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**NOTICES****Calendar**

19 December, *Monday*. Michaelmas Term ends.

5 January, *Thursday*. Lent Term begins.

11 January, *Wednesday*. First ordinary number of the *Reporter* in the Lent Term.

17 January, *Tuesday*. Full Term begins.

21 January, *Saturday*. Congregation of the Regent House at 2 p.m.

24 January, *Tuesday*. Discussion at 2 p.m. in the Senate-House (see below). End of first quarter of Lent Term.

**Notice of a Discussion on Tuesday, 24 January 2012**

The Vice-Chancellor invites those qualified under the regulations for Discussions (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 107) to attend a Discussion in the Senate-House, on Tuesday, 24 January, at 2 p.m., for the discussion of:

1. Annual Report of the Council for the academical year 2010–11, dated 21 November 2011 (*Reporter*, 2011–12, p. 216).
2. Annual Report of the General Board to the Council for the academical year 2010–11, dated 2 November 2011 (*Reporter*, 2011–12, p. 222).
3. Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2011 (*Reporter*, 2011–12, p. 227).
4. Joint Report of the Council and the General Board, dated 28 November 2011 and 2 November 2011, on the provision of sites and buildings regulations (*Reporter*, 2011–12, p. 269).
5. Report of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine, dated 28 November 2011, on the M.D. Degree (p. 314).

**Queen's Diamond Jubilee arrangements: Notice**

5 December 2011

Tuesday, 5 June, 2012 will be a Bank Holiday to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The Spring Bank Holiday has been transferred to Monday, 4 June, 2012.

The Council gives notice of the following arrangements for these days. The University Library and the Fitzwilliam Museum will be open. The University Offices, except for the Board of Examinations and associated functions, will be closed and there will be no University Messenger Service on those days. Examinations will be held as usual.

As is the usual arrangement for Bank Holidays that fall within Term, all staff who normally work on that Tuesday will be entitled to an additional day of leave to be taken on the same basis as the other public holidays that fall within Term.

**EU Public Procurement Regulations: Notice**

5 December 2011

The Council, on the advice of the Finance Committee, has declared that the University continues to remain outside the scope of the EU Public Procurement Regulations as it is less than 50% publicly funded. The calculation is carried out annually to ensure that it remains possible to make the declaration. It is the Council's intention that the University's procurement procedures should continue to follow the good practice set out in the regulations and in the University's Financial Regulations (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 970, see also <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/offices/finance/regulations/finregs/purchasing.html>).

**University Composition Fees: Notice**

5 December 2011

**Undergraduate and related fees for 2012–13**

By Grace 1 of 23 February 2011, the University approved proposing an access agreement with the Director of the Office for Fair Access to Higher Education (OFFA) in order to permit the University to charge the higher fee of £9,000 for new Home/EU undergraduate students commencing courses in 2012–13. The access agreement was approved by the Director of OFFA in July 2011.

The Government has now announced the capped rates for continuing Home/EU undergraduate students, which are included in the attached schedule. The increases in fees in 2012–13 over 2011–12 are (rounded) 2.6% for ‘old system’ students (i.e. those few students remaining who commenced courses before 2006–07 or who started the course before 1 September 2007 having deferred entry from an earlier year) and 2.7% for ‘new system’ students (i.e. those students who commenced courses after 2006–07 but before 2012–13).

#### *Fees for ELQ students*

For Home/EU students following courses leading to a qualification which is equivalent to, or at a lower level than, a qualification they possessed when they began their course (ELQ students) the fees for continuing students who commenced a course in 2009–10 or later will be increased by the same rate as for other Home students; £9,000 will be charged to new students commencing courses in 2012–13.

#### *Fees for co-funded students*

HEFCE will not co-fund any new admissions in 2012. A continuing co-funded rate is needed for a short period.

#### *Fees for non-Cambridge Home/EU students following courses leading to the M.A.St. Degree*

The fee for non-Cambridge Home/EU students following courses leading to the M.A.St. Degree is held at the undergraduate continuation rate; this is only slightly below the current postgraduate rate. The Council proposes that the fee in due course rises to a value which is the same as the Home/EU undergraduate fee at that time, *less* the College fee at the rate those students will pay.

#### *Island fees*

Island fees are charged to Island students unless an individual’s personal circumstances mean that the regulated Home rate applies. The University has customarily adopted the Island rates recommended by UUK, in four bands above the Home/EU, but below the Overseas, rates. Island students are not fundable by HEFCE and no supplementary funding is received. The fees are not capped. No university is obliged to follow the recommendations and some do not. There are currently two sets of fees depending on when students commenced their course, mirroring the arrangements for Home students. The University does not transfer the College fee for Island students.

UUK is no longer recommending rates but forwarded on 27 October 2011 a request by the Island governments that

- (1) ‘old regime’ (i.e. continuing) students should continue to be charged fees at the current level, uprated for inflation each year. The inflation rate proposed is the All Items Retail Prices Excluding Mortgage Interest Payments (RPI-X) index as set out in the UK Student Fees (Inflation Index) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No 507). The RPI-X twelve month change to September 2011, released on 18 October, is 5.7% as at September 2011. That figure has been used in the attached Schedule to inflate the Island fee rates for continuing students.
- (2) Island students enrolling on programmes of study in 2012–13 should be charged the same fee as the charge made to English students for an identical course, with a ‘premium’, determined by HEFC(E), for Price Group A.

The proposal would lead to students in Price Group A being charged a lower fee than students admitted in earlier years. The resource attached to a Price Group B student would be less than the resource (T + Fees) for an equivalent Home student, and would also lead to a reduced fee for some other courses.

The Council recommend that for 2012–13 the University adopts the Islands’ recommendations for Bands 1 and 2 so that the fee will be £9,000 as proposed. The fee for Band 3 (Price Group B) will be £10,500, equating to the Home fee plus the provisional T grant. The Island proposal for the clinical rate (Band 1, Price Group A) is the continuing student rate, rounded up to £24,000 to maintain a differential.

For the future there would appear to be no distinction between an Island student who is not categorized as Home/EU under the Fee Support Regulations and all other students who pay the unregulated or Overseas fee rates. The Council consider that it would be unwise to introduce or maintain for longer than necessary a reduced rate of unregulated fee charged solely on the basis of a particular domicile.

The Council therefore proposes that for 2013–14 the separate category of ‘Island’ fee for newly admitted students, at both undergraduate and postgraduate level, be abolished. Transitional arrangements will continue to be made for those already admitted.

The Council is submitting a Grace (Grace 1, p. 325) for the approval of the revised fees set out in the Schedule attached to this Notice.

**SCHEDULE****Table 2A: Continuing Home/EU students**

The following rates shall apply to undergraduate student members of the University who started a relevant course before 1 September 2012 (continuing students).<sup>1</sup>

'Old System' students in 2012–13 are those who were liable for the 'continuing student' fee in 2011–12.

	Home and EU Continuing Students	
	Old System	New System
	who started a relevant course before <b>1 September 2006</b> or who started the course before <b>1 September 2007</b> having deferred entry from an earlier year	who started a relevant course on or after <b>1 September 2006</b> and before <b>1 September 2012</b> , except those to whom the old system fee applies
<i>Continuing students:</i>	Annual fee (£)	Annual fee (£)
	<b>(2012–13)</b>	<b>(2012–13)</b>
<b>B.A. Degree:</b>		
Group 1	1,380	3,465
Group 2 and 3	1,380	3,465
Group 4 and 5	1,380	3,465
Year abroad fees (Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Law, Modern and Medieval Languages, Oriental Studies)	680	1,725
<b>B.Th. Degree</b>	1,380	3,465
<b>Medical and Veterinary Degrees:</b> M.B., B.Chir. Degrees, Vet.M.B. Degree	1,380	3,465
<b>M.Eng. Degree and M.Sci. Degree</b>	1,380	3,465
<b>Mus.B. Degree</b>	1,380	3,465
Certificate in Humanities Computing for Languages	1,380	3,465

**Table 2B: Home/EU ELQ students**

The following rates shall apply to Home/EU students commencing a course in 2009–10 or later years leading to a qualification which is equivalent to, or at a lower level than, a qualification they possessed when they began their course (ELQ students).<sup>1</sup>

<i>ELQ students:</i>	Continuing students who started a relevant course before <b>1 September 2012</b>	Students who started a relevant course on or after <b>1 September 2012</b>
	Annual fee (£)	Annual fee (£)
Home and EU undergraduate other than Channel Islands and Isle of Man:	<b>(2012–13)</b>	<b>(2012–13)</b>
<b>B.A. Degree:</b>		
Group 1	7,128	9,000
Group 2 and 3 (except Architecture)	7,128	9,000
Architecture	3,465	9,000
Group 4 and 5	7,128	9,000
Year abroad fees (Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Law, Modern and Medieval Languages, Oriental Studies)	1,725	4,500
<b>B.Th. Degree</b>	7,128	9,000
<b>Medical and Veterinary Degrees:</b> M.B., B.Chir. Degrees, Vet.M.B. Degree	3,465	9,000
<b>M.Eng. Degree and M.Sci. Degree</b>	7,128	9,000
<b>Mus.B. Degree</b>	7,128	9,000
Certificate in Humanities Computing for Languages	7,128	9,000
<b>P.G.C.E.</b>	3,465	See main table

<sup>1</sup> Students who have proceeded to the B.A. Degree but have been given leave to read for another Tripos 'not for honours' are deemed to be ELQ students for the purpose of their fee liability.

