

MSc SSaP

TT 2024

Continuing Education Strategic Management Board/Medical Sciences Division

Approved by EdC 20.05.24

Title of programme

Master of Science by Coursework in Surgical Science and Practice

Brief note about nature of change: Change to minimum duration from three to four terms, minor routine updates

Location of change in Examination Regulations

<https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=mosciscieandprac&srchYear=2023&srchTerm=1&year=2023&term=1>

Effective date

For students starting from MT2024

And

For first examination from 2024-25

Detail of change

MSc Surgical Science and Practice

1. The Medical Sciences Board, jointly with the Continuing Education Strategic Management Board, shall elect for the supervision of the course a Standing Committee, which shall have the power to arrange lectures and other instruction.

2. The course is available on a part time basis only and shall consist of instruction in the theory and practice of Surgical Science and Practice.
3. The policy of the Continuing Education Board on variable intensity part time study shall apply to this award.
4. The minimum period of registration on the M.Sc. shall be ~~three~~ four terms and the maximum period of registration shall be twelve terms.
5. Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in the following:

(a) Six written assignments, one on each of the modules in the Schedule below, each of not more than 4,000 words in length.

(b) A dissertation of not more than 15,000 words on a subject selected by the candidate in consultation with the supervisor and approved by the Standing Committee. Approval must be sought no later than the first day of the ninth term of registration. The dissertation must be submitted within three terms of the date of approval, notwithstanding the maximum permitted period of registration.

The assignments and dissertation set out above shall be submitted to the examiners via the University approved online assessment platform, in a format to be prescribed in the course handbook, for consideration by such date as the examiners shall determine and shall notify candidates by the dates published in the course handbook at the beginning of each academic year.

~~6. Candidates may be required to attend a viva voce examination at the end of the course of studies at the discretion of the examiners.~~

7. ~~6.~~ Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in any part of the examination under 5 (a-b) above will be permitted to resubmit work in respect of the part or parts of the examination that they have failed, on not more than one occasion for each assignment without being required to repeat attendance at the relevant module or modules. The resubmission will normally be within one year of the original failure.

~~8.~~ 7. Provided the Standing Committee is satisfied that a student on the award has undertaken equivalent study, of an appropriate standard, normally at another institution of higher education, or has appropriate work experience to an equivalent standard, the committee may permit the candidate to be exempted from the submission of a written assignment in respect of up to three modules. In exercising this discretion the Standing Committee shall take into consideration the length of time that has elapsed since the study or work experience was undertaken.

~~9.~~ 8. The Standing Committee may deem satisfactory completion of a module (including the associated assessment) prior to registration for the award as having met the examination requirements in respect of that module. Such discretion will normally only be exercised if the time elapsed between commencement of the accredited module concerned and registration for the award is not more than two years. The maximum number of modules taken prior to registration for the award that may count in this way shall be three.

Schedule

Practice of Evidence-Based Health Care

Quality improvement science and systems analysis*
Leadership and Management in Health Care
Becoming a Clinical Educator*
Human factors, teamwork and communication*
Healthcare Innovation and Technology
Any other module as defined by the Course Director and approved by the Standing Committee.

* Also available to students registered for the PG Diploma in Health Research

Explanatory Notes