College of Medical and Dental Sciences

Intercalated BMedSc Honours Degree
Population Sciences and Humanities
2019 - 2020

Degree to which programme will lead: Bachelor of Medical Science (BMedSc)

Subject title of Programmes:
- International Health
- Psychological Medicine
- Public Health and Population Science
- Health Management and Leadership
- History of Medicine

Length of programme: 1 year

Total number of credits: 120

College responsible: Medical and Dental Sciences

All these degree programmes are open to applications from medical and dental students from ANY Medical and Dental School in the European Union*

*Please note: Applicants from outside the UK will have to meet the minimum level of English Language requirement as determined by the University of Birmingham prior to taking up any offer made

DEADLINE FOR RETURN OF APPLICATIONS: 12:00 Monday 14th January 2019

Application Process

Internal candidates will be judged as follows (places within each year are limited, this process will occur for each year):

- A score based on academic performance and your answers to questions on this form will be created with academic performance and answers carrying a 50:50 weighting.
- Year 2 marks will be used to score applicants from both years 3 or 4 (allowance will be made for accepted extenuating circumstances).
- Questions 12-15 will be marked independently by 2 academics and the mean mark awarded. Each question carries a mark of 10 and these will be scaled up to give equal weighting to year marks.
- Your application will therefore be scored by adding together your year 2 mark (raw mean) and your weighted answer scores. Places will be awarded to the highest scoring students within each programme (based on first choice) and then to the next highest scoring student overall until all places are allocated.

For external candidates, a similar process will be undertaken. Given the variation in marking schemes and provision of any grades or ‘satisfactory’ outcomes in some schools, transcripts will be used to categorise students as above average, average or below average in terms of academic performance. Students falling into the above average or average bands will be considered for admission to the programme. Academic band will be considered along with marks awarded for questions 12-15 to determine the offer of a place.
APPLICATION FORM

Please complete in black ink and ensure that you complete every section

SECTION 1: YOUR DETAILS:

1. Title: ……………Forename:……………………..Surname:……………………………………
2. Current University…………………………………………………………………………………..
3. University ID No……………………………………………………………………………………
4. Current Degree Programme MBChB (or equivalent) ☐
   BDS ☐
5. Current Year of Study ☐ Year 3 ☐ Year 4
6. Student Status ☐ Home/EU ☐ International
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8. Term-Time Address:

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9. Which programme(s) do you wish to apply for? Please Note: If you wish to be considered for more than 1 programme, please indicate your first choice with a 1 and subsequent choices with 2, 3 etc.

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10. Non University of Birmingham students please attach full transcript from your current institution with this application

University of Birmingham Students, tick here to confirm you are happy for us to access your marks □
SECTION 2: Extenuating circumstances or case for consideration

Please use this section to:
- Tell us about any extenuating circumstances which may mean your academic transcript is not an accurate reflection of ability
- Present a case for consideration if your marks fall below our usual acceptance threshold

11. Have you submitted extenuating circumstances at any point during your period of study at Medical School?
   Yes [ ] No [ ]

   If Yes, which year(s) study did this apply to?
   Year 1 [ ] Year 2 [ ] Year 3 [ ] Year 4 [ ]

   If you have experienced extenuating circumstances, which mean that your transcript does not fully represent your academic ability please outline here the likely impact the extenuating circumstance had on your work. (Please note – we can only accept extenuating circumstance which were reported to your school at the time in considering your application)

12. If your mean mark is <60% in any given year (excepting year 1) and you are a current University of Birmingham student OR if your academic performance falls below this average in any given year and you are an external applicant please use the following space to document why your application should be considered.
SECTION 3: Application questions

Response to the questions in this section will be considered alongside your academic transcript so should be answered in full.

13. Please explain in no more than 200 words why you wish to undertake an intercalated degree in the chosen subject (relate this answer to your first choice of programme if you have expressed interest in more than one programme).

14. These programmes require students to engage in self-directed learning. With reference to a previous academic example explain why you think this will fit your learning style (200 words max).
15. Problem Solving: Please give an example (from a clinical, academic or personal setting) of a time where you were required to work to solve a problem, explaining clearly the approach you took (200 words max)

16. Thinking about the programme you have applied for (first choice) is there any other information you think we should take into consideration when reviewing your application (e.g. voluntary experience, A Levels, prizes, travel)? Explain how this increases your likelihood of success in your studies (200 words max)
SECTION 4: Other application and bursary declaration

17. Have you applied to intercalate at any other institutions? *(please note that your answer to this question does NOT influence your likelihood of being offered a place but simply helps us determine how many offers to make within each programme based on the likelihood of students accepting other offers)*

Yes □ No □

If yes, please let us know the other applications submitted below:

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18. College of Medical and Dental Sciences Intercalated Awards

A number of awards will be made to students from the College’s medicine or dentistry programmes who will be intercalating on a College administered programme. Each is worth up to £3000 (the exact varies year on year) and will be awarded following a competitive application process. **Awards are only available to University of Birmingham students. If you wish to apply for such an award please indicate your intention at the end of this section.**

Some of the awards place conditions upon the type of work that will be funded. But, from the breadth of intercalating study undertaken in the past we expect that it will not be a problem to match particular awards with study areas. We would like to point out, however, that some of the awards have the condition that they must be used to support a student working in the field of infectious diseases. Please note that this aspect of study could be encompassed by any of the intercalating programmes. If no student qualifies no award will be made.

Only those students who achieve an overall Year 2 mark of 65% or more will be eligible for consideration for an award. Decisions on awards will be made during semester one of your intercalated study. You therefore must be in a position to accept your place to intercalate independently of this additional funding.

Submission: If you express an interest in applying for a bursary you will be advised of the submission deadline (usually December) and you will be required to submit the following: (1) A statement of no more than 200 words outlining why you wish to intercalate and how you perceive that this will benefit your future career; (2) A research proposal (no more than 500 words).

Decisions: Awards will be made by a committee comprising representatives of all three intercalating programmes who will consider both academic merit (Year 2 mark) together with the quality of the application (see points 1 and 2, above). It is expected that once an academic threshold has been reached, the decision will rest primarily on the excellence of the written submission.
Conditions of an award: (1) All students must inform the admissions tutor for their programme if they are in receipt of funds to support their intercalation from any other source. It is not expected that a School of Medicine Intercalated Award will be made to anyone who is in receipt of such funds; (2) The money will be paid in equal monthly amounts over a 10 month period during the academic year; and (3) Upon completion of the intercalating programme, a one-page summary of the achievements and benefits gained from the programme is required. This must also acknowledge receipt of the award. The award should be acknowledged in any publication resulting as a result of the intercalation.

The College meets the direct costs of research projects on the programmes up to a limit set each year, usually £500, for UK based research and £1100 for international research.

☐ I wish to be considered for an Intercalated Award and agree to provide the information required in Section 17 (above) when requested to do so by the College (Open to UoB Home Students only)

☐ I do not wish to be considered for an Intercalated Award

Please send in your application form to

poshgeneraladmin@contacts.bham.ac.uk