

**Calendar 2009-10**

## **FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

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### **DATES OF SEMESTERS**

*Semester 1:* 21st September 2009 - 18th December 2009  
*Christmas Vacation:* 21st December 2009 - 8th January 2010

*Semester 2:* 11th January 2010 - 28th May 2010  
*Spring Vacation:* 29th March 2010 - 16th April 2010

***The above are standard University Semester dates: teaching dates for the MBChB vary from these and are detailed in Section II of the Regulations***

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## I APPEALS BY STUDENTS

The Senate is charged by the *Universities (Scotland) Acts* with a duty to superintend the teaching of the University. This is understood to include examining. The Senate has authorised the establishment of Faculty Appeals Committees to hear appeals in the first instance, as specified in the Code of Procedure for Appeals to a Faculty Appeals Committee.

A student may further appeal from the decision of the relevant Faculty Appeals Committee to the Senate.

Any appeal giving all the grounds of that appeal must be dispatched in writing to the Faculty Secretary/Academic Administrator of the relevant Faculty, or to the Director of the Senate Office, as appropriate, within 10 working days of the intimation to the student of the decision against which he or she is appealing.

Students are advised to consult the Faculty Academic Administrator before lodging an appeal to the Faculty Appeals Committee and the Director of the Senate Office, before lodging an appeal to the Senate Appeals Committee.

The Code of Procedure for Appeals to a Faculty Appeals Committee and the Code of Procedure for Appeals to the Senate are set out in that section of the *University Calendar* entitled 'University Fees and General Information for Students', which is available online at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/services/senateoffice/calendar](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/services/senateoffice/calendar). Copies are also available for students to consult in the Faculty Office.

The address of the Faculty Academic Administrator is The Wolfson Medical School Building, University Avenue, Glasgow G12 8QQ.

## II TEACHING DATES MBCHB

Year	Teaching Starts	Teaching Ends
Year 1	Wednesday 16 September 2009	Friday 18 December 2009
	Monday 11 January 2010	Friday 26 March 2010
	Monday 19 April 2010	Friday 28 May 2010
Year 2	Wednesday 16 September 2009	Friday 18 December 2009
	Monday 11 January 2010	Friday 26 March 2010
	Monday 19 April 2010	Friday 4 June 2010
Year 3	Monday 21 September 2009	Friday 11 December 2009
	Monday 4 January 2010	Friday 19 March 2010
	Monday 12 April 2010	Friday 25 June 2010
(Elective period)	Monday 28 June 2010	Friday 27 August 2010
Year 4	Monday 31 August 2009	Friday 18 December 2009
	Monday 4 January 2010	Friday 25 June 2010
(Elective period)	Monday 28 June 2010	Friday 27 August 2010
Year 5	Monday 31 August 2009	Friday 18 December 2009
	Monday 4 January 2010	Monday 25 June 2010
(FY1 shadowing - provisional)	Tuesday 27 July 2010	Monday 2 August 2010

or can be found at: [www.gla.ac.uk/media/media\\_115521\\_en.pdf](http://www.gla.ac.uk/media/media_115521_en.pdf)

## III UNDERGRADUATE ENTRY TO FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Before applying for admission to the Faculty of Medicine, all applicants should consult the most recent edition of the University's Undergraduate Prospectus. The Prospectus sets out the normal qualifications required for admission,

describes the application procedure, summarises the degree regulations and courses offered, and gives general information about the University. It is available in most U.K. schools, online at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/undergraduate](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/undergraduate) or it may be obtained from The Student Recruitment and Admissions Service, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QQ.

Information regarding the Higher Degrees of Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery, Doctor of Philosophy, Master of Science (Medical Science), Doctor in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsy), Master of Public Health (MPH) and Master of Primary Care (MPC) is given in the 'Graduate Studies' section of the *University Calendar*.

## IV UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES IN THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

### Generic Undergraduate Regulations

The Generic Undergraduate Regulations are governed by Resolution No. 582 of the University Court which came into effect on 1 September 2008 with the following provisions:

1. All undergraduate degrees of the University of Glasgow except those listed in §20 of the section entitled 'Regulations' below may be governed by common regulations (the Generic Undergraduate Regulations) and by supplementary regulations specific to each degree.
2. The Senate may make such Generic Undergraduate Regulations, which are subject to the approval of the University Court – these are stated in §1 - §19 of the section entitled 'Regulations' below.