**Table 2C:** *Co-funded students*

The following rates shall apply to students commencing a course in 2009–10 or later years and before 1 September 2012 which is equivalent to, or at a lower level than, a qualification they possessed when they began their course and for whom the University receives part-funding (co-funded students). There are no part-funded courses to which students will be admitted on or after 1 September 2012.

	Continuing students who started a relevant course before 1 <b>September 2012</b> Annual fee (£) <b>(2012–13)</b>
Home and EU undergraduate other than Channel Islands and Isle of Man:	
<i>Co-funded students:</i>	
<b>B.A. Degree:</b>	
Groups 1–5	3,465
Year abroad fees (Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Law, Modern and Medieval Languages, Oriental Studies)	1,725
<b>B.Th. Degree:</b>	3,465

**Table 2D: Island students**

The following rates shall apply to undergraduate student members of the University for whom the Island rate of fees applies.

	Continuing Island students		New regime Island students		Island students Who start a relevant course on or after 1 September 2013
	Who started a relevant course before 1 September 2006 or who started the course before 1 September 2007 having deferred entry from an earlier year	Other continuing students who started a relevant course before 1 September 2012	Who start a relevant course on or after 1 September 2012	Annual fee (£)	
<i>Continuing students:</i>	Annual fee (£) (2012-13)	Annual fee (£) (2012-13)	Annual fee (£) (2012-13)	Annual fee (£) (2012-13)	
<b>B.A. Degree:</b>					
Group 1	5,178	6,546	9,000	9,000	
Group 2 and 3	6,732	8,211	9,000	9,000	
Group 4 and 5	8,805	10,428	10,500	10,500	
Year abroad fees (Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Law, Modern and Medieval Languages, Oriental Studies)	2,589	3,273	4,500	4,500	
<b>B.Th. Degree</b>	5,178	6,354	9,000	9,000	
<b>Medical and Veterinary Degrees: M.B., B.Chir. Degrees, Vet.M.B. Degree</b>	20,715	23,187	24,000	24,000	
<b>M.Eng. Degree and M.Sci. Degree</b>	8,805	10,428	10,500	10,500	
<b>Mus.B. Degree</b>	6,732	7,971	9,000	9,000	
Certificate in Humanities Computing for Languages	8,805	10,428	10,500	10,500	
<b>M.A.St.</b>					
Astrophysics	n/a	10,428	10,500	10,500	
Materials Science		10,428	10,500	10,500	
Mathematics		8,211	9,000	9,000	
Physics		10,428	10,500	10,500	

Category abolished for newly  
admitted students. The applicable  
overseas rate will apply.

## Progress of Medical and Veterinary Students and review of Faculty Board decisions: Notice

5 December 2011

The Council and the General Board have received proposals from the Faculty Boards of Biology, Clinical Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine to introduce procedures to review or advise on the progress of preclinical and clinical medical and veterinary students and from the Faculty Boards of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine to introduce a procedure to review decisions by these Faculty Boards in respect of requests for additional attempts at the 2nd M.B. and Final M.B. and the 2nd Vet.M.B. and Final Vet.M.B. examinations.

In 2004 the University approved regulations to govern procedures for dealing with questions of the fitness to practise medicine of preclinical and clinical medical students (Grace 1 of 15 December 2004). The procedures were revised and similar procedures for veterinary students were introduced in 2009 (Grace 2 and 3 of 10 June 2009).

### *Medical and Veterinary Student Progress Panel*

The Faculty Boards of Biology, Clinical Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine now propose to formalize the arrangements they have in place to monitor, amongst other matters, the academic progress of preclinical and clinical medical and veterinary students. The arrangements include the establishment of a Medical and Veterinary Student Progress Panel which would be a joint body of the Faculty Boards in consultation with the Colleges. The panel would consider academic performance including failure in M.B. or Vet.M.B. examinations, ill health, and other causes for concern about a student's conduct which did not merit immediate referral to the Fitness for Medical Practice Committee or Fitness for Veterinary Practice Committee. Draft regulations are set out in Annex 1 to this Notice.

### *Review procedure*

The Faculty Boards of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine also propose to institute a review procedure of decisions by the Faculty Boards in respect of requests for additional attempts at the 2nd M.B. and Final M.B. and the 2nd Vet.M.B. and Final Vet.M.B. examinations. The review procedure has been developed following a ruling by the Office of the Independent Adjudicator. The Senior Tutors' Committee and the Faculty Board of Biology endorse the proposal. Draft amendments to the regulations for the M.B., B.Chir. and Vet.M.B. Degrees (*Statutes and Ordinances*, pp. 455 and 525) are set out in Annex 2 to this Notice.

The Council, after consultation with the General Board and the Senior Tutors' Committee, has agreed to submit Graces to the Regent House (Graces 2 and 3, p. 325) for the approval of the procedures to determine the progress of preclinical and clinical medical students and preclinical and clinical veterinary students as set out in the Annexes to this Notice.

## ANNEX 1

### PROCEDURES TO DETERMINE THE PROGRESS OF PRECLINICAL AND CLINICAL MEDICAL STUDENTS AND PRECLINICAL AND CLINICAL VETERINARY STUDENTS

#### *Introduction*

1. The Medical and Veterinary Student Progress Panel (MVSPP) shall be a joint body of the Faculty Boards of Biology, Clinical Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine in consultation with the Colleges.
2. The MVSPP shall review or advise on the progress of a student having regard to:
  - i academic performance including failure in M.B. or Vet.M.B. examinations;
  - ii ill health.

Additionally, the advice of the MVSPP may be sought as a result of:

- iii cause for concern about the student's conduct but not meriting immediate referral to the Fitness for Medical Practice Committee or Fitness for Veterinary Practice Committee.

#### THE ROLES, DUTIES, AND COMPOSITION OF THE MEDICAL AND VETERINARY STUDENT PROGRESS PANEL (MVSPP)

3. The MVSPP shall consist of:
  - (a) the Director of Medical Education in the Clinical School (who shall chair the MVSPP);
  - (b) the Director of Education (Biological Sciences) in the Faculty of Biology;
  - (c) the Director of Teaching in the Veterinary School;
  - (d) the Associate Clinical Dean, West Suffolk Hospital;
  - (e) three members appointed by the Senior Tutors' Committee;
  - (f) one member appointed by the Faculty Board of Biology;
  - (g) one member appointed by the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine;
  - (h) one member appointed by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine;
  - (i) an administrative officer appointed by the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine and an administrative officer appointed by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine (who shall act as joint secretaries to the MVSPP).
4. In respect of each individual case before the MVSPP, all members of the MVSPP shall be required to make a declaration of interest in the case.
5. Members in classes (e)–(h) shall be appointed in the Michaelmas Term to serve for three years from 1 January following their appointment.

6. The duties of the MVSPP shall include:
- (a) to meet termly, and whenever there is any business to consider, to provide expert advice to the Colleges, and to work with Colleges to ensure that students who have not achieved the required academic standard or are experiencing health or other personal problems receive appropriate support;
  - (b) to review the progression of all students annually in the Michaelmas Term;
  - (c) to review all requests made on behalf of medical and veterinary students for additional attempts in exceptional circumstances at M.B. and Vet.M.B. examinations, and to give advice to the relevant Faculty Board;
  - (d) to prepare an annual summary report on any issues arising for the attention of Senior Tutors and Faculty Boards.
7. Five members shall constitute a quorum. The MVSPP shall report to the Faculty Boards of Biology, Clinical Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine.

## ANNEX 2

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS FOR THE M.B., B.CHIR. DEGREES (New Curriculum Regulations, *Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 455)

Regulation 13(c).

By amending the proviso so as to read:

(c) subject to Regulation 28, no student shall be a candidate in any subject on more than two occasions in total.

