

Medical Sciences Divisional Board**Approved by the Chair of Education Committee on 22 August 2019****Title of Examination**

Regulations for Degrees in Medicine and Surgery (General Regulations)

Brief note about nature of change: Major restructure of Graduate-entry Medicine programme**Location of change**In *Examination Regulations 2018* <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rfdimediandsurg/>**Effective date****For students starting from MT 2019****For first examination from 2019-20****Detail of change****Examinations leading to the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine**

1. A student following the standard 6-year Medicine course will complete the following examinations:

Pre-clinical studies (Years 1-3)

Year 1: Part I of the First Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine Part I (First BM Part I)

Year 2: Part II of the First Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine Part I (First BM Part II)

Year 3: Honour School of Medical Sciences (FHS Medical Sciences) and the Qualifying Examination in the Principles of Clinical Anatomy

Clinical studies (Years 4-6)

Year 4: Year 4 **[Until MT 2018: Year 1]** assessments of the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine (Second BM)

Year 5: Year 5 **[Until MT 2018: Year 2]** assessments of the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine (Second BM)

Year 6: Year 6 **[Until MT 2018: Year 3]** assessments of the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine (Second BM)

2. A student following the accelerated 4-year (Graduate-entry) course will complete the following examinations:

Year 1: ~~Part I of the Preliminary Examination in~~ Graduate-entry Medicine

Year 2: ~~Part II of the Preliminary Year 2 Examination in~~ Graduate-entry Medicine and a specified number of the Year 4 **[Until MT 2018: Year 1]** assessments of the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine (Second BM)

Year 3: Year 5 **[Until MT 2018: Year 2]** assessments of the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine (Second BM)

Year 4: Year 6 **[Until MT 2018: Year 3]** assessments of the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine (Second BM)

Qualifications of Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine

1. A student who has been admitted to the Degree of Bachelor of Arts with Honours may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine, provided that they shall have passed the examinations hereinafter prescribed.

2. A candidate who has been admitted to the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine by the Medical Sciences Board under the provisions of clause 1 of the special regulations for the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine without having been admitted to the Degree of Bachelor of Arts with Honours, provided that they shall have passed the Second Examination and shall have kept statutable residence for six terms.

3. A candidate for the ~~Preliminary Examination in Medicine~~ Preliminary Examination in Graduate-entry Medicine or the Year 2 Examination in Graduate-entry Medicine or for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine who has been admitted under the provisions of clause 1 of the special regulations for the Second Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine and who is not a graduate of the University may wear the same gown as that worn by Students for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Explanatory Notes

The Graduate-entry Education Committee has proposed changes to improve the structure of assessments in Years 1 and 2 of the Graduate-entry Medicine course. This is in response to student and examiner feedback over several years, and in response to a review of the course conducted by the Medical Sciences Division in 2015. A working group was set up during Trinity Term 2018 to plan and recommend changes to the structure of teaching and assessment in the long term.

The Preliminary Examination in Medicine is to be changed from a two-part examination, sat at the end of Years 1 and 2, to a one-part examination, sat at the end of Year 1. The name of the Year 1 examination will be changed to the Preliminary Examination in Graduate-entry Medicine. The former Part II of the examination will become a separate examination, called the Year 2 examination in Graduate-entry Medicine.

See related notices in this Gazette (1819-13-MUG, 1819-14-MUG, 1819-15-MUG, 1819-18-MUG)