### REGULATIONS

#### 1. Introductory and Definitions

These regulations must be read together with each degree's supplementary regulations and each degree programme specification. The definitions set out in the [Glossary of Terms](#) apply to these regulations.

#### 2. Scope of Regulations

These regulations apply to all undergraduate degrees offered by the University of Glasgow other than those listed in §20.

#### 3. Duration of Study

A candidate for a degree shall, subject to §4, normally attend the University of Glasgow either full-time or part-time for at least the number of academic sessions indicated as a minimum in the table below. The candidate must normally complete his or her studies for the award of a degree within the number of sessions indicated as a maximum in the degree's supplementary regulations.

Type of degree	Minimum duration of study (academic sessions)	
	Full-time	Part-time
Ordinary/designated degree <sup>1</sup>	3	4
Honours degree	4	5
MA Honours language degree	5	7
Integrated Masters degree <sup>2</sup>	5	6
BVMS, MBChB, BDS	5	N/A

#### 4. Recognition of Prior Learning

- 4.1 Credit may be awarded towards the completion of a degree programme for courses or examinations satisfactorily completed while following another programme at the University of Glasgow or at another institution or, where indicated in the degree's supplementary regulations, for other examinations satisfactorily completed. Such credit may permit a candidate entry to the second or subsequent year of the degree programme. The maximum limit for the award of such credit is, other than in exceptional circumstances and with the approval of the Clerk of Senate, 50% of the credits associated with the degree programme.
- 4.2 Although appropriate prior learning may be recognised for the award of credit, all such credit is ungraded for the purposes of the University except that credit obtained in earlier study at the University of Glasgow may be graded.

<sup>1</sup> The minimum duration of study for the ordinary degrees of Bachelor of Technical Education and MA Religious & Philosophical Education with Secondary Teaching Qualification is four academic sessions.

<sup>2</sup> In a minority of cases the minimum duration of study for an integrated Masters degree is four academic sessions.

- 4.3 Graded credit may be awarded for study undertaken at an institution other than the University of Glasgow where this is done while registered for a degree programme at the University of Glasgow.

## 5. Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning

Where indicated in the degree's supplementary regulations, a candidate may be awarded credit for prior experiential learning. The procedure for approval of such credit is set out in the University's [APL policy](#).

## 6. Composition of Degree Programmes

- 6.1 Each degree programme shall be composed of courses, each of which is characterised by the academic level at which it is set and the number of credits which it conveys. The course level will be expressed as 1, 2, 3, H or M, these corresponding to levels 7 to 11 in the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework. Each course shall convey either 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, or 60 credits, or exceptionally a different number of credits where approved by the Faculty.
- 6.2 In each academic session a full-time candidate will normally take courses conveying a total of 120 credits.
- 6.3 The structure of a degree programme, including the compulsory and optional courses of which it is composed, is shown in the degree's supplementary regulations and the programme specification.

## 7. Pre-requisites, Co-requisites and Excluded Combinations

- 7.1 Each course may have pre-requisite and/or co-requisite course(s). To be admitted to a course:
- (i) The candidate must normally have attained a grade D or better in each pre-requisite course. If the course follows a pre-requisite course in the same academic session, however, it shall be sufficient for the candidate to have attended the pre-requisite course.
  - (ii) The candidate must either have attended, or be concurrently attending, each co-requisite course.
- 7.2 Where a candidate's curriculum includes courses which form an excluded combination, credits from only one of these courses may be counted towards the requirements for award of a degree or other qualification.

## 8. Approval of Curriculum

The curriculum of each candidate must be approved at the start of each session by the candidate's Adviser of Studies. Once approved, the curriculum may not be altered except with the approval of an Adviser of Studies.<sup>3</sup>

## 9. Assessment

Assessment and re-assessment are governed by the Code of Assessment which is contained in the Fees and General Information for Students section of the *University Calendar*.