Regulation 21(e).

By amending the proviso so as to read:

(e) subject to Regulation 28, if a candidate fails to satisfy the Examiners in either Part or in any component of Part II or Part III on one occasion subsequent to her or his first candidature for that Part or that component, he or she shall not be re-examined in that Part or that component again except by special permission of the Faculty Board in exceptional circumstances.

And by inserting a new Regulation 28 so as to read:

**28.** The Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine shall establish a procedure<sup>1</sup> for the review of decisions taken by them in respect of students who have applied exceptionally for an additional attempt at a Second M.B., or Final M.B. examination under Regulations 13 and 21(e). No person who applies for review under the procedure so established shall be entitled to apply also for review of the same matter under the procedure for determining complaints by members of the University *in statu pupillari* established under the Regulation for complaints by students.<sup>2</sup>

## APPENDIX

### REVIEW OF DECISIONS OF THE FACULTY BOARD OF CLINICAL MEDICINE UNDER REGULATION 28

1. A student, or her or his Tutor with the student's consent, may seek review of a decision in relation to that student made by the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine.
2. A request for review shall be made in writing, stating the grounds of review, and be sent to the Registry, normally within three weeks of written notification of the decision of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine (unless, in exceptional circumstances, the Registry or a deputy permits a longer period). The Registry shall communicate the request for review to the Secretary of the Faculty Board.
3. If the request includes, in the opinion of the Chair of the Faculty Board, relevant additional information not previously available, the Faculty Board will reconsider its decision at its next meeting following receipt of the request. If no such additional information is included or if, on reconsideration, the decision is reaffirmed by the Faculty Board, the procedure described in the following paragraphs shall apply.
4. The Registry or a deputy will appoint a reviewer chosen from a panel of potential reviewers maintained by the Council.
5. The reviewer will consider the request, the documentation available to the Faculty Board (less any confidential medical information), the Ordinances which apply to the Faculty Board's decision, and the Faculty Board's Notes of Guidance. He or she will obtain an opinion from the Faculty Board, seek such other information as he or she may require and, at her or his discretion, may hold a hearing (but there is no obligation to hold a hearing). The reviewer will issue an adjudication in writing as soon as possible, stating findings of fact, conclusions, and, if any, recommendations, for consideration by the Faculty Board. The reviewer shall be concerned with determining whether there is evidence of: the Faculty Board having made a decision, to the detriment of the student, which is inconsistent with the relevant Ordinances or its own Notes of Guidance; or material circumstances of which the Faculty Board was unaware and which were of such a nature as, had the Faculty Board been so aware, to have been likely to cause the Faculty Board to have reached a different decision.

<sup>1</sup> See the Appendix to these regulations.

<sup>2</sup> *Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 211.



6. The Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine shall normally accept the recommendation of the reviewer. If, exceptionally, the reviewer's recommendation is not accepted, a written explanation shall be provided to the reviewer, the student, and her or his Tutor, and shall be submitted to the Council. The Faculty Board may decide not to accept a recommendation in any instance in which: (i) the reviewer has sought to make a decision replacing that of the Faculty Board; (ii) the reviewer's recommendation is inconsistent with the relevant Ordinances; or (iii) the reviewer's recommendation is such that, were it to be accepted, it would set a precedent which would not be in the interests of the proper conduct of Faculty Board's business or in the wider interests of the University or the General Medical Council. The Council (or an officer appointed by it) should be satisfied that the Faculty Board's written explanation is consistent with one or more of these instances.

7. The conclusion of the consideration by the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine of any recommendation of a review shall be the normal final point of decision within the University. Any subsequent review would normally be by the Office of the Independent Adjudicator (OIA).

8. The reviewer may summarily dismiss an application which seems to her or him to be vexatious or frivolous.

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS FOR THE VET.M.B. DEGREE (Revised Regulations, *Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 525)

Regulation 11.

By amending the third proviso so as to read:

(iii) subject to Regulation 26, no student shall be a candidate in any subject on more than two occasions in total.

Regulation 19(c).

By amending the regulation so as to read:

(c) subject to Regulation 26, no student shall be a candidate for any Part, or for any subject, paper, or section of a Part on more than three occasions.

And by inserting a new Regulation 26 so as to read:

**26.** The Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine shall establish a procedure<sup>3</sup> for the review of decisions taken by them in respect of students who have applied exceptionally for an additional attempt at any Part of the Vet.M.B. examination under Regulations 11 or 19(c). No person who applies for review under the procedure so established shall be entitled to apply also for review of the same matter under the procedure for determining complaints by members of the University *in statu pupillari* established under the Regulation for complaints by students.<sup>4</sup>

## APPENDIX

### REVIEW OF DECISIONS OF THE FACULTY BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE UNDER REGULATION 26

1. A student, or her or his Tutor with the student's consent, may seek review of a decision in relation to that student made by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine.

2. A request for review shall be made in writing, stating the grounds of review, and be sent to the Registry, normally within three weeks of written notification of the decision of the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine (unless, in exceptional circumstances, the Registry or a deputy permits a longer period). The Registry shall communicate the request for review to the Secretary of the Faculty Board.

3. If the request includes, in the opinion of the Chair of the Faculty Board, relevant additional information not previously available, the Faculty Board will reconsider its decision at its next meeting following receipt of the request. If no such additional information is included or if, on reconsideration, the decision is reaffirmed by the Faculty Board, the procedure described in the following paragraphs shall apply.

4. The Registry or a deputy will appoint a reviewer chosen from a panel of potential reviewers maintained by the Council.

5. The reviewer will consider the request, the documentation available to the Faculty Board (less any confidential medical information), the Ordinances which apply to the Faculty Board's decision, and the Faculty Board's Notes of Guidance. He or she will obtain an opinion from the Faculty Board, seek such other information as he or she may require and, at her or his discretion, may hold a hearing (but there is no obligation to hold a hearing). The reviewer will issue an adjudication in writing as soon as possible, stating findings of fact, conclusions, and, if any, recommendations, for consideration by the Faculty Board. The reviewer shall be concerned with determining whether there is evidence of: the Faculty Board having made a decision, to the detriment of the student, which is inconsistent with the relevant Ordinances or its own Notes of Guidance; or material circumstances of which the Faculty Board was unaware and which were of such a nature as, had the Faculty Board been so aware, to have been likely to cause the Faculty Board to have reached a different decision.

<sup>3</sup> See the Appendix to these regulations.

<sup>4</sup> *Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 211.

6. The Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine shall normally accept the recommendation of the reviewer. If, exceptionally, the reviewer's recommendation is not accepted, a written explanation shall be provided to the reviewer, the student, and her or his Tutor, and shall be submitted to the Council. The Faculty Board may decide not to accept a recommendation in any instance in which: (i) the reviewer has sought to make a decision replacing that of the Faculty Board; (ii) the reviewer's recommendation is inconsistent with the relevant Ordinances; or (iii) the reviewer's recommendation is such that, were it to be accepted, it would set a precedent which would not be in the interests of the proper conduct of the Faculty Board's business or in the wider interests of the University or the Royal College of Veterinary Medicine. The Council (or an officer appointed by it) should be satisfied that the Faculty Board's written explanation is consistent with one or more of these instances.

7. The conclusion of the consideration by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine of any recommendation of a review shall be the normal final point of decision within the University. Any subsequent review would normally be by the Office of the Independent Adjudicator (OIA).

8. The reviewer may summarily dismiss an application which seems to her or him to be vexatious or frivolous.

## VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

### Vacancies in the University

A full list of current vacancies can be found at <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/offices/hr/jobs/>.

**University Lecturer/University Senior Lecturer in Clinical Pathology in the Department of Veterinary Medicine;** salary: £36,862–£46,696 a year for a Lecturer and £49,539–£52,556 for a Senior Lecturer; closing date: 13 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.vet.cam.ac.uk/news/>; quote reference: PN10652

**University Lecturer in the Institute of Astronomy;** salary: £36,862–£46,696 a year; closing date: 4 p.m. on 9 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.ast.cam.ac.uk/sites/default/files/FurtherParticulars-UL.pdf>; quote reference: LG09962

*The University values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity.*

*The University has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to live and work in the UK.*

Any job application submitted with a *curriculum vitae* should be accompanied by a Cover Sheet for Employment (form CHRIS/6) which can be downloaded from <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/offices/hr/forms/chris/>, or may be obtained in hard copy from the advertising Department or Faculty.

