

REGULATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF THE MBBS DEGREE

1. Background

- 1.1 The MBBS degree will be awarded to any student who has completed the degree programme and passed examinations and summative in-course assessments in accordance with the following regulations and with other applicable regulations.

2. Conditions of Admission

- 2.1 Before admission to the LKCMedicine MBBS degree programme, a candidate must satisfy the general entrance requirements of LKCMedicine.

3. Programme of Study

- 3.1 The MBBS programme normally extends over 5 years. Students are required to complete both in-course assessments and examinations. Some in-course assessments are formative as their primary purpose is to help students learn through feedback. Other in-course assessments are summative because students must achieve a required standard in order to be eligible for academic progression.
- 3.2 The term 'summative assessments' refers to both examinations and summative in-course assessments. The term 'summative in-course assessment' refers to any assessment or collection of assessments undertaken during the academic year of study for which the student must achieve a passing standard in order to progress (either to the next stage of study or to graduation). This includes electronic portfolio (iFolio) assessments and summative project or coursework assessments.

4. Academic Progression: Entry to Examinations

- 4.1 In order to qualify for entry to the examination(s), during the course of the academic year a student will have normally:
- a. Had satisfactory attendance, in accordance with the LKCMedicine Student Leave and Attendance Regulations; and
 - b. Complied with requirements for completion of formative assessments; and
 - c. Achieved the necessary standard for any required summative in-course assessments.
- 4.2 Students who do not qualify for entry to the examinations may be required to withdraw, take an interruption of studies (IOS) or repeat the year, at the discretion of the Student

Progress Committee (SPC). This decision will require approval by the LKCMedicine Dean.

- 4.3 In exceptional circumstances, a student who does not qualify for entry to the main examination(s) may be permitted to undertake a short period of remedial study after which the student may be entered for the supplementary examination(s) for the same academic year, provided he or she has qualified to do so. This decision would be at the discretion of the SPC and would require approval of the LKCMedicine Dean.

5. Academic Progression: Examinations

- 5.1 Each year of study has one or more examinations associated with it. Compensation is not allowed between the examinations.
- 5.2 Students are required to pass the examination(s) in order to progress to the next year.
- 5.3 Students who withdraw from or do not attend an examination without approved mitigating circumstances will be judged to have attempted the examination and failed.

6. Academic Progression: Missed or Failed Examinations

- 6.1 Students are normally permitted a maximum of three attempts at any examination.
- 6.2 Students who fail the main examination(s) in any year of study will normally be permitted to take the supplementary examination(s).
- 6.3 Students who miss the main examination(s) in any year of study due to approved mitigating circumstances will normally be permitted to take the supplementary examination as their first uncapped attempt.
- 6.4 Students who fail or miss the supplementary examination(s) without approved mitigating circumstances will normally be permitted to repeat the year, at the discretion of the Board of Examiners.
- 6.5 Students who fail or miss the supplementary examination(s) with approved mitigating circumstances will normally be permitted to repeat the year or take an interruption of studies (IOS), at the discretion of the Board of Examiners.
- 6.6 Students who are given the opportunity to repeat a year will normally be required to sit and pass all elements of assessments at the next available examination. Students who fail the main or supplementary examination after repeating the year will normally be required to withdraw from the programme.
- 6.7 Students are not normally permitted to repeat more than one year of the programme.

7. Academic Progression: Graduation

- 7.1 In Year 5, there will be a two-part summative assessment; firstly, the final examinations and secondly an iFolio review assessment which follows completion of the Student Assistantship Programme (SAP), as documented below:

Part 1, held at the start of the second semester, will consist of an integrated written examination and an OSCE.

Entry criteria for the Year 5 examinations and progression rules following failed or missed examinations are the same as those applicable to examinations in Years 1 to 4.

Part 2 will consist of an iFolio review assessment.

- 7.2 Any student who fails the iFolio review assessment will not be permitted to graduate and will normally be required to undertake a period of remedial workplace learning followed by a second iFolio review assessment. A student who fails the second iFolio review assessment following their period of remedial workplace learning will not be permitted to graduate. In exceptional circumstances, the student may be permitted to repeat the year, at the discretion of the Board of Examiners.
- 7.3 On successful completion of both parts of the Year 5 assessment, students will be eligible for the award of the joint MBBS degree (subject to initial confirmation and recommendation by the Board of Examiners, followed by approval by both NTU and Imperial College London).

Approved by LKCMedicine Academic Affairs Committee, 2 August 2017