

# **FACULTY OF MEDICINE: DENTAL SCHOOL**

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## **DATES OF SEMESTERS**

Semester 1: 27th September 2005 - 20th January 2006

Christmas Vacation: 19th December 2005 - 6th January 2006

Semester 2: 23rd January 2006- 2nd June 2006

Spring Vacation: 20th March 2006 - 7th April 2006

|                        | Teaching Starts   | Teaching Ends      |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1st Years              | 27 September 2005 | 16th December 2005 |
|                        | 9 January 2006    | 17 March 2006      |
|                        | 10 April 2006     | 2 June 2006        |
| 2nd, 3rd and 4th Years | 27 September 2005 | 16 December 2005   |
|                        | 4 January 2006    | 31 March 2006      |
|                        | 18 April 2006     | 23 June 2006       |
| Elective Period        | 31 July 2006      | 22 September 2006  |
| 5th Year               | 27 September 2005 | 16 December 2005   |
|                        | 4 January 2006    | 31 March 2006      |
|                        | 18 April 2006     | 23 June 2006       |

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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 despatched in writing to the Faculty Secretary of the relevant Faculty, or to the Head 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 Head 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 <a href="http://senate.gla.ac.uk/calendar/">http://senate.gla.ac.uk/calendar/</a>. Copies are also available for students to consult in the Dental School Office.

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

## **II UNDERGRADUATE ENTRY**

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, or it may be obtained from The Student Recruitment and Admissions Service, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QQ.

Information regarding the higher degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) is given in the 'Graduate Studies' section of the University Calendar.

## III DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF DENTAL SURGERY (PRE-2004 CURRICULUM)

Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery came into force in 1966. The relevant provisions are as follows:

- 1. The Degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) may be conferred by the University of Glasgow.
- 2. a) The curriculum shall extend over five academical years.
  - b) A candidate shall spend at least eight terms in study in the University. The remaining period of the curriculum may be spent in any other University or Dental School approved for this purpose by the University Court after consultation with the Senatus Academicus.
- 3. The regulations for the degree shall be as stated in the Schedule hereto.
- 4. The Examiners for the degree shall be the Professors, Readers, and Lecturers who conduct courses qualifying for graduation in Dentistry in the University, and such other internal and additional Examiners as the University Court shall appoint: provided that every candidate shall be examined in each subject by at least two Examiners of whom one shall not be a Professor, Reader or Lecturer in the University.
- 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Resolution the Senatus Academicus may, during a period not exceeding seven years from the date on which this Resolution shall come into operation, permit a candidate to offer himself or herself for the Degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery under the regulations previously in force.

## **REGULATIONS**

## General

## 1. Length of Course

The course of study for the Degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery must extend over not less than five academical years.

### 2. Exemption

A candidate may be granted such exemption from courses and examinations as may be approved by the Senatus on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine provided that he or she spends not less than eight terms in study at the University.

### 3. Departmental Instructions

Students shall be required to comply with such departmental instructions as are prescribed by the Course Co-ordinators in charge of the course concerned. Such instructions may require students: to attend specified tutorials, laboratory or practical sessions, field courses, examinations and other events; to provide themselves with such books, equipment and other materials as are necessary for the course; to submit items of work, including essays, dissertations and project reports, by such dates as may be instructed. All such instructions shall be given to the students in writing at the beginning of the course concerned. Reasonable notice of any alteration to them will also be given. A student who fails to comply with these instructions may be judged not to have successfully completed the relevant course.

## Order of Study and Examination

### 4. Courses and Examinations

The courses and examinations of the curriculum shall be as follows:

#### First Year Courses:

Biomolecular Science, Anatomy, Physiology, Biostatistics, Introduction to Dentistry, Oral Health and First Aid. Tooth Morphology.

### **First Professional Examination**

June: Anatomy, Biomolecular Science, Physiology

September: Second diet of examination.

#### Second Year Courses:

Applied Biodental Sciences, Environment Behaviour and Health, Pharmacology / Pathology / Microbiology.

#### **Second Professional Examination**

June: Applied Biodental Sciences

Pharmacology / Pathology / Microbiology

Environment Behaviour and Health

September: Second diet of examination.