## AWARDS, ETC.

### Disbursements from the Smuts Memorial Fund: Notice

The Board of Managers of the Smuts Fund beg leave to report to the University in accordance with Regulation 6 for the Fund (*Statutes and Ordinances*, pp. 913–14), that in addition to funding the Smuts Professorship Fund (not detailed here) they have made disbursements from the Fund in the financial year 2010–11 as follows:

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(a) Smuts Postdoctoral Research Fellows in South Asian and African Studies, Royal Commonwealth Society Librarian	105,403.48
(b) Smuts Visiting Fellows: Research costs and expenses	62,372.76
(c) 2010–11 Commonwealth Lectures	0.00
(d) Studentships:	
ORS Equivalent awards in 2010–11	
Malaysian Bursaries in 2010–11	
CISS Shared Studentships (new for 2009 x per annum @ 50:50)	53,842.00
(e) Grants to libraries	10,000.00
(f) Grants for travel and research to individuals	19,847.00
(g) Grants to Departments and for other projects	4,398.00
(h) Contribution towards administrative assistance	9,901.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>265,764.24</b>

### David Crighton Fellowships: Notice

The David Crighton Fund was set up in memory of the late Professor David Crighton, FRS, to provide support for young scholars in his research field, i.e. the subfield of applied mathematics concerned with fluid mechanics, acoustics, waves, and vibration. The managers of the Fund are accordingly offering up to four David Crighton Fellowships for research students and postdoctoral fellows in these areas to undertake a visit for two to three months' study and research either in

Cambridge, if they are currently based outside Cambridge, or elsewhere, if they are currently based in Cambridge. The award is to be used to cover actual travel and subsistence expenses; the maximum amount of any one award is currently £2,800. The period of study should begin in the calendar year 2012.

Applications are invited from suitable candidates, who should normally be in the second half of their Ph.D. research or have no more than three years' postdoctoral experience. It is expected that candidates will normally come from a Department of (Applied) Mathematics, Engineering, or Physics. Applications should be sent to the Secretary to the Head of Department, Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, Centre for Mathematical Sciences, University of Cambridge, Wilberforce Road, Cambridge, CB3 0WA (email [hod-sec@damp.cam.ac.uk](mailto:hod-sec@damp.cam.ac.uk), fax 01223 760497). Applications via email are preferred.

The application should include a brief *curriculum vitae*, a one-page description of the candidate's research topic, a statement of the benefit that can be expected from the proposed period of study, a letter from the proposed senior host stating that he or she agrees to accept the candidate to study with them between specified dates, countersigned by the host's Head of Department, and a detailed statement of expected travel and subsistence expenses. Applications must also include the names, addresses, telephone/fax numbers, and email addresses of two academic referees. Applicants should ask their referees to send letters of recommendation, to include details of their assessment of the applicant's suitability for a David Crighton Fellowship, including the benefits they are likely to gain from their visit. The letters of recommendation should be sent directly to the Head of Department's secretary as above.

Applications and references should be received by the Head of Department's Secretary by 20 January 2012.

## EVENTS, COURSES, ETC.

### Careers Lecture

Gordon Chesterman, Director of the Careers Service, will be presenting a talk and discussion on the subject of *Career trajectories for Cambridge researchers – how competitive are Cambridge students and postdoctoral research staff in an uncertain employment market?*, in Mill Lane Lecture Room 9, at 2.15 p.m. on Wednesday, 14 December 2011. Those wishing to attend should contact Maggie Hart (email [mh292@cam.ac.uk](mailto:mh292@cam.ac.uk)).

## REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS

The General Board give notice that, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board or other authority concerned, the regulations for certain University examinations have been amended as follows:

### Theological and Religious Studies Tripos

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATION

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 407)

The Faculty Board of Divinity give notice that **with effect from 1 October 2012** the title of Paper D1(b) will be 'New Testament special subject'.

## REPORTS

### Report of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine on the M.D. Degree

The FACULTY BOARD OF CLINICAL MEDICINE beg leave to report to the University as follows:

1. The M.D. Degree (Doctor of Medicine) is one of the oldest degrees of the University and takes a senior place among the higher doctorates. The M.D. Degree is, however, unusual among the higher doctorates in retaining two distinct routes to the degree: *either* the submission of a collection of research papers, which typically involves the submission of a substantial body of work, often representing an entire academic career, *or* the submission of a dissertation composed specially for the purpose. The work submitted for examination for the M.D. Degree for the 'dissertation' route is considerably less substantial, being comparable in volume and content to those submitted for postgraduate primary degrees of the University. However, the M.D. Degree attained by the 'dissertation' route retains the status of a higher doctorate because the regulations require candidates to be graduates of this University.

2. The impetus to reform the M.D. Degree arises from two developments:

2.1. The first is the recognition by the Faculty of the growing recognition of the M.D. Degree, as it is understood in the UK, as a key element in the academic training of clinicians. The M.D. Degree is offered by a number of UK universities, but in almost all cases it is viewed as a primary degree (in most cases the candidates have registered student status) and the only route offered is by dissertation. Only Cambridge and Oxford maintain two different routes to the M.D. Degree, which therefore introduces some uncertainty about the level of achievement represented by the degree.

2.2. Applications and enquiries for the Cambridge M.D. reflect a wider trend across the UK over the past ten years. The number of candidates by the 'dissertation' route has varied between 7 and 24 a year, with a sharp increase in the past two years so that there are currently 67 candidates registered for this route. In contrast, applications for the 'publication' route to the M.D. Degree have dwindled to a small minority (only three such degrees have been awarded since 1998).

2.3. There is a strong and growing demand for the M.D. Degree by dissertation among clinicians who are undertaking their clinical academic training in the University and its associated partner institutions, including a large number who are not graduates of this University. Under the current regulations for the M.D., these non-Cambridge clinicians are not eligible to apply for the M.D. Degree. While such candidates could apply to register for an M.Phil. or Ph.D., the M.D. Degree is now widely understood in the UK as carrying specific relevance in the research career of clinicians and is therefore strongly preferred.

2.4. The Faculty of Clinical Medicine are actively developing their clinical academic training programme and therefore strongly recommend that the eligibility for the M.D. Degree by dissertation should be extended to clinicians who do not already hold a degree of this University but who are employed in Cambridge in a post approved for the purpose by the Faculty Board. Such an arrangement has already been established for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (Vet.M.D. Degree), for which suitably qualified employees of the Veterinary School may become candidates regardless of the university from which they have obtained their first degree. In the case of the M.D. Degree, the Faculty Board recommend that eligibility be limited to employees of Cambridge University Health Partners (CUHP)<sup>1</sup> in the first instance; these candidates are resident in or near Cambridge, and would be carrying out their research projects in the University or in a member institution of the CUHP.

2.5. The second impetus for reform has come from the General Board's review of teaching and learning in the School of Clinical Medicine (2008). Among the recommendations of this review, emphasis was placed on bringing the governance of the degree into line with that of other research degrees of the University. The M.D. Degree is unique among the higher doctorates in being overseen entirely by its own Committee (the 'M.D. Committee') without reference either to the Degree Committee for the Faculty or the Board of Graduate Studies. In these circumstances, it is difficult to maintain comparability in the standard of work required for the various research degrees offered by the Faculty, or to demonstrate evenness of quality of provision. The Faculty Board agree that the Degree Committee for the Faculty and the Board of Graduate Studies should become the deciding authorities on the award of the degrees. The M.D. Committee would provide advice of a specialist nature to the Degree Committee on the admission, supervision, and progress of candidates, and the appointment of examiners, and would continue to adjudicate on the award of prizes.

2.6. The General Board review also recommended that the arrangements for oversight of the work of candidates for the M.D. by dissertation should be reviewed. These candidates are not currently registered as students; indeed, they need not be resident in Cambridge and, although a person in their local institution is appointed informally to oversee their work, their research is not formally supervised or monitored by the University. Following extensive consultation with the M.D. Committee, the Faculty Board propose that the 'dissertation' route should be established as a *primary* degree of the University, for which candidates would be admitted as registered Graduate Students by the Board of Graduate Studies to undertake supervised research in Cambridge.

2.7. The Degree Committee and Board of Graduate Studies would become the responsible authorities for the supervision and examination of candidates for the M.D. by dissertation, and the degree would become more directly comparable to the Ph.D. Degree.

2.8. Student candidates for the M.D. would normally conduct their research part-time alongside their continuing clinical commitments within the CUHP. The minimum requirement for the degree would be the equivalent of two years' full-time research in Cambridge. A fee for the course comparable to that for the Ph.D. (at the staff rate) would be appropriate. Candidates would all be, or would become, matriculated members of Colleges. As mature professionals already based in or near Cambridge, it is expected that they would not require College accommodation, and would make minimal demands on College resources. The Graduate Tutors' Committee has indicated support for the establishment of this student route to the M.D. Degree and a number of Colleges have expressed an interest in admitting such students.

