Regulations for the award of the Intercalated BSc

1 The College may accept for the BSc degree:

(a) a student who has successfully completed the first two years of the MBBS (or equivalent) degrees at another university in the United Kingdom provided there is no break in studies between the course at the other university and the beginning of the course for the BSc degree;

(b) a student who has successfully completed the pre-clinical element of the MBBS (or equivalent) degrees at a university or institution of equivalent standing in another EC or in an EFTA country provided

(i) there is no break in studies between the course at the other institution, of which a minimum of two years must have been completed, and the course for the BSc degree; and

(ii) the College is satisfied that the medical course followed prior to registration for the BSc degree is of equivalent standing in content and level of achievement to that of the comparable course offered by the School; and

(iii) the other institution has appropriate mechanisms in place to monitor the quality of its awards.

2 A student registered under the provisions of paragraph 1 above will be eligible for the award of a BSc degree under these Regulations provided that:

(a) the course of intercalated study has lasted for at least one academic year;

(b) courses valued at a minimum of five science modules from the MBBS/BSc degree programme have been completed to the satisfaction of the College;

(c) the examiners have been satisfied in courses to the value of at least five science modules from the MBBS/BSc degree programme;

(d) of the minimum number of modules required none has been designated as introductory and courses to the value of not more than two modules have related to courses with an examination based on a project(s).

3 The field of study for a student registered under paragraph 1 above who is awarded a BSc degree after an intercalated year of study will be Medical Sciences with the appropriate subject.

4 Students who complete the requirements for the award of a BSc degree and who achieve a sufficient standard will be awarded Honours for the degree. A successful student will therefore receive an award classified in one of the following ways: First Class Honours, or Second Class Honours (Upper Division), or Second Class Honours (Lower Division), or Third Class Honours.
A student may be considered for the award of an Aegrotat or classified degree under the following provisions if:

(i) through his/her illness or the death of a near relative or other cause judged sufficient by Senate, he/she has been absent from examinations.

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(ii) though present at the whole of the examination he/she considers that his/her performance has been adversely affected by any of the causes referred to in subclause (i).

(a) The student must have completed his/her course of study for the degree and have paid all sessional fees due.

(b) An application for consideration to determine eligibility for the award of a degree under the Aegrotat provisions must be made to the Academic Registrar within six weeks from the last day of the final examinations and must be accompanied by a medical certificate or other statement of the grounds on which the application is made.

(c) If a candidate has satisfied the requirements for the award of a degree as laid down in paragraph 4.4 of the Regulations for the Award of the Degrees of MBBS/BSc the examiners shall recommend the award of a degree Honours classification and shall not consider the candidate for the award of an Aegrotat degree.

(d) In the case of a student not deemed eligible to be recommended for a classified degree under paragraph (c) the Medical Studies Committee, having considered a report from the examiners on the work submitted for such examinations as he/she attended (if any), together with records of the student’s performance during the course and assessments provided by the student’s teachers, will determine whether evidence has been shown to their satisfaction that, had he/she completed the examination in normal circumstances, the student would clearly have reached a standard qualifying him/her for the award of the degree. If so, the student will be notified accordingly and asked whether he/she wishes to proceed formally with the Aegrotat degree application or to re-take the examination(s) at the next normal time.

(e) If the award of an Aegrotat degree is conferred on a student he/she will not be eligible thereafter to re-enter for the examination for the classified degree.

(f) A student who re-enters for the examination for the classified degree, having previously been informed under paragraph (d) that he/she is eligible to apply for the award of an Aegrotat degree, ceases to be eligible so to apply.

(g) An Aegrotat degree will be awarded without distinction or class.

NOTE

Pass degrees are not available for Intercalated BSc students registering in and after October 2008.