

TT 2024
MSc THS (part
time)

Continuing Education Strategic Management Board and Medical Sciences Division

Approved by MSD 07.06.24 CESMB 13.06.24

Title of programme

Master of Science by Coursework in Translational Health Sciences (part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: Addition of option module and minor routine changes

Location of change in Examination Regulations

<https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=mosbcitranshealscie-pt>

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2024 and available to existing students

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For first examination from MT 2024

Detail of Change Text to be deleted struck through, new text underlined

Translational Health Sciences Programme (Part-time)

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 shall consist of instruction in the theory and practice of Translational Health Sciences

3. The policy of the Continuing Education Strategic Management Board on variable intensity part time study shall apply to this award.
4. The minimum period of registration shall be four terms. The maximum period of registration shall be twelve terms.
5. A candidate may transfer from full-time to part-time status with the approval of the Standing Committee. Candidates will not normally be permitted to transfer from part-time to full-time status.
6. The following awards shall be available within the Programme:
 - i. MSc in Translational Health Sciences
 - ii. Postgraduate Diploma in Translational Health Sciences
 - iii. Postgraduate Certificate in Translational Health Sciences
7. Candidates who have satisfied the requirements for the award of the Postgraduate Certificate or the Postgraduate Diploma and who do not wish to continue their studies may end their registration at that point and be awarded the Postgraduate Certificate or Postgraduate Diploma as the case may be. The awards of Postgraduate Diploma and Postgraduate Certificate are only available to those students registered for the MSc.
8. Every candidate for an award will be required to satisfy the examiners in the following:
 - i. *MSc in Translational Health Sciences*
 - (a) The module listed under Schedule A and five of the modules listed under Schedule B. For each of the modules, candidates will be required to submit a written assignment of not more than 4,000 words and participate in a group presentation of twenty minutes.
 - (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 which will be by the end of the ninth term, notwithstanding the maximum permitted period of registration.
 - ii. *Postgraduate Diploma in Translational Health Sciences*

The module listed under Schedule A and five of the modules listed under Schedule B. For each of the modules, candidates will be required to submit a written assignment of not more than 4,000 words and participate in a group presentation of twenty minutes.
 - iii. *Postgraduate Certificate in Translational Health Sciences*

The module listed under Schedule A and two of the modules listed under Schedule B. For each of the modules, candidates will be required to submit a written assignment of not more than 4,000 words and participate in a group presentation of twenty minutes.

The assignments set out in clause 8 shall be submitted via the University approved online assessment platform by the dates specified in the handbook provided at the beginning of the course. Presentations shall be delivered at such times and locations as are provided in the course handbook.

The dissertation under 8 i. (b) shall be submitted, format to be prescribed in the course handbook, to the University approved online assessment platform by such date as the examiners shall determine and shall notify candidates. Assignments and dissertations must be accompanied by a statement that they are the candidate's work except where otherwise indicated.

~~9. Candidates may be required to attend a viva voce examination at the end of the course of studies at the discretion of the examiners.~~

~~40~~ 9. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in any of the written assignments are 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.

~~44.~~ 10. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in the required number of group presentations are permitted a resit attempt in respect of the presentation or presentations 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 resit attempt will require submission of an individual written assignment of not more than 1,000 words. The resubmission will normally be within one year of the original failure.

~~42.~~ 11. 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.

~~43.~~ 12. The Standing Committee may deem satisfactory completion of a module (including the associated coursework and presentation) 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 A

- i. Introduction and Research Methods for Translational Health Sciences

Schedule B

- ii. Behavioural Science and Complex Interventions
- iii. Economics and Regulation in Translational Science
- iv. Ethics and Justice in Translational Science
- v. Healthcare Organisations and Policy
- vi. Patients, Citizens and the Politics of Evidence
- vii. Healthcare Evaluation and Research Impact
- viii. Technological Innovation and Digital Health
- ix. Translational Science and Global Health
- x. Sustainable Health Care

xxx. Any other module as defined by the Programme Director and approved by the Standing Committee.

Note: not all modules may be available in all years in which the course is run.