2.9. The establishment of a primary degree route to the M.D. Degree would therefore address both the matter of extending eligibility to non-Cambridge graduates employed in the CUHP and would assure the quality of provision and examination through the normal routes for graduate students.

2.10. The General Board review also asked whether, and under what circumstances, it might be appropriate to continue the practice of allowing medically-qualified Cambridge graduates to work towards the degree away from Cambridge, without close supervisory oversight. The Faculty Board view this arrangement as being comparable to that for which Special Regulations exist to allow a Cambridge graduate to submit work for the Ph.D. Degree without undertaking a further course of directed research in Cambridge. It is therefore proposed that Special Regulations be established for the M.D. Degree for this category of candidates.

#### *Proposal for two separate degrees*

3. Having consulted the M.D. Committee, the Faculty Board conclude that the changes set out above would differentiate the 'publication' and 'dissertation' routes to the extent that the two should no longer lead to the same degree, but should be recognized as two separate degrees, reflecting different levels of achievement and fulfilling different purposes.

3.1. Because of the recognition the M.D. Degree has now achieved in the UK, as a research degree taken by clinicians in mid-career at a level comparable to the Ph.D., the Faculty Board propose that

(a) the *primary degree* should retain the title 'Doctor of Medicine' (M.D.) in recognition of the place the M.D. Degree occupies in the academic training of clinicians in the UK; this degree would be examined by dissertation, and would be comparable to the Ph.D. in status and academical dress;

(b) the *higher doctorate* should be renamed 'Doctor of Medical Science' (Med.Sc.D.), denoting comparability to the Sc.D. as a higher doctorate; the Med.Sc.D. should retain the seniority and academical dress appropriate to the historic M.D. Degree.

3.2. Proposed regulations for the M.D. Degree (primary degree); Special Regulations for the M.D. Degree; and the

<sup>1</sup> Cambridge University Health Partners comprise the University of Cambridge, Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust, and Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

regulations for the Med.Sc.D. (higher doctorate) are set out in the Appendices to this Report as follows:

#### Appendices

1. DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (M.D.)
2. DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (M.D.): SPECIAL REGULATIONS
3. DOCTOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE (MED.SC.D)

3.3. Subject to the approval of the proposals above, amendments will also be required to the General Regulations for admission as a Graduate Student (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 415), the regulations for review of the results of examinations for postgraduate qualifications (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 419), and the regulations for the review of the results of examinations for the degrees of Doctor of Medicine and Master of Surgery (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 468).

4. The Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine accordingly recommend:

I. That, with effect from 1 March 2012, the regulations for the degree of Doctor of Medicine (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 465) be replaced by regulations and special regulations for the degree as set out in Appendices 1 and 2 attached to this Report.

II. That, with effect from 1 March 2012, regulations for the degree of Doctor of Medical Science as set out in Appendix 3 attached to this Report be approved.

III. That, with effect from 1 March 2014, Schedule L (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 93) be amended (a) to redesignate the degree of Doctor of Medicine as a primary degree of the University and (b) to insert the degree of Doctor of Medical Science in the list of degrees which are not primary degrees of the University.

IV. That, with effect from 1 March 2012, the regulations for University Composition Fees (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 158) be amended as follows:

Regulation 1.

By relettering sub-paragraph (b) as (c) and inserting a new sub-paragraph (b) so as to read:

(b) Students undertaking research leading to the M.D. Degree shall pay a fee for the course.

#### TABLE OF FEES

By inserting in Table 1B after the entry for the M.B.A. Degree an entry for the M.D. Degree so as to read:

M.D. Degree (fee for the course)	(£) 3,732
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V. That, with effect from 1 March 2012, the General Regulations for admission as a Graduate Student (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 415), the regulations for review of the results of examinations for postgraduate qualifications (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 419), and the regulations for the review of the results of examinations for the degrees of Doctor of Medicine and Master of Surgery (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 468) be amended as follows:

#### A. General Regulations for admission as a Graduate Student

Regulation 5.

By inserting in line 2 of 5(b) and 5(g) before the words 'the Ph.D. Degree' the words 'the M.D. Degree, or' Regulation 10(c).

By inserting in line 2 before the words 'or Eng.D. Degree' the words 'or M.D.'.

Regulation 11(b)–(f).

By relettering sub-paragraphs (b)–(f) as (c)–(g), amending sub-paragraph (b) (relettered as (c)) by inserting in line 2 after the words 'or M.Sc.' the words 'or M.D.', and inserting a new sub-paragraph (b) so as to read:

(b) A Graduate Student who is registered as a candidate for the M.D. Degree shall pay the University Composition Fee as determined by Regulation 10 of the regulations for University Composition Fees for the course.

Regulation 14(b)

By replacing in line 2 of sub-paragraph (i) the words 'Regulation 11(a) or (b)' by the words 'Regulation 11(a), (b), or (c)' and amending the reference to Regulation 11(e) in lines 1 of sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) to Regulation 11(f).

*B. Schedule to the regulations for review of the results of examinations for postgraduate qualifications*

By inserting the M.D. Degree in the Schedule before the Vet.M.D. Degree.

*C. Regulations for the review of the results of examinations for the degrees of Doctor of Medicine and Master of Surgery*

By retitling these regulations as ‘Review of the results of examinations for the degree of Master of Surgery’ and deleting in the regulations references to the M.D. Committee, the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and the Assessor to the Regius Professor of Physic.

VI. That, with effect from 1 March 2014, the regulations for admission to degrees, the regulations for order of seniority of graduates, and the regulations for academical dress (*Statutes and Ordinances*, pp. 180, 186, and 187) be amended as follows:

*A. Presentation and admission of candidates for degrees*

*Regulation 9.*

By replacing in 9(c) the reference to M.D. by Med.Sc.D. and amending Regulation 9(f) so as to read:

(f) Candidates for the degrees of M.D. and Vet.M.D. shall be presented by the Chairman of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, or by a Doctor of Medicine, Science, or Veterinary Medicine deputed by the Chairman.

*B. Forms of presentation for degrees*

By amending the heading of the paragraph relating to Doctor’s Degrees so as to read:

*For the degree of Doctor of, Education, Engineering, Law, Letters, Medical Science, Medicine, Music, Philosophy, Science, Veterinary Medicine*

*C. The Schedule appended to the regulations for forms of presentation for degrees and forms of admission to degrees*

By adding to the third group of degrees the following entry:

For the Med.Sc.D. Degree                      Doctoris in Scientiis Medicinis

*D. The regulations for the order of seniority of graduates*

By appending a footnote to the entry for Doctors of Medicine so as to read ‘persons who proceeded to this degree before 1 March 2014’, inserting in the list after this entry ‘Doctors of Medical Science’, and inserting in the list after the entry for Bachelors of Divinity ‘Doctors of Medicine’ with a footnote appended to read ‘persons who proceeded to this degree after 1 March 2014’.

*E. The regulations for academical dress*

*Black Gowns*

By amending the reference to M.D. to read Med.Sc.D. and inserting, after the entry relating to the B.D. Degree, the following entry:

M.D.: the Ph.D. gown;

*Hoods*

By inserting in line 1 before ‘Vet.M.D.’ ‘M.D.’, and by inserting, after the entry relating to the B.D. Degree, the following entry:

M.D.: the Ph.D. hood but with a part lining of mid-cherry silk four inches (10 cm) deep;

*Festal Gowns*

By amending the reference to M.D. to read Med.Sc.D. and inserting, after the entry relating to the Mus.D. Degree, the following entry:

M.D.: the Ph.D. festal gown;

*Dress at Graduation*

By inserting in line 1 before ‘Vet.M.D.’ ‘M.D.’,

28 November 2011	PATRICK SISSONS ( <i>Chairman</i> )	FIONA J. GILBERT	STEPHEN O'RAHILLY
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	T. ADRIAN CARPENTER	PETER B. JONES	J. SILVERMAN
	V. PETER COLLINS	JOHN LATIMER	KEN SMITH
	DAVID B. DUNGER	J. P. LUZIO	J. TODD
	JOHN D. FIRTH	GILLIAN MURPHY	DIANA F. WOOD

The Council and the General Board support the recommendations in this Report.

5 December 2011 L. K. BORYSIEWICZ, *Vice-Chancellor*

## APPENDIX 1

### DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

1. In order to qualify for the degree of Doctor of Medicine a candidate shall be required to give proof, in accordance with the provisions of these regulations, of a significant original contribution in the science, art, or history of medicine.

