

WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

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OCTOBER 2015 PRIMARY, PARTS 1 & II (FINA FELLOWSHIP EXAMINATIONS

The October 2015 Fellowship Examinations of the West African College of Surgeons (WACS), in the Faculties of Anaesthesia, Dental Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Ophthalmology, Otorhinolaryngology, Radiology and Surgery, will hold from 14th to 28th October, 2015.

All candidates applying for the PRIMARY EXAMINATION ONLY should go to www.wacscoac.org and follow the procedure for online applications.

The Primary Examinations will hold on Friday 16th October, 2015 in Five Centres as follow

- College Hospital (UCH), Ibadan, Nigeria
- National Centre for Women Development (NCWD), Abuja, Nigeria
- Kor le B u Te aching H os pi tal (KBTH), Accra, Ghana
- National Orthopaedic Hospital (NOH) Main Hall, Enugu, Nigeria
- Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital, (KATH), Kumasi, Ghana

The Parts I & II Examinations will hold from 14th October 2015 (Obstetrics & Gynaecology) and 19th October 2015 (Anaesthesia, Dental Surgery, Ophthalmology, ORL, Radiology and Surgery) in Two Centres namely:

- University College Hospital (UCH) Ibadan, Nigeria
- Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital (KBTH) Accra, Ghana

REQUIREMENTS

Candidates applying to sit for the Diploma in Anaesthesia Examination must have completed the requisite in an accredited institution. Application must be submitted with APPROVED LOG BOOK / PORTFOLIO and copies of appropriate relevant documents to the College Secretariat.

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR PRIMARY EXAMINATION APPLICANTS ONLY

Candidates applying to sit the Primary Fellowship Examinations must be Medical Practitioners who are fully registered in member Countries, and have acquired at least one-year Post-registration experience Candidates MUST register and pay ONLINE by logging on to www.wacscoac.org where candidate's passport photograph, degree certificates and evidence of FULL registration with Medical & Dental Council of their countries will be uploaded. Provisional Registration Certificate is NOT Acceptable.

After successful online registration, candidates are to print the CERTIFICATION page which must be endorsed by the supervising Consultant or HOD, and submit the hard copy to the College secretariat before July 10, 2015

- Candidates applying to sit the Part I Fellowship Examinations must have passed the Primary Examination of the West African College of Surgeons or its equivalent and satisfactorily completed appropriate years of Postgraduate training as prescribed by the relevant Faculty in the institution(s) accredited for the purpose by the College. Candidates are required to submit their original Certificates of Training (COT) Form with dates of commencement and completion of training clearly stated. Altered or defaced COT will not be accepted. Submission of photocopies of logbooks duly certified by their training Consultants is compulsory. Surgeon in Training Registration evidence and Attendance Certificates of relevant update course(s) are required
- Candidates applying to sit Part I Examination in the Faculty of Radiology must indicate the specialty of interest i.e. (RADIODIAGNOSIS OR RADIOTHERAPY) as it appears on item No 6 on the application form.
- Candidates applying to sit the Part II (Final) Fellowship Examinations must have passed the Part I Fellowship Examinations of the West African College of Surgeons and satisfactorily completed appropriate years of Postgraduate training and worked in their specialty for at least Two (2) Years in Institution(s) accredited for the purpose by WACS as prescribed by the relevant Faculty. Candidates are to submit their original Certificates of Training (COT) Form with dates of commencement, completion of training and various postings/appointments, clearly stated. Altered or defaced COT will not be accepted,
- Subspecialty as it appears on item no.6 in the application form should be completed (this is applicable to Part II Dental Surgery, Radiology & Surgery).
- Candidates applying to sit Surgery Part II Examinations must submit Three (3) copies of their dissertations and 3 copies of approved Proposal separately bound in spiral bound format and a copy of their resident's log-book at the time of submission of applications for the examination. They should in addition bring their file(s) of the raw results of the dissertation with them to the venue of the Oral examination. It is the candidate's responsibility to retrieve both his/her log-book and dissertation at the end of the examination. A copy of the dissertation shall be kept by the College.
- CANDIDATES WHO WISH TO SIT APRIL 2016 PART II EXAMINATION IN O&G MUST SUBMIT CASEBOOKS AND DISSERTATIONS LATEST BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015
- Candidates applying to sit Dental Surgery must submit Two (2) copies of their logbooks while Part II Candidates for ORL and Radiology are to submit a photocopy of their Logbooks, Three(3) copies of Approved Proposal and Three(3) copies of Dissertations before the closing date of applications. Original copies of logbooks should be brought to the examination venues
- All Part II Candidates must submit an evidence of attendance of Manuscript Writing Workshop and the Health Management and Ethics Workshop.

CLOSING DATE

Further details are available in the Prospectus of the College

The closing date for the submission of completed application forms is July 10, 2015. Candidates for the Part II (Final) Examinations in Anaesthesia, Dental Surgery, Ophthalmology, ORL, Radiology and Surgery must submit their dissertations by the closing date.

NO LATE SUBMISSION.

Applications and Dissertations submitted later than July 10, 2015 would not be processed.

NOTE: Any candidate that does not meet all the requirements as at the closing date will not be allowed to sit the examinations

EXAMINATION FEES

Primary Examination - N65, 000.00 - N65, 000.00 Diploma in Anaesthesia (DA) **Part I Examination** - N90, 000.00 - N130,000.00

Part II (Final) Examination

MODE OF PAYMENT

For Candidates sitting examinations in Nigeria

All Payments for Diploma, Parts I & II should be made at any UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC (UBA), into ACCOUNT NO. 1014816816 ACCOUNT NAME "WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS". Original copy of TELLER should be attached with the application forms while candidates are advised to keep a photocopy

For Candidates from Nigeria opting to sit examinations in Accra, Ghana, payments should be made at any UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC (UBA), into ACCOUNT NO. 1014816816. ACCOUNT NAME "WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS".

THE COLLEGE SHALL BEAR NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT INTO WRONG ACCOUNTS. CASH PAYMENT OR BANKDRAFT IS UNACCEPTABLE.

Candidates must indicate their names in the Teller Column 'Paid By'. Candidates should write their Faculty and Part of the Examination on the TELLER and submit same with their Examination Application Form to the

College Secretariat either in person or by Courier Only

APPLICATION

Current application forms are available at the College Secretariat, in Yaba, in Lagos and WAPMC Liaison Office at UGMS, Korle Bu, Accra, Ghana. Application forms can also be downloaded from the College website: www.wacscoac.org.

ALL APPLICATION FORMS MUST HAVE ATTACHED "DOCUMENTS INCLUDED CONTROL FORM' WHICH COULD BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE WEBSITE ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION FORM AND RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.

DEFERMENT OF EXAMINATION AFTER SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION OR REFUND OF EXAMINATION FEES AFTER PAYMENT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE

All Application forms must be submitted with:-

- Original Bank Teller -DA/Part I/Part II
- Copies of Dissertations and approved Proposals Part II
- Relevant certificates and photocopy of Log Books (DA, Parts I &
- II) Evidence of attendance at Manuscript Writing Workshop(Part
- II) Health Management and Ethics Workshop(Part II)
- Evidence of training since passing Primary (Part I)
- Evidence of training since passing Part I (Part II)
- Evidence of registration as Surgeon in training(S.I.T) Part I candidates only
- Exemption certificate from primary(where applicable for Part I candidates)
- 3 self-addressed envelopes with *sufficient* postage stamps

Candidates should indicate their e-mail addresses and their Telephone numbers on their application forms.