## 10. Progress

- 10.1 The progress of candidates shall be reviewed annually.
- 10.2 The requirements for a full-time candidate to progress are set out in the degree's supplementary regulations.
- 10.3 For a part-time candidate, the minimum achievement required to progress will be determined for and communicated to the candidate at the start of each session by the Principal/Senior/Chief Adviser for the degree on which the candidate is enrolled. A candidate who fails to meet this progress requirement must apply for re-admission to the Principal/Senior/Chief Adviser.

## 11. Administration of Progress

- 11.1 Decisions on progress shall be taken by the Faculty Progress Committee or a sub-committee thereof. The committee shall have the power to exclude a candidate or to impose conditions regarding a candidate's future progress.
- 11.2 The Faculty shall publish to all candidates the arrangements for identifying any candidate who does not comply with progress requirements. The Faculty shall notify such candidates of the date of the meeting of the committee and the procedures to permit a candidate to make representations at or prior to the committee meeting.
- 11.3 Appeal against decisions of the Faculty Progress Committee may be made following the Codes of Procedure set out in the Fees and General Information for Students section of the *University Calendar*.

## 12. Award of a Certificate in Higher Education

- 12.1 A candidate who has completed courses totalling at least 120 credits with a grade point average of at least 8.5 shall be eligible to receive a Certificate of Higher Education, unless the candidate proceeds immediately to a diploma or degree programme. This does not preclude the use in subsequent completion of a degree programme

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<sup>3</sup> Where a candidate is in the third or subsequent year of an Honours or integrated Masters programme, the approval of the Adviser extends to Honours/Masters status and not to individual courses.

of credit counted towards the award of a Certificate of Higher Education.

- 12.2 The Certificate of Higher Education shall be awarded with Merit where the grade point average is at least 12, and with Distinction where the grade point average is at least 14.
- 12.3 Where the candidate has accumulated more than 120 credits, the credit counted in the calculation of the grade point average shall be reduced to 120 credits by discarding all or part of the credit for certain of the courses in such a way as to maximise the grade point average while meeting all other requirements of the regulations.

### **13. Award of a Diploma of Higher Education**

- 13.1 A candidate who has completed courses totalling at least 240 credits, of which at least 80 credits are for courses at level 2 or above, with a grade point average of at least 8.5, shall be eligible to receive a Diploma of Higher Education, unless the candidate proceeds immediately to a degree programme. This does not preclude the use in subsequent completion of a degree programme of credit counted towards the award of a Diploma of Higher Education.
- 13.2 The Diploma of Higher Education shall be awarded with Merit where the grade point average is at least 12, and with Distinction where the grade point average is at least 14.
- 13.3 Where the candidate has accumulated more than 240 credits, the credit counted in the calculation of the grade point average shall be reduced to 240 credits by discarding all or part of the credit for certain of the courses in such a way as to maximise the grade point average while meeting all other requirements of the regulations.

### **14. Award of an Ordinary/Designated Degree**

- 14.1 Subject to further requirements contained in the degree's supplementary regulations, the candidate, to be eligible for the award of an ordinary/designated degree, must have obtained at least 360 credits and achieved an overall grade point average of 10. Within these 360 credits:
  - a) at least 120 must be at level 2 or higher, **and**
  - b) at least 280 must be at grade D or better including at least 60 at level 3 or higher.
- 14.2 Subject to further requirements contained in the degree's supplementary regulations, the ordinary/designated degree shall be awarded with Merit where the grade point average is at least 12, and with Distinction where the grade point average is at least 14.
- 14.3 Where the candidate has accumulated more than 360 credits, the credit counted in the calculation of the grade point average shall be reduced to 360 credits by discarding all or part of the credit for certain of the courses in such a way as to maximise the grade point average while meeting all other requirements of the regulations.
- 14.4 The ordinary/designated degree may be awarded to candidates on Honours programmes who fail to meet the requirements of the Honours degree, including any progress requirements, provided that the requirements of (a) above are met. The supplementary regulations for a degree programme shall specify any provision for candidates who have been assessed at level H to be reassessed at level 3.