2. Any person may apply in accordance with Regulation 6 of these regulations to become a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medicine who

*either* (a) holds a primary degree of the University,

*or* (b) has been admitted

(i) to some office in the University or to a Headship or a Fellowship of a College, and

(ii) to the degree of Master of Arts under Statute B, III, 6 or to a degree of the University by incorporation,

*or* (c) holds a medical appointment approved from time to time by the Faculty Board for Clinical Medicine for the purpose,

**and also** holds

*either* a medical degree giving entitlement to provisional or full registration with the General Medical Council,

*or* a degree recognized by that Council for the purpose of full registration,

*or* a medical degree approved by the M.D. Committee for the purpose of candidature.

No person whose candidature has been approved under Regulation 6 shall submit a dissertation or any other work until four years have elapsed since he or she was admitted

*either* to the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery,

*or* to the degree of Bachelor of Surgery under Regulation 5 of the special regulations for the conferment of the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery,

*or* to a medical degree of another university as defined above.

3. There shall be an M.D. Committee which shall consist of:

(a) the Regius Professor of Physic or a deputy appointed by the Regius Professor;

(b) the Assessor to the Regius Professor of Physic, appointed in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 4;

(c) eight members of the Faculty of Clinical Medicine;

(d) not more than six persons co-opted by the Committee.

Members in class (c) shall be appointed annually by the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine in the Michaelmas Term to serve for one year from 1 January following their appointment. Members in class (d) shall serve until the end of the calendar year in which they are co-opted. The Committee shall elect annually one of their own number as Chairman. Six members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

4. The Assessor to the Regius Professor of Physic, who must be a member of the Senate and a graduate in Medicine, shall be appointed not later than the division of the Michaelmas Term in each year by the General Board on the nomination of the Faculty Board to act for one year from 1 January following the date of appointment. The Assessor shall be Secretary of the Committee, for which duty the Faculty Board may, subject to the approval of the General Board, pay a stipend.

5. If either the Chairman of the M.D. Committee or the Assessor is prevented at any time by illness or other cause from performing any of the duties prescribed in these regulations, the General Board, on the nomination of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine, shall appoint a member of the Senate who is a graduate in Medicine to act as a deputy.

6. A person who wishes to become a candidate for the M.D. Degree shall submit an application to the M.D. Committee. The application shall specify:

- (a) the applicant's proposed subject of study or research, including a plan of the work to be undertaken and an account of the methods to be used;
- (b) the place where the work is to be undertaken;
- (c) the name of a member of the Faculty of Medicine who has agreed to act as the candidate's Supervisor for the research project specified;
- (d) the method of financing the work;
- (e) a letter of support for the application from the intended Supervisor and Head of the Department;
- (f) a fee in respect of an admissions charge as recommended by the Board of Graduate Studies for an application for admission as a Graduate Student.

The M.D. Committee shall make recommendations on the admission of the candidate to the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Clinical Medicine and the Board of Graduate Studies.

If the Degree Committee and the Board of Graduate Studies approve an applicant for admission to the programme, the applicant's name shall be entered on the Register of Graduate Students.

The Degree Committee shall determine the conditions, if any, of an applicant's registration and shall assign the term from which he or she is to be admitted.

7. A candidate whose application has been approved shall pay the University Composition Fee for the course.

8. The examination for the degree of M.D. shall consist of:

- (a) the submission of a dissertation embodying the results of the candidate's study or research, which shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of Regulations 9 and 10;
- (b) an oral examination ('the Act') on the subject of the dissertation and the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

By special permission of the Degree Committee, candidates may submit with the dissertation published work which they wish the Examiners to consider; such work may be considered by the Examiners at their discretion.

9. A candidate who has paid the relevant fee due under Regulation 7 shall submit to the Degree Committee, not earlier than the end of the second year after approval of the application under Regulation 6 and not later than six years after the date of such approval, unless given special permission by the Degree Committee to delay submission until a later date:

- (a) three copies of the dissertation, in a form recommended by the M.D. Committee and approved by the Degree Committee;
- (b) two copies of a summary of about 300 words in length;
- (c) two copies of any published work which the candidate wishes to submit under Regulation 8.

10. In submitting their dissertations, candidates shall state, generally in a preface and specifically in notes or in a bibliography, the sources from which their information is derived, the extent to which they have availed themselves of the work of others, and the portions of the dissertation which are claimed as original. They shall also be required to declare that the dissertation submitted is not substantially the same as any that they may have submitted for another degree or for a diploma or similar qualification at this or any other university. A dissertation, apart from quotations, shall be written in English. The Degree Committee shall have power to specify a maximum length for dissertations, in consultation with the M.D. Committee.

11. Each dissertation shall be referred to two Examiners, appointed by the Degree Committee on the recommendation of the M.D. Committee. Each Examiner shall make an independent report to the Degree Committee on the dissertation. If the Examiners do not agree in their recommendations or if for any other reason the Degree Committee or the Board of Graduate Studies need a further opinion or opinions on the merit of the work submitted, the Degree Committee may appoint an additional Examiner or additional Examiners, provided that not more than one additional Examiner shall be appointed without leave of the Board of Graduate Studies. Each additional Examiner so appointed shall make an independent report on the dissertation to the Degree Committee. Each Examiner shall receive a fee and shall, if appropriate, be entitled to claim travelling expenses and a subsistence allowance as specified in the Schedule.

12. The Act shall be conducted by the two Examiners appointed under Regulation 11 and chaired by the Assessor, or her or his deputy. The Examiners shall jointly examine the candidate *viva voce* on questions connected with the work submitted as well as on other medical subjects and sign a joint certificate of the result. If the Examiners do not agree in their recommendations or if for any other reason the Degree Committee or the Board need a further opinion or opinions on the merit of the work submitted, the Degree Committee may appoint an additional Examiner or additional Examiners, provided that not more than one additional Examiner shall be appointed without leave of the Board. Each additional Examiner so appointed shall make an independent report on the dissertation to the Degree Committee.



**13.** If a candidate fails to satisfy the Examiners in the oral examination, the Degree Committee may permit the candidate to be re-examined by the same Examiners. Permission so given shall be communicated to the Secretary of the Board of Graduate Studies and shall not be given on more than one occasion. Each Examiner who takes part in an examination under this regulation shall be paid an additional fee as specified in the Schedule in addition to any fees to which he or she may be entitled under Regulation 11, and may also claim travelling expenses in accordance with the provisions of that regulation.

**14.** The Board of Graduate Studies shall be the deciding authority on all recommendations for the award of the degree. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners on a candidate's dissertation and on her or his performance in the oral examination, the Degree Committee are satisfied that the candidate's work is of the requisite standard for the degree, showing evidence of significant original contribution to the advancement of the science, art, or history of medicine, a resolution of the Committee to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Board of Graduate Studies, together with the reports of the Examiners. If the Board, after receiving such communication, at a meeting at which not less than five members of the Board are present, resolve that the candidate be approved for the degree, the Secretary of the Board shall publish a notice of the candidate's approval for the award of the degree.

**15.** If, after considering the reports of the Examiners of a dissertation, the Degree Committee are of the opinion that a candidate's dissertation is not of the requisite standard for the degree, they may recommend to the Board of Graduate Studies that the candidate be permitted to submit a revised dissertation. The communication conveying such a recommendation shall contain the names of those present and voting on either side, and shall be accompanied by the reports of the Examiners. The Board may permit a candidate to submit a revised dissertation on not more than one occasion.

**16.** If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee are of the opinion that a candidate's work is not of the requisite standard for the degree (and if they do not recommend that the candidate be allowed to submit a revised dissertation) their resolution to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Board of Graduate Studies, together with the reports of the Examiners. The Secretary of the Board shall communicate this decision to the candidate.

**17.** A candidate who is not approved for the M.D. degree under Regulation 16

(a) shall be eligible to submit a dissertation which is substantially the same in candidature for the M.Sc. Degree; or

(b) providing the candidate meets the eligibility requirements, may apply to be a candidate for the M.D. degree by the Special Regulations; such application may be made on not more than one occasion, after a period of not less than five years from the date of the applicant's original examination for the Degree.

**18.** Before being admitted to the degree, a successful candidate examined by dissertation shall deposit with the Secretary of the M.D. Committee two copies of the dissertation and of the summary, both the dissertation and the summary being in a form approved by the M.D. Committee. The Secretary of the M.D. Committee shall deposit copies of the dissertation and the summary in the University Library and in the Medical Library, where they shall be available for consultation and for making copies for interlibrary loan purposes.

