chair of Postgraduate Programs is Professor Tina Bukia. Invited teachers are also involved in the educational process.