### **15. Entry to an Honours or Integrated Masters Degree Programme**

- 15.1 In order to obtain entry to an Honours or integrated Masters degree programme, a candidate must normally:
  - (a) meet the requirements set out in the degree's supplementary regulations; and
  - (b) meet any additional requirements set by the Department or Departments in which the candidate is applying for entry to the Honours or integrated Masters programme.
- 15.2 The Faculty and Department will provide all candidates with written information on the specific level of performance required to obtain entry to each Honours and integrated Masters degree programme in the Department. This information will be made available to candidates at the start of the session preceding that in which Honours study normally commences.
- 15.3 Admission to an Honours or integrated Masters degree programme does not guarantee admission to a particular course. A candidate must apply for admission to a particular course in accordance with the instructions issued by the Department. Admission to a particular course cannot be guaranteed even for a candidate who satisfies the minimum admission requirements. Where there are more applicants for a particular course than there are places available, selection of candidates will be based on criteria published in course documentation and/or department web pages.
- 15.4 Additional regulations relating to Honours or integrated Masters degree programmes shall be included in the degree's supplementary regulations.

### **16. Award of an Honours Degree**

- 16.1 To be eligible for the award of an Honours degree, the candidate must have obtained at least 480 credits,

including at least 120 at level H, achieved a grade D3<sup>4</sup> or better for a piece of independent work worth at least 20 credits, and complied with the other requirements set out in the degree's supplementary regulations.

- 16.2 A scheme of assessment may permit a candidate for Honours in a single subject to be assessed in not more than 25% of the total assessment for Honours from the scheme of assessment in one other subject.

**17. Award of an Integrated Masters Degree**

To be eligible for the award of an integrated Masters degree, the candidate must have obtained at least 600 credits, including at least 120 credits at level M, completed a piece of independent work worth at least 20 credits, and complied with the other requirements set out in the degree's supplementary regulations.

**18. Award of an MBChB, BVMS or BDS Degree**

Eligibility for the award of an MBChB, BVMS or BDS degree is defined in the degree's supplementary regulations.

**19. Award of Certificates for Graduates Studying at Undergraduate Level**

A graduate of the University of Glasgow, or of another institution of tertiary education recognised for this purpose by the Senate, may be permitted by a Department in consultation with the Clerk of the Faculty to enrol in a course, complete the assessment elements of the course, and receive certification of the outcome of the assessment.

**20. Degree Programmes not Subject to these Regulations**

***Faculty of Medicine***

Degree of Bachelor of Science in Medical Science

***Faculty of Medicine: Dental***

Degree of Bachelor of Science in Dental Science

***Faculty of Veterinary Medicine***

Degree of Bachelor of Science in Veterinary Science

***All University of Glasgow degrees offered at the following institutions:***

Free Church of Scotland College

Glasgow School of Art

Scottish Agricultural College

Christie's Education, London

## **V DEGREES OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE AND BACHELOR OF SURGERY**

### **RESOLUTION**

The Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery are governed by Resolutions of the University Court. The provisions of Resolution No. 582 supporting the Generic Undergraduate Regulations are set out above; the provisions of Resolution No. 602, which at the time of going to print is in draft form, are as follows:

1. The Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine (MB) and Bachelor of Surgery (ChB) may be awarded by the University of Glasgow in the Faculty of Medicine (the Faculty). The Degree of Bachelor of Medicine shall not be awarded otherwise than with the Degree of Bachelor of Surgery, and *vice versa*.
2. The award of the Degrees shall be governed by the Generic Undergraduate Regulations which are governed by Resolution No. 582 of the University Court.
3. The Senate may make supplementary regulations governing the award of the Degrees which are subject to the approval of the University Court - these shall be as stated under 'Regulations' below.
4. The early exit award of the Degree of Bachelor of Medical Science (BMedSci) is included in the Regulation.

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<sup>4</sup> Any penalty imposed for the late submission of the piece of independent work will be ignored when determining whether this requirement has been met.

**REGULATIONS****1. Recognition of Prior Learning**

Prior experiential learning cannot be counted for credit on this Degree.

**2. Maximum Period of Study**

Except with the permission of the Senate, candidates are required to complete the course of study and examinations for the Degrees within five academic sessions and in exceptional circumstances six academic sessions of the date of first registration.