## Third Year Courses:

Clinical Dentistry including Dental Materials Science, Human Disease, Prosthodontics, Operative Dentistry, Oral Surgery, Periodontology, Paediatric Dentistry (Operative Techniques), Rotational Clinics.

## **Third Professional Examination**

June: Human Disease

Clinical Dentistry including Dental Materials Science

September: Second diet of examination.

## Fourth Year Courses:

Dental Public Health, Anaesthetics, Paediatric Dentistry, Dental Radiology, Dental Therapeutics, Oral Pathology, Oral Surgery, Orthodontics, Operative Dentistry, Periodontology, Prosthodontics, Rotational Clinics, Elective.

## **Fourth Professional Examination**

May: Dental Therapeutics and Anaesthetics

Oral Pathology

Dental Radiology

Dental Public Health

September: Second diet of examination.

## Fifth Year Courses:

Prosthodontics, Clinical Practice Unit, Periodontology, Consultant Clinics, Rotational Clinics, Operative Dentistry, Oral Medicine, Maxillo-Facial Surgery, Dental Jurisprudence, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Oral Surgery/Oral Medicine seminars, Dental Radiology, Clinical Practice Management.

## **Final Professional Examination**

May/June:

- (i) Written
- (ii) Comprehensive Oral Care Case Presentation

- (iii) Clinical Case Scenario Adult
- (iv) Clinical Case Scenario Child
- (v) Unseen Clinical case

October/November: Second diet of examination.

### 5. Progress

- 5.1 The Dental School has a Code of Professional Conduct and Fitness to Practice, which all students are expected to assent to on entry to the programme and at the beginning of each year of study thereafter. Any student refusing to assent to the code will not be permitted to progress. Any student found to be in breach of the code may be referred to the Faculty of Medicine Fitness to Practice Committee (see General Regulations 41).
- 5.2 A candidate may not proceed to any stage of the curriculum until he or she has successfully completed, or has been granted exemption from, the preceding courses.

The criteria for successful completion of a course shall be set out in the relevant course information handbook and shall normally include:

Satisfactory attendance and compliance with course instructions;

Satisfactory completion of coursework;

Fulfilment of the stated criteria for a successful appearance at the Professional Examinations.

Before being admitted to the final year a student must satisfy the requirements above and in addition complete all of the course requirements pertaining to the Fourth year as set out in the Course Information Documents for: Adult Dental Care (Operative Dentistry, Periodontology, Prosthodontics), Child Dental Care (Orthodontics & Paediatric Dentistry), Oral Surgery/Oral Medicine.

A candidate may not graduate BDS unless he/she has successfully completed the requirements of the following courses

- i) Adult Dental Care.
- ii) Child Dental Care.
- iii) Oral Surgery/Oral Medicine

and satisfied the Board of Examiners in the Final Professional Examinations.

## **Combined Course**

## 6. Intercalated degrees

Selected candidates may be admitted after the third year of the BDS course, at the discretion of the Faculty of Medicine, to study for a one-year intercalated BSc(DentSci). Students will be considered for admission to the BSc(DentSci) if they amass a total of+6 or more on the scoring system published by the Faculty. Due to the limitation of places available in all subject areas, it may not be possible to guarantee entry to a student's first choice of degree subject; however, an alternative offer may be made. Depending on student demand, candidates who have not amassed a total of +6 may be considered for entry to the degree, subject to the availability of places in the class. The Degree of BSc(DentSci) is governed by Resolution 382 of the University Court which came into force on 20th October, 1993. At present the subjects available for study are Anatomical Sciences, Biochemistry, Cellular & Molecular Biology, Genetics, Microbiology, Parasitology, Pharmacology and Physiology.

In addition, students may be admitted after the second year of the BDS course, at the discretion of the Faculty of Science, to study for the Degree of BSc.

Such candidates will be readmitted to the BDS course provided they resume their studies in the session immediately following that in which they completed or terminated their studies in the Faculty of Science.

## **Examinations**

### 7. Conduct

Examinations in all subjects may be conducted in writing and orally. When it is appropriate a clinical or practical examination is also held.

## 8. Class records

The work done by a candidate, throughout the course of study in the subject of an examination, may be taken into account by the examiners.

