Medical Sciences Divisional Board

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Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation [if general]]
Graduate-entry Medicine / Year 2 Examination in Graduate-entry Medicine

Brief note about nature of change: Minor amendments to assessment.

Location of change
https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=y2eigradentrmedi&srchYear=2020&srchTerm=1&year=2019&term=1

Effective date
For students starting course from MT 2020 (starting Year 2 in MT 2021)
And
For first examination from 2021-22

Detail of change
1. Delete citation 1.1:

   (These regulations are for students starting the Graduate-entry Medicine programme in 2019-20 and entering year 2 in Michaelmas term 2020.)

2. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

   The examination will consist of nineeight components. Candidates must offer all nineeight assessment units at the first scheduled opportunity in one academic year.

3. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:

   A candidate who has satisfied the Examiners in all nineeight components will be deemed to have passed the Examination.
4. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:

The Core Medical Science (Part II) paper and Laboratory Medicine assessment will be set during Michaelmas Term, and the second sitting of these assessments will normally take place during Hilary Term. The remaining assessment units will be set during Trinity Term. The second sitting of the OSCE will be during Trinity Term, and the second sitting of the remaining components will be during the following Vacation.

5. Citations 1.14 and 1.15: delete this text.

For the Core Medical Sciences (Part II) paper, the Integrated Clinical paper, the special academic interest project work, and the OSCE, the result of each assessment unit will be pass or fail, and for the Data Interpretation paper and the Submitted Essay on a Public Health topic, the result of each assessment unit will be a percentage mark. Additionally, the Examiners may award a merit for any component of the examination. The criteria for the award of a merit for each component will be specified in the Examination Conventions.

Examiners may award Distinctions for outstanding performance in the examination as a whole, by candidates sitting the examination for the first time.

6. Amend citation 1.21 as follows:

2. Integrated Clinical paper in Medicine, Surgery and Applied Pathology (two hours)

7. Amend citation 1.22 as follows:

This paper will test core knowledge and understanding through problem-based questions requiring short written answers consist of multiple choice questions to be sat as a computer-based assessment.

8. Amend citation 1.23 as follows:

3. Data Interpretation Critical Appraisal (two and a half hours)

9. Amend citation 1.32 as follows:

The essay must be submitted via the University approved online submission system virtual learning environment (according to the instructions set out in the notification to candidates from the Chair of Examiners) not later than noon on the Tuesday of Week 1 of Trinity Term.
10. Amend citation 1.44 as follows:

The abstract must be submitted via the University approved online submission system virtual learning environment (according to the instructions set out in the notification to candidates from the Chair of Examiners) not later than noon on the Monday of Week 8 of Trinity Term by a date in Trinity Term to be specified to the candidates in a communication from the Chair of Examiners.

11. Amend citation 1.51 as follows:

8. Medicine Clinical placements

12. Delete citations 1.52 to 1.55:

Candidates are required to have satisfactorily completed the course of instruction and associated assessments, as prescribed for the Year 4 assessments in the Second BM examination.

9. Surgery

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The Director of Graduate-entry Medical Studies will make available to the examiners evidence (in the form of a list of names, signed by the Director or a deputy) to certify that each candidate has a satisfactory record of attendance for clinical attachments and completion of the relevant ePortfolio requirements. An unsatisfactory record, in the absence of appropriate documentary evidence, will normally result in the candidate being required to complete remedial work by a specified deadline. Failure to complete the remedial work will normally constitute failure of the Year 2 Examination.

13. Add a new citation 1.52:

The Director of Graduate-entry Medical Studies will make available to the examiners evidence (in the form of a list of names, signed by the Director or a deputy) to certify that each candidate has a satisfactory record of attendance for clinical attachments and completion of the relevant ePortfolio requirements, to include Medicine, Surgery and attachments outside Oxford. An unsatisfactory record, in the absence of appropriate documentary evidence, will normally result in the candidate being required to complete remedial work by a specified deadline. Failure to complete the remedial work will normally constitute failure of the Year 2 Examination.
Explanatory Notes

1. The two assessment units relating to clinical placements have been combined into a single assessment unit, and the requirements have been clarified.

2. Changes have been made to the name and format of the Integrated Clinical paper.

3. References to the virtual learning environment for submissions of coursework have been amended.

4. The deadline for submission of the abstract for the Special Academic Interest research project is no longer specified in the Examination Regulations so that it can be varied each year depending on external factors (the timing of clinical placements and the timing of the unseen examinations).

5. Text relating to the award of Merits and Distinctions has been removed, as this is contained in the Examination Conventions.