**3. Progress**

- 3.1 A candidate may not proceed to the next academic year of the curriculum until she or he has obtained a grade D or better in the summative assessments of the previous year.

**3.2 Exclusion of Candidates**

- 3.2.1 A candidate will be required to attend the Faculty Progress Committee and will normally be excluded if he or she fails to achieve grade D or better after two attempts in any of the following:

- (a) MB ChB I written examination or the MILE or coursework
- (b) MB ChB II written examination or clinical examination or coursework
- (c) MB ChB III written examination or clinical examination or coursework
- (d) MB ChB V written examination or clinical examination.

In addition a candidate will normally be excluded:

- (e) if he or she fails to complete the prescribed training and be assessed as competent in resuscitation after three attempts in year 3 and two attempts in year 5 (non-attendance which is not approved will count as a failure to demonstrate competence);
- (f) if he or she fails to achieve a grade D or better after three attempts at the Final Degree Examinations;
- (g) if he or she fails to attend and satisfactorily complete the 9 week Preparation for Practice block in year 5 .

- 3.2.2 A candidate will normally be excluded if he or she fails to achieve grade D or better in all Student Selected Components.

- 3.2.3 A candidate may be excluded:

- (a) if he or she does not comply with the attendance requirements stated in the course and programme handbooks (MB ChB Student Handbook);
- (b) if his or her conduct is such as to require a referral under the fitness to practise procedure (as identified in the Code of Professional Conduct for MB ChB Students - see §6.1 below).

- 3.3 The Faculty Progress Committee will have the authority to set aside the regulations governing exclusion and to permit a candidate to repeat a year of the programme. In considering each case, the Committee will have the right to take the candidate's attendance record into account (see §6.2 below).

**3.4 Carry Forward**

A candidate who is permitted to repeat a year will be allowed to carry forward any assessment in which he or she has attained a Grade D or better, but only to the following academic session. However, such a candidate will be required to attend all prescribed elements, with the exception of SSCs for which the candidate has attained a grade D or better, and undertake all in-course assessments in the same academic session, including those that have been successfully completed. A candidate who has achieved a grade D or better shall undertake such assessments formatively.

An assessment for which a candidate previously attained grade D or better and which is required to be re-taken beyond the carry forward period will be capped at the grade achieved at the previous attempt.

- 3.5 A candidate with outstanding tuition fees from the previous session will not be permitted to register and attend classes in the following session until the outstanding fees are paid. In addition, a candidate who has not satisfactorily completed any of the following will not be permitted to register and attend classes in the following session until such time as they have been satisfactorily completed:

- (a) criminal records check,
- (b) health screening,
- (c) Hep B immunization,

(d) Student Agreement.

### 3.6 Assessment

In addition to Generic Undergraduate Regulation §9 the following provisions apply:

- (a) A candidate who has failed any part of a diet must present himself or herself for re-examination on the first occasion for which he or she is eligible. The grade awarded as a result of the resit examination shall be no higher than D.
- (b) Since the Degree Examinations in the final academic year are a culmination of the integrated core, where a candidate has failed to comply with or not satisfied the requirements of the final year, and cannot remedy this by the end of the academic session, the outcome for that candidate shall be Credit Refused.
- (c) For the purposes of all assessments and degree examinations §16.52 of the Code of Assessment for Undergraduate and Taught Postgraduate Programmes does not apply. For the purpose of all assessments and degree examinations, 100% submission of all assessments is required.

## 4. Courses Available to Candidates

The courses available to candidates are set out in the programme specification.

## 5. Programme Requirements for the Award of the Degree

5.1 To be eligible for the award of the Degree a candidate must:

- (a) meet the core outcomes set by the General Medical Council<sup>5</sup>;
- (b) have attained a grade D or better in all summative assessments of years 1-5;
- (c) by the end of final year, have completed successfully ten clinical attachments, a portfolio of 40 clinical cases, the prescribed training and be assessed as competent in resuscitation, and a junior and senior elective. The candidate will normally be required to pass all Student Selected Components.

### 5.2 Distinction

A candidate may be awarded a pass with Distinction in any year in which he or she has shown excellent performance in both the written and clinical examinations on the first occasion of presenting himself or herself for those examinations.

