FACULTY OF MEDICINE, DENTISTRY AND HEALTH

General Regulations for Degrees in The Faculty of Medicine Dentistry and Health

The content of our courses is reviewed annually to make sure it’s up-to-date and relevant. Individual modules are occasionally updated or withdrawn. This is in response to discoveries through our world-leading research; funding changes; professional accreditation requirements; student or employer feedback; outcomes of reviews; and variations in staff or student numbers. In the event of any change the University will consult and inform students in good time and will take reasonable steps to minimise disruption.

Addition to PGT & UG regulations for all programmes leading to a professional qualification or additional qualification recognised by the General Medical Council and General Dental Council.

NOTE:

CARE OF PATIENTS, PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOURS AND FITNESS TO PRACTISE

(i) A student will not be permitted to take part in the care of patients, except under the supervision of a registered medical practitioner, or, in the case of dental patients, of a registered dental practitioner or dental care professional.

(ii) Attendance at the MBChB programme of study is on the basis of academic semesters up to the phase 2a Examination, or, in the case of the BDS programme of study, the first Examination. Thereafter, attendance for clinical studies is required throughout the year, except for approved short periods. Attendance for clinical studies for the Diploma in Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy is also required throughout the year, except for approved short periods. Where attendance is inadequate a candidate will be reported under the Regulations relating to the Progress of Students.

(iii) The Degrees of MBChB, BDS, Diploma in Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy are recognised for the purposes of the Medical Act 1983. The responsibilities of medical, dental, and other practitioners to their patients are such that the University must at all times have regard to a student’s fitness to practise in the relevant profession. Where doubts arise as to such fitness to practise, they will be dealt with under the Regulations relating to the health of students, with Discipline or with the Progress of Students, or with Fitness to Practise.

Addition to PGT & UG regulations within the Health Sciences School for all programmes leading to a professional qualification or additional qualification recognised by the Nursing and Midwifery Council and Health Care Professions Council

NOTE:

CARE OF PATIENTS, PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOURS AND FITNESS TO PRACTISE

(i) A student will not be permitted to take part in the care of patients, except under the supervision of a named person who holds effective first level registration on the Professional Register and/or other professional and academic qualifications and experience commensurate with the context of care delivery.

(ii) The Degree of Postgraduate, Preregistration Nursing (Adult), BMedSci Nursing Studies (Adult), Trainee Nursing Associate and Return to Practice leading to registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council is recognised for the purposes of the Nurses and Midwives Rules Approval Order 1983 SI No 873 as a qualification for professional practice.

(iii) The responsibilities of nursing, human communication science and orthoptic practitioners to their patients is such that the University must at all times have regard to a student’s fitness to practise in the relevant profession. Where doubts arise as to such fitness to practise, they will be dealt with under the Regulations relating to the health of students, with Discipline or with the Progress of Students, or with Fitness to Practise.

REGISTRATION WITH THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL

Subject to Review

In order to be eligible for full registration with the General Medical Council, a student who obtains a medical qualification must complete any statutory requirements prescribed by the GMC and be employed as a Foundation Year 1 trainee in approved hospital posts for a period of one year. While employed in these posts the trainee will have provisional registration to enable hospital duties to be carried out.

Students in the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry & Health who qualify for the award of the Degrees of MBChB and have spent more than one semester on approved schemes of study abroad will not, unless the Senate directs otherwise, be included in the lists of students holding a primary UK qualification submitted by the University to the General Medical Council for the purposes of section 4(3) of the Medical Act 1983.

A holder of the Degrees of MBChB who seeks full registration with the General Medical Council and who satisfies the requirements of the Medical Act 1983 as to experience may apply to the Postgraduate Dean for a certificate under Section 10 of that Act. In any case in which the Postgraduate Dean declines to issue a certificate the graduate may apply to the Appeals Committee of Senate. For this purpose that Committee will consist of three persons, appointed by the President and Vice-Chancellor, none of whom will have had previous dealings with the case: a chairman, who will be legally qualified, and two persons possessing appropriate clinical experience, one of whom may be a member of the clinical academic staff of another university.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry & Health note concerning “Care of patients, professional behaviours and fitness to practise”, as set out above.