

Table 4 Rankings in the second and third Delphi rounds about which degree programmes at Shiraz University of Medical Sciences should decrease their number of students

Rank	Degree	Subject	Round 2 (n = 102)	Round 3 (n = 62)
			Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)
1	MD	Medicine	9.5 (1.0)	9.9 (1.0)
2	BSc	Nursing	9.1 (1.0)	9.4 (0.9)
3	Specialty	General surgery	8.5 (0.7)	9.3 (0.6)
4	Specialty	Gynaecology & obstetrics	8.7 (0.9)	9.1 (0.9)
5	Specialty	Psychiatry	8.5 (1.1)	9.0 (1.0)
7	Specialty	Paediatrics	7.7 (0.5)	8.7 (0.4)
8	Specialty	Oral & maxillofacial surgery	8.3 (0.5)	8.7 (0.4)
9	BSc	Midwifery	8.4 (1.9)	8.6 (1.3)

Means and standard deviation (SD) show participants' level of agreement on a 10-point scale ranging from completely disagree to completely agree.