### 5.3 Honours and Commendation

Awards of Honours and Commendation are based on the performance of the candidate throughout the five years of the Curriculum. Honours and Commendation will be awarded according to the criteria published from time to time by the Medical School.

## 6. Other Information on Awards

### 6.1 Fitness to Practise

All candidates must observe a standard of behaviour and professional conduct required of the medical practitioner. A candidate in breach of the Code of Professional Conduct for MB ChB Students will be subject to Fitness to Practise procedures, which may include referral to the Faculty Fitness to Practise Committee<sup>6</sup>. (See Fees and General Information Section XXXIV of the *University Calendar*).

### 6.2 Attendance

A candidate is required to achieve 100% attendance in all elements of the programme, including instances where the candidate is permitted to repeat a year.

### 6.3 Absence

Permission for a candidate to have leave of absence for special circumstances must be obtained from the appropriate Course Director in advance. The Medical School Office should be contacted in the first instance.

Persistent absence will normally result in a report to the Progress Committee.

Where a candidate is absent from a Degree examination owing to illness, a certificate signed by a doctor must be submitted to the Medical School office within 7 days of the absence.

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<sup>5</sup> These are published by the GMC and may be found at: [www.gmc-uk.org/education/undergraduate/undergraduate\\_policy.asp](http://www.gmc-uk.org/education/undergraduate/undergraduate_policy.asp)

<sup>6</sup> When applying for registration with the GMC, candidates are required to complete a declaration of fitness to practise, and the declaration must not be more than 3 months old. The GMC will consider any issue that calls into question a candidate's fitness to practice, including anything that occurred before or during the candidate's undergraduate years, and any decisions made by a fitness to practise panel or university committee.



#### 6.4 **Disclaimer**

Because of the needs of the Foundation Programme, a candidate will be required to sign a disclaimer to allow the Faculty of Medicine to pass on information to the Postgraduate Dean at the time of graduation (see §6.5 below).

#### 6.5 **General Medical Council (GMC) Registration**

Upon graduation a candidate will require provisional registration with the GMC, the conversion of which to full registration requires successful completion of the Foundation Programme. Since the Foundation Programme requires a candidate to work as a medical practitioner it may be necessary, in certain circumstances, for the University of Glasgow Medical School to pass on information to the Postgraduate Dean. Such information could relate to a candidate who is due to graduate but for whom some form of support in their initial postgraduate year might be necessary.

#### 6.6 **Combined Courses**

##### (a) *Degree of BSc (MedSci)*

At the end of the third year of the medical curriculum, a candidate may be permitted to undertake as an intercalated programme, the Degree of BSc (MedSci) Honours. Such a candidate will normally resume the medical curriculum in the session immediately following that in which he or she completed or terminated the programme leading to the Degree of BSc (MedSci).

##### (b) *Degree of BSc*

At the end of the third year of the medical curriculum, a candidate may be admitted at the discretion of the Faculty of Science to study for the Degree of BSc Honours. Such a candidate will be re-admitted to the medical curriculum provided he or she resumes study in the session immediately following that in which he or she completed or terminated study in the Faculty of Science.

#### 6.7 **Electives**

The Junior and Senior Electives are intended to permit a candidate to undertake the study in some depth of any aspect of the practice of medicine in recognised clinical specialities including general practice, and public health, which has the approval of the Dean. Electives may also include research experience in an appropriately supported setting. A candidate will be required to provide written evidence that his or her attendance and work during the periods of his or her approved electives have been satisfactory.

#### 6.8 **Exit Certificate/Diploma/Degree**

A candidate who has successfully completed one, two or three years of the programme and who, for good reason, is unable to complete the programme, is eligible for the award of the exit Certificate of Higher Education (Medical Science), Diploma of Higher Education (Medical Science), or Degree of Bachelor of Medical Science (BMedSci) respectively.

