



Special Regulations for Examinations Leading to the Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at University College London

Including Candidates Following the MBPhD Programme

(With effect for students in all years of the programme from September 2016)

1. General Information

- 1.1 These regulations are governed by the Ordinances and General Regulations of University College London.
- 1.2 The MBBS programme is managed by UCL Medical School and taught in the four faculties of the School of Life and Medical Sciences: Faculty of Brain Sciences, Faculty of Life Sciences, Faculty of Medical Sciences and Faculty of Population Health Sciences.
- 1.3 The MBBS programme is designed as a 6 year integrated course consisting of:
 - Year 1 Fundamentals of Clinical Science 1
 - Year 2 Fundamentals of Clinical Science 2
 - Year 3 Scientific Method in Depth (Integrated BSc degree)
 - Year 4 Integrated Clinical Care
 - Year 5 Life Cycle
 - Year 6 Preparation for Practice
- 1.3.2 The course of study leading to the MBBS is governed by the provisions of the regulations for the MBBS degrees.
- 1.3.3 The MBBS degrees shall be taught in accordance with curricula that meet the requirements of the General Medical Council. The programme for the MBBS excluding Year 3 (IBSc), shall involve not less than 5,500 hours of practical and theoretical study, of which at least Years 4, 5 and 6 shall have been undertaken while registered at UCL, unless exempted from part of the programme of study under the provisions below, and of which not more than 12 weeks shall have been spent at an institution other than UCL either in the UK or overseas.
- 1.4 The MBPhD programme is designed to enable students to undertake an intercalated PhD between Year 4 Integrated Clinical Care and Year 5 Life Cycle, during which clinical study and experience is maintained.
 - 1.4.1 Entry to the MBPhD programme is after satisfactory completion of 2 years of undergraduate medical study and an IBSc (or equivalent). Applications may

and the acquisition of clinical skills. It will include sufficient study in medical sciences to enable candidates to understand disease and medical care. The course will comprise the following components:

a) Sequential integrated modules:

Foundations of Health and Medical Practice Infection and Defence

Circulation and Breathing

Fluids, Nutrition and Metabolism of 24MC19pw16(o)6(l)12(i)12(s)20(m)30()28(o)36is

children) and general practice. Instruction and/or experience will be provided in medical and surgical specialities including geriatrics, infectious diseases (including genito-urinary and tropical medicine), cancer medicine/radiotherapy, neurology, cardiothoracic medicine and surgery, orthopaedics and rheumatology, urology and nephrology, anaesthesia, resuscitation and intensive care, otorhinolaryngology, ophthalmology and accident and emergency work, student selected placements. These placements will include experience of acute on-call work, a student assistantship shadowing the work of a Foundation Trainee and opportunities for revision and preparation for clinical examinations.

- b) The elective period will be not less than 8 weeks and arrangements must be approved by the Divisional Tutor or nominee.

5. Examinations in Years 1 and 2

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of the full Examination Board including external examiners.

- 5.11 Candidates who fail to attend the examinations without prior approval from the Divisional Extenuating Circumstances Panel are deemed to have made an entry to the examinations. These candidates will not be considered for a discretionary third attempt.

6. Examinations in Year 3

- 6.1 Examinations in Year 3 are conducted according to the Scheme of Award for the degree programme undertaken.
- 6.2 The marks awarded in Year 1 and in Year 2 will count towards the classification of the Year 3 Integrated BSc.
- 6.3 The marks awarded for the MBBS in Year 1 and Year 2 will be harmonised with UCL mark schemes in accordance with the Year 1 and Year 2 mark scheme, and will contribute to the final BSc degree classification in the ratio 1:1:6.

transitional arrangements are put in place, where necessary, to ensure that all candidates are able to fulfil all course requirements within the normal duration of the programme and that no candidate is disadvantaged.

10. Award of the Degrees of MBBS

- 10.1 To be awarded the degrees of MBBS a candidate must have satisfactorily completed and passed all years of the programme including an integrated degree programme (unless exempted), and must have submitted all required in-course assessments within 9 years of commencing the programme (8 years where exempted from the integrated degree).
- 10.2 A candidate who has been deemed unfit to practise by Fitness to Practise procedures may not be awarded the degrees of MBBS.

11. Notification of Results

- 11.1 After each Sub Board of Examiners meeting, unofficial provisional results will be communicated to candidates by the Medical School.
- 11.2 Confirmed results will be communicated to candidates by UCL.

12. Pass Lists

- 12.1 The official pass list for the MBBS degrees will be published not later than 14th July.
- 12.2 The date of the award of the degrees will be 15th July.
- 12.3 The official pass list shall show the names of successful candidates and include the awards of distinction.

13. Marks of Distinction

- 13.1 Marks of distinction may be awarded in Medical Sciences, in Clinical Science, and in Clinical Practice.
- 13.2 Marks of distinction in Medical Sciences will be awarded on the basis of examination performance in Years 1 and 2 of the MBBS course.
- 13.3 Marks of distinction in Clinical Science will be awarded on the basis of examination performance awarded in Year 4 and Year 5.
- 13.4 Marks of distinction in Clinical Practice will be awarded on the basis of examination performance in Year 6 of the MBBS course.
- 13.5 Candidates who are re-sitting examinations are not eligible for the award of a mark of distinction.

14. Registration with General Medical Council

- 14.1 A candidate (other than a fully registered medical practitioner) on whom University College London Senate confers the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) will be entitled to provisional registration with the GMC.

15. Issue of Diploma for MBBS

- 15.1 A diploma for the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, under the seal of University College London, will be delivered to each successful candidate who is awarded the degrees.

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