**19.** All the dissertations submitted by candidates under these regulations who have been approved for the M.D. Degree in each academical year shall be considered by the M.D. Committee for any Prize, Medal, or other emolument that is awarded for work done by a candidate for the degree; the Committee may be advised by the Assessor in this matter.

#### TEMPORARY REGULATION

**20.** These regulations shall apply for candidates whose registration as a candidate for the degree commences on or after <date of approval of these regulations>.

#### SCHEDULE

##### *Payments to Examiners*

To an Examiner for examining and reporting on a dissertation and for taking part in the conduct of an oral examination: £135.

To an additional Examiner not participating in an oral examination: £100.

To the Assessor: £45.

To an Examiner conducting an additional oral examination (Regulation 13): £42.

Each External Examiner shall receive in addition travelling expenses, in accordance with Regulation 12 of the regulations for the Ph.D., M.Sc., and M.Litt. Degrees.

## APPENDIX 2

## DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (M.D.): SPECIAL REGULATIONS

1. In order to qualify for the degree of Doctor of Medicine a candidate shall be required to give proof, in accordance with the provisions of these regulations, of a significant original contribution in the science, art, or history of medicine.

2. Any person may apply in accordance with Regulation 5 of these regulations to become a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medicine who

- either* (a) holds a primary degree of the University,  
*or* (b) has been admitted to  
 (i) some office in the University or to a Headship or a Fellowship of a College, *and*  
 (ii) to the degree of Master of Arts under Statute B, III, 6 or to a degree of the University by incorporation,

**and also holds**

- either* a medical degree giving entitlement to provisional or full registration with the General Medical Council,  
*or* a degree recognized by that Council for the purpose of full registration,  
*or* a medical degree approved by the M.D. Committee for the purpose of candidature.

No person whose candidature has been approved under Regulation 5 shall submit a dissertation or any other work until four years have elapsed since he or she was admitted

- either* to the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery,  
*or* to the degree of Bachelor of Surgery under Regulation 5 of the special regulations for the conferment of the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery,  
*or* to a medical degree of another university as defined above.

3. A person shall not be eligible to proceed to the M.D. Degree under these regulations if he or she has been approved for the M.D. Degree under the regulations requiring registration as a Graduate Student.

4. A graduate of the University who has been examined for the M.D. Degree under the regulations requiring registration as a Graduate Student, but has not been approved for the M.D. Degree, may become a candidate under these regulations after a period of not less than five years from the date of submitting a dissertation or a revised dissertation, as the case may be, for the M.D. Degree.

5. A person who wishes to become a candidate for the M.D. Degree under these regulations shall submit an application to the M.D. Committee. The application shall specify:

- (a) the applicant's proposed subject of study or research, including a plan of the work to be undertaken and an account of the methods to be used;  
 (b) the place where the work is to be undertaken;  
 (c) the name of a member of the Faculty in which the research is to be carried out who has agreed to advise the candidate on the research project specified;  
 (d) the method of financing the work;  
 (e) a letter of support for the application from the intended adviser and Head of her or his Department;  
 (f) an application fee as specified in the Schedule to these regulations.

6. The M.D. Committee may refer the proposal to one or more referees for their opinion before deciding to approve, reject, or suggest some modification to the applicant's proposal. A referee appointed for this purpose will receive a fee as set out in the Schedule. The Assessor shall communicate the decision of the M.D. Committee to the applicant. If the proposal is rejected, all but £500 of the application fee shall be returned to the candidate.

7. The examination for the degree of M.D. under the Special Regulations shall consist of:

- (a) the submission of a dissertation embodying the results of the candidate's study or research, which shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of Regulations 8 and 9;  
 (b) an oral examination ('the Act') on the subject of the dissertation and the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

By special permission of the M.D. Committee, candidates may submit with the dissertation published work which they wish the Examiners to consider; such work may be considered by the Examiners at their discretion.

8. A candidate shall submit to the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Clinical Medicine, not later than six years after the date of such approval under Regulation 6, unless given special permission by the Degree

Committee to delay submission until a later date:

- (a) three copies of the dissertation, in a form recommended by the M.D. Committee and approved by the Degree Committee;
- (b) two copies of a summary of about 300 words in length;
- (c) two copies of any published work which the candidate wishes to submit under Regulation 7.

9. In submitting their dissertations, candidates shall state, generally in a preface and specifically in notes or in a bibliography, the sources from which their information is derived, the extent to which they have availed themselves of the work of others, and the portions of the dissertation which are claimed as original. They shall also be required to declare that the dissertation submitted is not substantially the same as any that they may have submitted for another degree or for a diploma or similar qualification at this or any other university. A dissertation, apart from quotations, shall be written in English. The Degree Committee shall have power to specify a maximum length for dissertations, in consultation with the M.D. Committee.

10. The Degree Committee shall refer each application to the M.D. Committee, who may refer it to one or more referees for their opinion and advice before deciding that the dissertation constitutes *prima facie* a qualification for the degree. A referee so appointed shall receive a fee as specified in the Schedule to these regulations. If such a person is subsequently appointed an Examiner, the fee shall form part of the fee due to her or him as an Examiner.

11. If the Degree Committee, having been advised by the M.D. Committee, decide that the work submitted does not constitute *prima facie* a qualification for the degree, and no Examiners are to be appointed, a resolution of the Committee to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Secretary of the Board of Graduate Studies, who shall communicate the decision to the candidate. In such a case all but £600 out of the fee paid by the applicant under Regulation 5 shall be returned.

12. Each dissertation judged under Regulation 10 to constitute *prima facie* a qualification for the degree shall be referred to two Examiners, appointed by the Degree Committee on the recommendation of the M.D. Committee. Each Examiner shall make an independent report to the Degree Committee on the dissertation. If the Examiners do not agree in their recommendations or if for any other reason the Degree Committee or the Board of Graduate Studies need a further opinion or opinions on the merit of the work submitted, the Degree Committee may appoint an additional Examiner or additional Examiners, provided that not more than one additional Examiner shall be appointed without leave of the Board of Graduate Studies. Each additional Examiner so appointed shall make an independent report on the dissertation to the Degree Committee. Each Examiner shall receive a fee and shall, if appropriate, be entitled to claim travelling expenses and a subsistence allowance as specified in the Schedule.

13. The Act shall be conducted by the two Examiners appointed under Regulation 12 and chaired by the Assessor, or her or his deputy. The Examiners shall jointly examine the candidate *viva voce* on questions connected with the work submitted as well as on other medical subjects and sign a joint certificate of the result. If the Examiners do not agree in their recommendations or if for any other reason the Degree Committee or the Board need a further opinion or opinions on the merit of the work submitted, the Degree Committee may appoint an additional Examiner or additional Examiners, provided that not more than one additional Examiner shall be appointed without leave of the Board. Each additional Examiner so appointed shall make an independent report on the dissertation to the Degree Committee.

14. If a candidate fails to satisfy the Examiners in the oral examination, the Degree Committee may permit the candidate to be re-examined by the same Examiners. Permission so given shall be communicated to the Secretary of the Board of Graduate Studies and shall not be given on more than one occasion. Each Examiner who takes part in an examination under this regulation shall be paid an additional fee as specified in the Schedule in addition to any fees to which he or she may be entitled under Regulation 12, and may also claim travelling expenses in accordance with the provisions of that regulation.

15. The Board of Graduate Studies shall be the deciding authority on all recommendations for the award of the degree. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners on a candidate's dissertation and on her or his performance in the oral examination, the Degree Committee are satisfied that the work submitted by the candidate and her or his performance in the Act are of the requisite standard for the degree, a resolution of the Committee to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Board of Graduate Studies, together with the reports of the Examiners. If the Board, after receiving such communication, at a meeting at which not less than five members of the Board are present, resolve that the candidate be approved for the degree, the Secretary of the Board shall publish a notice of the candidate's approval for the award of the degree.

16. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners of a dissertation, the Degree Committee are of the opinion that a candidate's dissertation is not of the requisite standard for the degree, they may recommend to

the Board of Graduate Studies that the candidate be permitted to submit a revised dissertation. The communication conveying such a recommendation shall contain the names of those present and voting on either side, and shall be accompanied by the reports of the Examiners. The Board may permit a candidate to submit a revised dissertation on not more than one occasion.

17. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee are of the opinion that a candidate's work is not of the requisite standard for the degree (and if they do not recommend that the candidate be allowed to submit a revised dissertation) their resolution to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Board of Graduate Studies, together with the reports of the Examiners. The Secretary of the Board shall communicate this decision to the candidate.

18. If a candidate's application for the degree under these regulations fails, he or she may reapply on one occasion only, after a period of not less than five years from the date of the original application.