##### 6.8.1 *Degree of Bachelor of Medical Science*

- (a) A candidate who has successfully completed the first three years of the programme of study leading to the Degrees of MB ChB or BDS may transfer to these regulations and graduate with the Degree of Bachelor of Medical Science.
- (b) A candidate may be recommended for the award of the Degree of Bachelor of Medical Science:
  - (i) if he or she is unable or will be unable to complete the Final Professional Examination before the completion of his or her sixth session of study for the Degrees of MB ChB or BDS OR
  - (ii) has indicated in writing to the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine that he or she no longer wishes to pursue a curriculum leading to the Degrees of MB ChB or BDS.
- (c) Such a candidate, if graduating with the Degree of Bachelor of Medical Science, may not be a candidate either for the Degrees of BSc (MedSci) or BSc (DentSci) or for the Degrees of MB ChB or BDS, of the University of Glasgow on a future occasion.

##### 6.8.2 *Diploma of Higher Education (Medical Science)*

- (a) A candidate who has successfully completed the first two years of the programme of study leading to the Degree of MB ChB may transfer to these regulations and be awarded the Diploma of Higher Education (Medical Science).
- (b) A candidate may be recommended for the award of the Diploma of Higher Education (Medical Science):
  - (i) if he or she is unable or will be unable to complete the Final Professional Examination before the completion of his or her sixth session of study for the Degree of MB ChB OR
  - (ii) has indicated in writing to the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine that he or she no longer wishes to pursue a curriculum leading to the Degree of MB ChB.

- (c) Such a candidate, if awarded with the Diploma of Higher Education (Medical Science), may not be a candidate for the Degree of BSc (MedSci), BSc (DentSci), MB ChB, or BDS of the University of Glasgow on a future occasion.

#### 6.8.3 Certificate of Higher Education (Medical Science)

- (a) A candidate who has successfully completed the first year of the programme of study leading to the Degree of MB ChB may transfer to these regulations and be awarded the Certificate of Higher Education (Medical Science).
- (b) A candidate may be recommended for the award of the Certificate of Higher Education (Medical Science):
  - (i) if he or she is unable or will be unable to complete the Final Professional Examination before the completion of his or her sixth session of study for the Degree of MB ChB OR
  - (ii) has indicated in writing to the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine that he or she no longer wishes to pursue a curriculum leading to the Degree of MB ChB.
- (c) Such a candidate, if awarded the Certificate of Higher Education (Medical Science), may not be a candidate for the Degree of BSc (MedSci), BSc (DentSci), MB ChB, or BDS of the University of Glasgow on a future occasion.

## VI DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL SCIENCE

The Degree of Bachelor of Science in Medical Science is governed by Resolution No. 533 of the University Court which came into effect on 1 October 2004 with provision that:

1. The Degree of Bachelor of Science in Medical Science (BSc (MedSci)) may be awarded by the University of Glasgow as an Ordinary Degree or as a Degree with Honours in one or more principal subjects. The Degree may not be awarded *honoris causa tantum*. The Degree shall not be recognised as a primary qualification conferring the right of registration on the Medical Register.
2. The Senate may, with the consent of the University Court, make regulations governing the award of the Degree.
3. Every candidate for the Degree, unless granted a concession or exemption under Regulations made under this Resolution, must attend during no fewer than four academic sessions courses of instruction in the University of Glasgow in the subjects of study prescribed by Regulations made under this Resolution and must pass the examinations similarly prescribed.

## REGULATIONS

### 1. Duration of Degree Study

#### 1.1 Study in the University of Glasgow

Every candidate for the Degree, unless granted a concession or exemption under Regulation 2 for the Degree of MB ChB, must attend in the University of Glasgow during no fewer than three academic years courses of instruction in the classes of the first three years of the curriculum for the Degree of MB ChB, and pass the Degree examinations prescribed for these courses, normally at the first attempt. Every candidate is also required to undertake at least one further year of study as prescribed in Regulation 2 below.

#### 1.2 Recognition of Study

Every student admitted as a candidate for the Degree must also be a candidate for the Degree of MB ChB or have obtained the Degree of MB ChB not more than five years before the date of admission as a candidate for the Honours Degree.

Admission to the Honours study depends on satisfactory completion of studies in the year or years preceding admission and satisfaction of any entry requirements prescribed for a particular Honours course. Candidates must apply to the department(s) responsible for the courses to which they seek admission with a statement of their results achieved to date. Admission is at the discretion of the head(s) of department concerned but a candidate refused entry may submit for the consideration of the Faculty of Medicine any special circumstances bearing on his or her case.