## 9. Entry and Re-entry

A candidate must present himself or herself in all the subjects of the appropriate Professional Examination on the first possible occasion after completing the prescribed course of study. A candidate who has failed in the examination in any subject of a Professional Examination must present himself or herself for re-examination in that subject on the first occasion for which he or she is eligible. On each occasion of taking a Professional Examination a candidate must present himself or

herself in all of the subjects of that examination in which he or she has not already passed. The Faculty of Medicine may exceptionally permit a candidate to postpone entry to all or any of the subjects of a Professional Examination. The grade awarded as the result of a resit examination or assessment will be no higher than grade D.

#### 10. Passes

A candidate may be granted a single pass in one or more of the subjects of a Professional Examination.

#### 11. Absence

A student who is absent from classes due to illness should inform the Dental School Office in accordance with the instructions set out in the BDS course handbook.

Absence from either a class or a Professional Examination due to illness requires a certificate to be received by the - Registry within 7 days of the date of the examination, otherwise the candidate will be deemed to have sat and failed the examination and gained no marks on that occasion.

The Dental School Office may make further enquiries of the doctor who issued the medical certificate, through the Medical Officer of the Student Health Service, who may require the student to attend for medical examination.

### 12. Referred Study

A candidate who has failed in an examination in any subject will not be readmitted to that examination until he or she has fulfilled any conditions of further study which the Faculty of Medicine may prescribe.

#### 13. Distinction

A candidate may be awarded a pass with distinction in any subject of a Professional Examination in which he or she has shown special merit on the first occasion of presenting himself or herself for that examination.

#### 14. Honours and Commendation

A candidate who has shown special merit as indicated by his or her performance in the First-Final Professional Examinations may be awarded (i) Honours or (ii) Commendation. Only the grades gained on the first occasion of offering or being deemed to have offered a subject will be included in the aggregate for this purpose.

#### **Exclusion of Students**

### 15. Grounds

A candidate whose conduct or progress is considered not to be satisfactory may be excluded from further instruction and examination for the degree of BDS. A candidate is normally excluded:

- a) if he or she fails to pass all subjects of the First Professional Examination after two attempts;
- b) if he or she fails to pass at least two subjects of the Second Professional Examination after two attempts, or if he or she fails the outstanding subject of the Second Professional Examination after a third attempt;
- c) if he or she is unable, or will be unable to successfully complete all the constituent courses of the BDS programme by the end of his or her 6<sup>th</sup> session in the study of Dentistry;
- d) if he or she fails to complete the Final Professional Examination after three attempts;
- e) every candidate must normally obtain the Certificate of Basic IT Competence in his or her first year of study in order to progress to subsequent years.

A student whose studies have been so terminated shall have the right of appeal to the Appeals Committee of the Faculty.

### 16. Elective

In the case of an elective which is intended to permit students to undertake, in or furth of Glasgow, the study in some depth of any aspect of dental science or the practice of dentistry, which has the approval of the Head of the Dental School, a candidate shall be required to provide written evidence that his or her attendance and work during the period of his or her approved elective have been satisfactory.

## 17. Study Overseas

Candidates for the Degree of BDS are permitted to study overseas within the provisions of SOCRATES or other Student Exchange Schemes approved by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senatus. They may be allowed to count courses attended as qualifying towards the Degree of BDS provided that the Senatus, on the recommendation of Faculty, confirms that the content and standard of such courses is either equivalent to or an approved substitute for the corresponding course or part thereof prescribed for the Degree of BDS. Such study overseas shall be limited to twelve consecutive weeks, eight of which shall be during the period of elective study and the remaining four during the first month of the Martinmas term of the final year immediately following. Special consideration may be given to candidates wishing to undertake an exchange outwith these weeks where the host institution is unable to accept candidates during the stated period. Such special arrangements shall normally be limited to a maximum of eight consecutive weeks during Martinmas term.

