WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

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OCTOBER 2016 PRIMARY, PARTS 1 & II (FINAL) FELLOWSHIP EXAMINATIONS

The **October 2016** 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 **12th to 25th October, 2016.**

All Candidates applying for Primary should log on to www. wacscoac.org and follow the step to step procedure for online applications.

The Primary Examinations will hold on Friday 14th October, 2016 in Six Centres as follows

- University College Hospital (UCH), **Ibadan, Nigeria**
- National Centre for Women Development (NCWD), **Abuja, Nigeria**
- Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital (KBTH), **Accra, Ghana**
- National Orthopaedic Hospital (NOH) Main Hall, **Enugu, Nigeria**
- Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital, (KATH), **Kumasi, Ghana**
- Connaught Hospital, Freetown, **Sierra Leone.**

ON LINE REGISTRATION FOR PRIMARY EXAMINATION APPLICANTS ONLY

The Parts I & II Examinations will hold from 12th October 2016 (Obstetrics & Gynaecology) and 17th October 2016 (Anaesthesia Diploma in Anaesthesia (DA), 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 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 the Medical & Dental Council** of their countries will be uploaded. Provisional Registration Certificate or Annual Practicing License is NOT Acceptable.
  - *As part of primary registration requirement, Candidates are to print the CERTIFICATION page from the website to be endorsed by the supervising Consultant or HOD and UPLOAD the signed Certification page along with other required documents ONLINE. NO HARD COPY DOCUMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE COLLEGE SECRETARIAT*
  - *Candidates are advised to populate appropriate fields meant for surname and other names as any inconsistency with uploaded credentials shall result in disqualification*
  - *Candidates should ensure that the same name is used when making offline payment and registration for primary Examination, any disparity between name for off line payment and the one for online registration would lead to candidates` disqualification*
  - *Relevant documents as evidence for Change of Name should be uploaded where applicable.*
- **Candidates applying to sit for the Diploma in Anaesthesia** Examination must have completed the requisite twelve months (12) training in Anaesthesia in an accredited institution. Application must be submitted with **APPROVED LOG BOOK / PORTFOLIO** and copies of relevant documents to the College Secretariat
- **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 (Spiral Bound) 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. The College shall keep a copy of the dissertation.
- *CANDIDATES WHO WISH TO SIT APRIL 2017 PART II EXAMINATION IN O&G MUST SUBMIT CASEBOOKS AND DISSERTATIONS LATEST BY FRIDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 2016*
- *ALL FIRST TIME APPLICANTS FOR PARTS I & II IN THE FACULTY OF SURGERY SHOULD SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL OF THEIR LOG BOOKS ALONG WITH THE PHOTOCOPIES OF THE LOGBOOK AND THEIR APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE EXAMINATIONS. FRESH CANDIDATES WHO SUBMIT ONLY THE PHOTOCOPIES OF THEIR LOGBOOKS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EXAMINATIONS.EACH CANDIDATE SHOULD COLLECT HIS/HER ORIGINAL LOGBOOKS FROM THE COLLEGE SECRETARIAT ONE MONTH BEFORE EXAMINATIONS AND SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE VENUE OF THE EXAMINATIONS WITH THE ORIGINAL OF THEIR LOGBOOKS.*
- 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 well organized in a spiral bound format, **Three (3)** copies of **Approved Proposal** and **Three (3)** copies of **Dissertations** before the closing date of applications. **Original copies of logbooks (DENTAL,ORL & RADIOLOGY) 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.**
- Further details are available in the Prospectus of the College

EXAMINATION FEES

1.	Primary Examination	- N65, 000.00
2.	Diploma in Anaesthesia (DA)	- N65, 000.00
3	Part I Examination	- N90, 000.00
4.	Part II (Final) Examination	- N130,000.00

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, Lagos and WACS Office at UGMS, Korle Bu, Accra, Ghana Accra. Application forms can also be downloaded from the College **website: www.wacscoac.org.**
- *CURRENT APPLICATION FORMS AND 'DOCUMENTS INCLUDED CONTROL FORM WITH OCTOBER 2016 INSCRIPTION MUST BE USED; THESE CAN DOWNLOADED FROM THE COLLEGE WEBSITE.*

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

CLOSING DATE

The closing date for the submission of completed application forms is **July 8, 2016.** 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 8, 2016 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

NB 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 in spiral bound format (DA,Parts I & II)
- All first time applicants for Parts I & II Surgery are to submit Original and photocopies logbooks
- *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 a Surgeon in training(S.I.T)- **Part I candidates only**
- Exemption Certificate from primary(where applicable for Part I candidates)
- Relevant documents for Change of Name (where applicable)
- 3 self-addressed envelopes with sufficient postage stamps(DA, Parts I & II)

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

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Secretary General