### 2. General Structure and Assessment of Degree

The Degree follows a prescribed curriculum.

In addition to fulfilling the requirements set out in §1.1 above, every candidate must pursue advanced studies for at least one year in the University of Glasgow in one of the following principal subjects of study:

Anatomical Sciences

Biochemistry  
Clinical Medicine  
Genetics  
Microbiology  
Molecular & Cellular Biology  
Parasitology  
Pharmacology  
Physiology

or in such principal subjects of study in the University of Glasgow as may be approved by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine.

The year of study in one of the principal subjects for Honours may be intercalated after the third year of study or added on at the end of the course leading to the Degree of MB ChB, subject to the approval of the Faculty of Medicine.

Candidates are required to comply with instructions issued or approved by the Head of the Department in which courses are conducted relating to such matters as attendance at specified lectures, tutorials, laboratory or practical sessions, field courses, examinations and other events, the provision of necessary books, equipment and other materials for courses, submission of items of work such as essays, dissertations and project reports by particular dates. Such instructions must be given in writing at the beginning of the course concerned and reasonable notice of any alteration must be given.

## **2.1 Conditions of Study**

During the minimum period of study required for graduation by a candidate that candidate may not undertake any professional training or other occupation without the approval of the Faculty.

Candidates may not attend courses outwith their curriculum in another Faculty without the permission of the Faculty of Medicine.

## **2.2 Assessment**

Regulations for assessment are governed by the Code of Assessment which is contained in the Fees and General Information section of the *University Calendar*.

### *a) Honours Examination*

The written papers and other components of the Honours examination, all of which must be taken at a single diet of examination, shall be as prescribed in the syllabus of Honours examinations. The examiners at their discretion may further examine candidates orally. A dissertation on an approved topic may be substituted for any one of the relevant papers with the permission of the Head of Department concerned. Any such dissertation must be submitted by the beginning of Second Semester in the year in which the Honours examination is taken.

No candidate who has taken the Honours examination at any diet in a principal subject may subsequently retake the examination in the same subject without the permission of the Senate.

Honours are awarded in three classes but the second class may be divided into upper and lower divisions. The names of successful candidates within each class or division shall be arranged in alphabetical order. A candidate who has not been placed in any class may be recommended by the examiners for the award of an Ordinary Degree.

The standard of Honours examinations and the criteria for distinguishing the classes and divisions of classes shall be recommended by the Faculty to Senate for approval.

In assessing a candidate's performance for the purpose for the award of Honours the examiners shall have regard to the merit of his or her performance in the Honours examinations and may also have regard to the merit of his or her previous performance in the MB ChB Course.

Where a candidate who has duly completed the work in his or her Honours subject is prevented by illness medically certified or by other good cause from taking or completing the Honours examination:

- i) If the candidate has completed at least two-thirds of the prescribed Honours examination the examiners, having received reports on his or her class work, have imposed if they think fit a test or tests, written or oral, in lieu of the uncompleted part of the written examination and having considered all the evidence available to them, may recommend the award of the appropriate class of Honours Degree or an Ordinary Degree; or
- ii) If a candidate has completed a lesser or no part of the Honours examination the examiners shall receive reports on his or her class work and consider all the evidence available to them and if in their opinion the candidate would have reached at least the standard expected of candidates who are awarded Honours of the second class may recommend the award of an unclassified Honours Degree. If in their opinion the

candidate would not have reached that standard they may recommend the award of an Ordinary Degree.

The consent of a candidate to the award shall be required for the award of such an unclassified Honours or Ordinary Degree on the first occasion only on which it is recommended. If the candidate refuses the recommended award in the first occasion, or if the Examiners recommend neither an unclassified Honours nor an Ordinary Degree, then the candidate will be deemed not to have presented himself or herself for examination.

### **3. Progress of Students**

- 3.1 The Faculty with the approval of Senate may require any candidate to discontinue study for the Degree.

#### **3.2 Appeals**

Appeals against decisions of a department or the Faculty affecting a candidate should be made to the Faculty Appeals Committee in accordance with the procedure set out in the *University Calendar*.