## IV DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF DENTAL SURGERY (2004 CURRICULUM)

The degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) is governed by Resolution of the University Court with provision that:

- 1. The degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery may be conferred by the University of Glasgow in the Faculty of Medicine as a degree in such designations as may be prescribed by Regulations;
- 2. The Senate will make Regulations governing the award of the degree, which are subject to the approval of the University Court. These shall be stated under 'Regulations' below;
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Resolution, the Senate may permit any student whose course of study was begun before the date on which this Resolution comes into force to offer himself or herself for the Degree under the regulations previously in force provided that, except by dispensation of Senate, no such permission will be granted after 7 years from that date.

## **REGULATIONS**

### 1. Duration of Degree Study

- a) The programme for the degree shall normally extend over no fewer than five and not more than seven academical years of full-time study.
- b) The maximum duration of study indicated above is not inclusive of intercalating degrees.
- c) Study in another University or Dental School may be recognised as contributing to the minimum required period of study, at the discretion of the Head of the Dental School and provided that the institution concerned is approved for this purpose by the University Court, after consultation with Senate.
- d) Exemptions from elements of courses and examinations may be granted to students who have, in the judgement of the Head of the Dental School, completed equivalent study and/or examinations in other departments of the University of Glasgow, as approved by Senate, on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine.
- e) Notwithstanding (c) and (d) above, a candidate must spend at least three years in study in the Dental School of the University of Glasgow and these shall normally be years three, four and five.

### 2. General Structure and Assessment of Degree

### 2.1 Structure

The BDS degree is a non-modular programme in which study of the following themes is integrated over the curriculum: Bio-Medical Sciences, Patient Management and Health Promotion, Clinical Medical Sciences and Clinical Dental Sciences. There are five compulsory courses that correspond to the five years of the curriculum:

BDS1

BDS2

BDS3

BDS4

BDS5

# 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 Calendar.

The assessment scheme consists of:

Continuous Assessment (Formative);

Portfolio Assignments (Formative and Summative);

In-course Competence Assessments (Summative);

1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and Final Professional Examinations (Summative).

Regulations relating to individual assessments shall be contained in the respective Course Information Document.

Candidates shall attempt all components of a professional examination at the specified diet, which shall normally be the first possible diet after completing the prescribed course of study. Exceptionally, candidates may be permitted to defer entry to a professional examination.

Course Information Documents shall stipulate when and where a referred candidate may carry to the re-sit diet a grade or grades of "D" or above in components of an examination. A referred candidate must fulfil any conditions of further study which the Dental School may prescribe prior to readmission to a professional examination. The grade awarded as the result of a resit examination or assessment will be no higher than grade D.

### 2.3 Honours and Commendation.

The degree of BDS may be awarded with Honours or Commendation to candidates who have shown special merit throughout the course and in professional examinations.

## 3. Progress of Students

- 3.1 The Dental School has a Code of Professional Conduct and Fitness to Practice, which all students are expected to assent to on entry to the programme and at the beginning of each year of study thereafter. Any student refusing to assent to the code will not be permitted to progress. Any student found to be in breach of the code may be referred to the Faculty of Medicine Fitness to Practice Committee (see General Regulations 41).
- 3.2 A candidate may not proceed to any stage of the curriculum until he or she has successfully completed, or has been granted exemption from, the preceding course. The criteria for successful completion of a course shall be set out in the relevant Course Information -Document and shall normally include:

Satisfactory attendance and compliance with course instructions;

Satisfactory completion of portfolio assignments;

Satisfactory mentors report;

The attainment of competence in relation to designated learning outcomes;

Fulfillment of the stated criteria for a successful appearance at the professional examination;

A candidate may not graduate BDS unless he/she has successfully completed the BDS5 course and satisfied the Board of Examiners in the Final Professional Examination.

Every candidate must normally have obtained the Certificate of Basic IT Competence in his or her first session in order to progress to subsequent sessions of study and to qualify for any award covered by these regulations.

3.3 A candidate whose attendance, conduct or progress is considered to be unsatisfactory may be excluded from further instruction and examination for the degree of BDS.

A candidate shall normally be excluded:

- a) If he or she fails to pass the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> professional examination after two attempts.
- b) If he or she will be unable to fulfill the requirements of the BDS5 course, as set out in the Course Information Document, before the end of his or her 6<sup>th</sup> session in the study of Dentistry.

