Solution. $n = 1000$, $\bar{x} = 14$, $\sigma = 2.5$
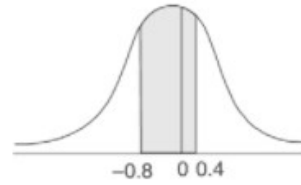
(i)
$$z_1 = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{\sigma} = \frac{12 - 14}{2.5} = -0.8$$

$$z_2 = \frac{15 - 14}{2.5} = \frac{1}{2.5} = 0.4$$

The area lying between -0.8 to 0.4 = Area from 0 to -0.8 + area from 0 to 0.4
$$= 0.2881 + 0.1554 = 0.4435$$

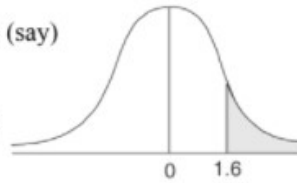The required number of students = $1000 \times 0.4435 = 443.5 = 444$ (say)

(ii)
$$z_1 = \frac{18 - 14}{2.5} = \frac{4}{2.5} = 1.6$$

Area right to 1.6
$$= 0.5 - \text{Area between 0 and 1.6}$$
$$= 0.5 - 0.4452 = 0.0548$$

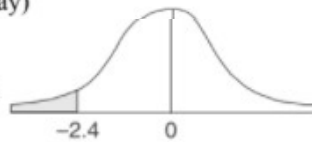The required number of students
$$= 1000 \times 0.0548 = 54.8 = 55 \text{ (say)}$$

(iii)
$$z = \frac{8 - 14}{2.5} = -\frac{6}{2.5} = -2.4$$

Area left to -2.4
$$= 0.5 - \text{area between 0 and } -2.4$$
$$= 0.5 - 0.4918 = 0.0082$$

The required number of students = $1000 \times 0.0082 = 8.2 = 8$ (say)