ADDITIONAL COURSE REGULATIONS: MSc PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATE STUDIES

INTRODUCTION

Course title	MSc Physician Associate Studies
Course code	*Teach out course code*
Exit awards *(if these regulations are also applicable to the exit awards, if not put N/A)*	PgDip Medical Studies (Physician Associate) PgDip Medical Studies PgCert Medical Health Studies
Module titles and codes *(if these regulations are applicable to certain modules only, if not put N/A)*	Clinical Skills and Professional Development in Practice (CSPDP) Advanced Clinical Skills and Professional Development in Practice (ACSPDP)
Date effective from	September 2018

EXIT AWARDS

1 All students will register for the MSc Physician Associate Studies.

2 A student who passes 120 credits, excluding the dissertation, but including all clinical modules and placement requirements, will be eligible for the award of PgDip in Medical Studies (Physician Associate). This award provides eligibility to take the National Assessment and practice as a Physician Associate.

3 A student who passes 120 Level 7 credits (six modules) but fails to achieve their clinical competencies will be entitled to the award of PgDip in Medical Studies. This award does not provide eligibility to take the National Assessment or practice as a Physician Associate.

4 A student who passes 60 Level 7 credits (three modules) but fails to achieve their clinical competencies will be entitled to the award of PgCert in Medical Health Studies. This award does not provide eligibility to take the National Assessment or practice as a Physician Associate.

ASSESSMENT

5 All assessments must be passed. This includes all individual elements of theoretical assessment and those involved in the assessment of practice.

6 In the Clinical Medicine in Practice modules (1, 2, 3) the single best answer exam has a pass mark of 50% and the Advanced Clinical Medicine in Practice module single best answer examination has a pass mark of 60%.

7 In the Clinical Skills and Professional Development in Practice (CSPDP) and Advanced Clinical Skills and Professional Development in Practice (ACSPDP) modules, the summative Objective Structured Clinical Exam (OSCE) is an 11-station examination (10 active stations, 1 rest station).

a) CSPDP - The pass mark for each station is 50%. To pass overall students need to pass 6/10 active stations and have a combined total score of 50% or more.
b) ACSPDP - The pass mark for each station is 60%. To pass overall students need to pass 7/10 active stations and have a combined total score of 60% or more.

REASSESSMENT

8 A student may be summatively reassessed in a practice assessment on one occasion only for each assessment of practice.

9 ..A student who fails a practice assessment after all module reassessment opportunities have been exhausted will not be allowed to repeat the module and will be required to withdraw from the programme.

PROGRESSION

10 Students will not be eligible to progress into Year 2 if they have not successfully completed all Year 1 modules.

11 All assessment of practice competencies must be successfully completed by the end of the course.

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