

General and Special Ordinances for Degrees

GENERAL ORDINANCES

1. The Degrees (except Ex Officio and Honorary Degrees), Diplomas, Certificates, Scholarships and Prizes of the University shall be awarded in pursuance of a resolution of the Senate.

2. The Degrees of the University shall be:

Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Bachelor of Arts in Law (BA(Law))
Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)
Bachelor of Engineering (BEng)
Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
Bachelor of Medical Science (BMedSci)
Bachelor of Medical Science (Orthoptics) (BMedSci(Orthoptics))
Bachelor of Medical Science (Speech) (BMedSci (Speech))
Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MB,ChB)
Bachelor of Music (BMus)
Bachelor of Science (BSc)
Bachelor of Technical Science (BScTech)
Master of Architectural Studies (MArchStudies)
Master of Architecture (MArch)
Master of Arts (MA)
Master of Biological Science (MBiolSci)
Master of Biomedical Science (MBiomedSci)
Master of Business Administration (MBA)
Master of Chemistry (MChem)
Master of Clinical Dentistry (MClinDent)
Master of Computing (MComp)
Master of Dental Public Health (MDPH)
Master of Education (MEd)
Master of Engineering (MEng)
Master of Environmental Science (MEnvSci)
Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA)
Master of Laws (LLM)
Master of Mathematics (MMath)
Master of Medical Science (MMedSci)
Master of Metallurgy (MMet)
Master of Midwifery (MMid)
Master of Music (MMus)
Master of Philosophy (MPhil)
Master of Physics (MPhys)
Master of Planning (MPlan)
Master of Public Administration (MPA)
Master of Public Health (MPH)
Master of Research (MRes)
Master of Science (MSc)
Master of Science (Research) (MSc(Res))
Master of Science in Engineering (MSc(Eng))
Master of Teaching and Learning (MTL)
Master of Technical Science (MScTech)
Doctor of Business Administration (DBA)
Doctor of Clinical Psychology (DClinPsy)
Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDSc)
Doctor of Education (EdD)
Doctor of Educational and Child Psychology (DEdCPsy)

Doctor of Educational Psychology (DEdPsy)

Doctor of Engineering (DEng)

Doctor of Engineering (EngD)

Doctor of Laws (LLD)

Doctor of Letters (LittD)

Doctor of Medical Science (DMedSci)

Doctor of Medicine (MD)

Doctor of Metallurgy (DMet)

Doctor of Music (DMus)

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Doctor of Science (DSc)

Doctor of Technical Science (DScTech)

Foundation Degree in Arts (FdA)

3. The Diplomas, Certificates and Prizes shall be those for which provision is made in Regulations.

4. A Degree of Bachelor may be awarded to a person who has: satisfied the requirements prescribed by the Senate for entry upon a degree course; attended thereafter in the University, or where the relevant Regulations so allow elsewhere, approved programmes of full-time study for at least three sessions or of part-time study for a period equivalent to three sessions of full-time study; passed the examinations and satisfied the other requirements prescribed for the degree; and paid the prescribed fees.

5. A Degree of Master or Doctor, or a Diploma or Certificate, may be awarded to a person who has satisfied the requirements of the Regulations governing the Degree, Diploma or Certificate and has paid the prescribed fees.

6. A Degree of Master may be awarded to a person who has been admitted as a candidate for the Degree of PhD, DBA or EdD, has completed the programme of research and presented the thesis prescribed in the Regulations for that Degree, and has paid the prescribed fees, in the circumstances prescribed in the Regulations governing that Degree.

7. For the purposes of the preceding Ordinances, the Senate may:

- (i) recognise attendance at some other University or place of learning as equivalent to attendance at this University; and
- (ii) recognise courses of study and examinations as equivalent to courses of study and examinations prescribed for degrees or other qualifications of this University.

8. The Senate may make Regulations as to the attendance, conduct and progress of students and as to the exclusion of students from further attendance at lectures, classes and/or examinations.

9. The Senate may make, after report from the Faculty concerned, or the Board of Collaborative Studies, Regulations prescribing the courses of study, examinations and other requirements for Degrees and other qualifications of the University.

10. A Degree, Diploma or Certificate may be awarded jointly by the University and one or more other

institutions ('the partner institution') under the terms of a scheme agreed between the University and the partner institution and approved by the Senate.

11. Any such scheme shall

- (a) prescribe (or establish a mechanism for prescribing)
 - (i) the nature and location of the programme of study or research to be pursued by a candidate;
 - (ii) the nature and location of the examination, ensuring that for each subject or group of subjects there shall be at least one Examiner of the University and one External Examiner who shall be independent of the University and the partner institution;
 - (iii) the procedure by which changes in the programme of study or research or in the examination are to be considered;
 - (iv) the fees to be paid and the procedure for their payment;
 - (v) the circumstances in which a candidate is required to register as a student of this University; and
 - (vi) in the case of a programme of research: the arrangements for supervision, ensuring that there shall be at least one supervisor from the University and at least one from the partner institution; the minimum period of study of the programme of research; the language of the thesis; the requirements for the Research Training Programme; and the arrangements for academic appeals; and
- (b) provide so far as this University is concerned
 - (i) that the programme of study or research and the examination shall be contained in Regulations of the Senate; and
 - (ii) that no award may be made except in pursuance of a resolution of the Senate.

12. A candidate for a joint award shall, for such periods as he or she is a registered student of this University (and whether or not also registered as a student of the partner institution), be subject to the General Regulations as to Progress of Students and the Regulations as to the Discipline of Students. The General Regulations as to Academic Appeals shall not apply to a candidate for a joint award.

13. It shall be a condition of registration as a candidate for a joint award that the candidate

- (a) agrees that the legal relationship between this University and the candidate shall be governed by the law of England; and
- (b) undertakes to use only such title or description as makes it plain that a joint award is a single award and does not comprise distinct awards made by the University and the partner institution.

14. A Degree awarded under a scheme for joint awards may, unless the scheme makes other provision, be conferred either at a congregation of members of this University held for that purpose or in accordance with the procedures of the partner institution. So far as this University is concerned, the Regulations as to

Academic Costume may make provision as to the academic costume appropriate to the Degree or other award.

Special Ordinances

1. HONORARY DEGREES

Honorary Degrees shall be conferred after approval by a Joint Committee of the Senate and the Council.

2. EX-OFFICIO DEGREES

A Degree not higher than that of Master in any Faculty may be conferred Ex Officio on a full-time or part-time member of the staff of the University, or on a former such member of staff, or on an Officer of the University, but no person shall be so admitted to a Degree who is or was of less than two years' standing as a member of staff or as an Officer; provided that in the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health such a Degree shall be conferred only where it is not a registrable qualification.

Ex Officio Degrees shall be conferred after approval by a Joint Committee of the Senate and the Council.

An Ex Officio Degree shall not qualify the holder to become a candidate for a further degree.

3. CONFERMENT OF DEGREES

Unless otherwise determined by Ordinance, all Degrees shall be conferred at a congregation of members of the University to be held for that purpose, at such time and place as the Council may determine, but at least once a year; and Degrees, other than Honorary Degrees, may be conferred upon persons in absentia on conditions approved by the Senate.