19. A candidate whose application for the M.D. Degree under these regulations is not approved shall not be eligible to be approved for the M.Sc. Degree.

20. No candidate for the degree shall be present at the deliberations either of the Degree Committee or of the Board of Graduate Studies in respect of her or his own candidature.

21. No fee shall be payable on admission to the degree.

22. All the dissertations submitted by candidates under these regulations who have been approved for the M.D. Degree in each academical year shall be considered by the M.D. Committee for any Prize, Medal, or other emolument that is awarded for work done by a candidate for the degree; the Committee may be advised by the Assessor in this matter.

#### TEMPORARY REGULATION

23. These regulations shall apply to all candidates whose proposal is submitted as a candidate for the degree on or after <date of approval of these regulations>.

#### SCHEDULE

##### *Payments to Examiners*

To a referee whose opinion is sought on the proposal (Regulation 6) or on a dissertation (Regulation 10): £45.

To an Examiner for examining and reporting on a dissertation and for taking part in the conduct of an oral examination (Regulation 12): £135.

To an additional Examiner not participating in an oral examination (Regulation 13 or 16): £100.

To the Assessor: £45.

To an Examiner conducting an additional oral examination (Regulation 14): £42.

Each External Examiner shall receive in addition travelling expenses, in accordance with Regulation 12 of the regulations for the Ph.D., M.Sc., and M.Litt. Degrees.

*Application fee* (Regulation 5): £1,866.

#### APPENDIX 3

#### DOCTOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE (MED.SC.D.)

1. In order to qualify for the degree of Doctor of Medical Science a candidate shall be required to give proof, in accordance with the provisions of these regulations, of distinction in the science, art, or history of medicine.

2. Any person may apply in accordance with Regulation 6 of these regulations to become a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Medical Science who

*either* (a) is of not less than eight years' standing from admission to her or his first degree of the University,

*or* (b) is of not less than eight years' standing from admission to her or his first degree of some other university and has been admitted

(i) to some office in the University or to a Headship or a Fellowship of a College, *and*

(ii) to the degree of Master of Arts under Statute B, III, 6 or to a degree of the University by incorporation,

**and also holds**

*either* a medical degree giving entitlement to provisional or full registration with the General Medical Council,

*or* a degree recognized by that Council for the purpose of full registration,

*or* a medical degree approved by the M.D. Committee for the purpose of candidature.

No person whose candidature has been approved under Regulations 3–6 shall submit any work until five years have elapsed since he or she was admitted

*either* to the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery,  
*or* to the degree of Bachelor of Surgery under Regulation 5 of the special regulations for the conferment of the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery,  
*or* to a medical degree of another university as defined above.

3. A candidate for the degree by publication shall apply in writing to the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Clinical Medicine, specifying the published works on which her or his claim to the degree is based. He or she shall also submit:

- (a) a summary in not more than 500 words of the field of research covered by these works;
- (b) an application fee, as specified in the Schedule to these regulations;
- (c) a statement that the work to be submitted is not substantially the same as any work that the candidate may have submitted for a degree, diploma, or other qualification at this or any other university.

4. The Degree Committee shall refer each application to the M.D. Committee, who may refer it to one or more assessor for their opinion and advice before deciding that the published work is of outstanding quality and constitutes *prima facie* evidence of distinction through a substantial and original contribution to the advancement of the science, art, or history of medicine. An assessor so appointed shall receive a fee as specified in the Schedule to these regulations.

5. If the Degree Committee, having been advised by the M.D. Committee, decide that the works submitted do not constitute *prima facie* a qualification for the degree, a resolution of the Committee to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Secretary of the Board of Graduate Studies, who shall communicate the decision to the candidate. In such a case, £510 out of the fee paid by the candidate under Regulation 3 shall be returned.

6. A candidate whose work has been judged to constitute *prima facie* a qualification for the degree, shall submit to the Degree Committee, not later than six years after the date of such approval, unless given special permission by the Committee to delay submission until a later date, two copies of the published works on which her or his claim to the degree is based.

7. The Degree Committee shall, on the recommendation of the M.D. Committee, appoint not less than two persons to act as Referees. Each Referee shall submit an independent written report on the works specified in the candidate's application; these reports shall be treated as confidential documents. Each Referee shall receive a fee, as specified in the Schedule.

8. If after considering the reports of the Referees the Degree Committee are satisfied that the candidate's work is of the requisite standard for the degree, a resolution of the Committee to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Board of Graduate Studies together with the reports of the Referees.

9. The Board of Graduate Studies shall be the deciding authority on all recommendations for the award of the degree. If the Board of Graduate Studies after receiving such a communication resolve that the degree should be conferred, the Secretary of the Board of Graduate Studies shall publish the name of the candidate as approved for the degree of Doctor of Medical Science. Such a resolution shall not be valid unless passed with the concurrence of the votes, cast at a meeting, of five members of the Board.

10. If after considering the reports of the Referees the Degree Committee are of the opinion that the candidate's work is not of the requisite standard for the degree, a resolution of the Committee to that effect, with the names of those present and voting on either side, shall be communicated to the Board of Graduate Studies together with the reports of the Referees. The Secretary of the Board shall communicate this decision to the candidate.

11. No candidate for a degree shall be present at the deliberations of the Degree Committee, the M.D. Committee or the Board of Graduate Studies respecting her or his own case.

#### *SCHEDULE*

##### *Payments to Examiners*

To an assessor (Regulation 4): £42.

To a Referee (Regulation 7): £175.

The Board of Graduate Studies may approve the payment of reasonable expenses incurred by Referees in the execution of their duties.

*Application fee* (Regulation 3(b)): £582.

**GRACES****Graces submitted to the Regent House on 7 December 2011**

The Council submits the following Graces to the Regent House. These Graces, unless they are withdrawn or a ballot is requested in accordance with the regulations for Graces of the Regent House (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 107), will be deemed to have been approved at 4 p.m. on Friday, 16 December 2011.

1. That the Table of Fees attached to the regulations for University Composition Fees (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 160) be amended for undergraduate and related fees for 2012–13, as set out in the Council's Notice, dated 5 December 2011 (p. 305).
2. That, on the recommendation of the Faculty Boards of Biology, Clinical Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine, procedures to determine the progress of preclinical and clinical medical students and preclinical and clinical veterinary students, as set out in the Council's Notice, dated 5 December 2011 (p. 310), be approved.
3. That, on the recommendation of the Faculty Boards of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, the regulations for the M.B., B.Chir. Degrees (New Curriculum Regulations, *Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 455) and the Vet.M.B. Degree (Revised Regulations, *Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 525) be amended as set out in the Annexes to the Council's Notice, dated 5 December 2011 (pp. 310–11).

J. W. NICHOLLS, *Registrar*

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**COLLEGE NOTICES****Vacancies**

*Clare Hall*: Isaac Newton – Ann Johnston Research Fellowship 2012; salary: £21,652, plus meals allowance; closing date: 30 December 2011; further particulars: <http://www.clarehall.cam.ac.uk/index.php?id=1016> or email [tutorial.secretary@clarehall.cam.ac.uk](mailto:tutorial.secretary@clarehall.cam.ac.uk)

*Girton College*: Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Research Fellowship in the field of Turbomachinery Aerodynamics and Heat Transfer; salary: £27,428–£46,696 a year, plus £3,657–£4,772 a year as College Lecturer; tenure: five years; closing date: 6 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.girton.cam.ac.uk/vacancies/research/>

Research Fellowship in Architecture, Art History, Education, Human Geography, Law, Music, Philosophy (including Philosophy of Science), Politics, Psychology, Sociology, or Theology for 2012–13; tenure: three years; emolument: £18,190–£20,409 pre-Ph.D. and £19,261–£21,652 post-Ph.D.; closing date: 11 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.girton.cam.ac.uk/vacancies/research>

**EXTERNAL NOTICES****Oxford Notices**

*St Antony's College (European Studies Centre)*: Deakin Fellowship 2012–13, to support scholarship related to France; living allowances of c. £14,000; closing date: 13 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/esc/fellowships/deakin.html>

Santander Fellowship in Iberian and European Studies 2012–13; living allowances of c. £20,000; closing date: 13 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/esc/fellowships/santander.html>

**Woolf Institute, Cambridge**

Head of Capital Appeal; salary: c. £50,000 (two-year, fixed-term); a Fundraising Consultant would also be considered; closing date: 2 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.woolf.cam.ac.uk>

Development Officer; salary: £27,000–£32,000; closing date: 2 January 2012; further particulars: <http://www.woolf.cam.ac.uk>

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