The Faculty of Medicine Progress Committee shall have the authority to rule on issues of progress, including the authority to set aside the regulations governing exclusion and to permit a student to repeat a year of the course. Students may appeal against decisions of the Progress Committee to the Faculty of Medicine Appeals Committee.

3.4 Students who have temporarily withdrawn from the BDS programme on medical or other grounds may be readmitted to study at the discretion of the Head of the Dental School. Where readmission is permitted the Head shall determine, on advice, the appropriate point for re-entry and the conditions of study which shall apply.

## 4. Absence, Elective Study, Overseas Study, Intercalated Degrees.

## 4.1 Absence

Attendance at clinical placements is compulsory. Students absent through illness must comply with the Student Absence Regulations (Registry). Requests for leave of absence for other reasons should be submitted to the Director of Dental Education in writing at least three weeks in advance.

## 4.2 Elective Study

All students must complete an elective study project; the reporting of which shall be included as a portfolio assignment. Protocols must be approved by an elective supervisor prior to the study period. Where the elective project involves a period of study outwith Glasgow, an appropriate local supervisor must be chosen and approved by the Convener of the Electives Committee. The student must produce written evidence of satisfactory attendance and work during the elective period spent away from the Dental School.

## 4.3 Study Overseas

Candidates for the degree of BDS are permitted to study overseas within the provisions of the Socrates agreement or other student exchange schemes approved by the University Court on the recommendation of Senate. They may be allowed to count courses attended as qualifying towards the degree of BDS provided that Senate, on the recommendation of Faculty, confirms that the content and standard of such courses is either equivalent to, or an approved substitute for, the corresponding course or part thereof prescribed for the Degree of BDS. Such study overseas shall be limited to twelve consecutive weeks, the first eight of which shall be during the elective period. Special consideration may be given to candidates wishing to participate in an exchange outwith these weeks.

## 4.4 Intercalated Degrees

Selected candidates may be admitted after the third year of the BDS course, at the discretion of the Faculty of Medicine and

on the basis of academic merit, to study for a one-year intercalated BSc(DentSci). In addition, students may be admitted after the second year of the BDS course, at the discretion of the Faculty of Biomedical and Life Science, to study for the degree of BSc. Such candidates will be readmitted to the BDS course provided that they resume their studies in the session immediately following that in which they completed or terminated their intercalated degree.

## V DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DENTAL SCIENCE

The Degree of BSc(DentSci) is governed by Resolution No. 382 of the University Court which came into effect on 20 October 1993. The relevant provisions are as follows:

- 1. The Degree of Bachelor of Science in Dental Science BSc(DentSci) may be conferred 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 Dental Registrar.
- 2. Every candidate for the degree, unless granted a concession or exemption under Regulations made under this Resolution, must attend during not less 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.
- 3. The examiners for the degree shall be persons in the University of Glasgow who conduct courses qualifying towards the degree and such additional examiners as the University Court may appoint, on the recommendation of the Senate.
- 4. The Senate may, with the consent of the University Court, make regulations governing the award of the degree.
- 5. The regulations for the degree shall be as stated in the schedule hereto.

## **REGULATIONS**

The following Regulations are made in terms of Sections 3 and 4 of Resolution No. 382 of the University Court.

### 1. Preliminary Requirement

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

### 2. Attendance

Every candidate for the degree, unless granted a concession or exemption under Regulation 2 of the Degree of BDS (Pre-2004 Curriculum) or Regulation 1(d) of the 2004 BDS Curriculum, 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 BDS, and pass the degree examinations prescribed for these courses, normally at the first attempt.

In addition to fulfilling the requirements set out 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

Cellular & Molecular Biology

Genetics

Microbiology

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 BDS, subject to the approval of the Faculty of Medicine.

### 3. Admission

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.

## 4. Conditions of Study

- a) 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.
- b) Candidates may not attend courses outwith their curriculum in another Faculty without the permission of the Faculty.
- c) 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.

## 5. Progress in Studies

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

## 6. 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*.

### 7. 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 Whitsun term in the year in which the Honours examination is taken.

No candidate who has taken 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 BDS 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:

- a) 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
- b) if a candidate has completed a lesser or no part of the Honours examination the examiner 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 such an award is refused on this occasion the candidate will be deemed not to have taken the examination.