

ORDINANCE 46: Degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

1. The degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences shall be conferred with or without Honours.
2. No student will be admitted directly onto the degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences. The degree shall be conferred as an exit award from the following degree programmes:
 - Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)
 - Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB)
 - Bachelor of Nursing (BN)
 - BSc Dental Therapy
 - BSc (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography
 - BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy
 - BSc (Hons) Orthoptics
 - BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy
 - BSc (Hons) Therapeutic Radiography and Oncology
3. In the case of students on the BDS and MBChB degree programmes, the degree shall be awarded to students who have successfully completed Years 1, 2 and 3 of the relevant programme but who do not progress further on the programme, or who fail or withdraw in subsequent years. The criteria for the award of the degree, with and without Honours, shall be as specified in the relevant programme specification.
4. In the case of students on the BN and BSc (Dental Therapy, Diagnostic Radiography, Occupational Therapy, Orthoptics, Physiotherapy and Therapeutic Radiography and Oncology) degree programmes, the degree shall be awarded to students who have completed Years 1, 2 and 3 but who do not meet the professional requirements for the degree. The criteria for the award of the degree, with and without Honours, shall be specified in the relevant programme specification.
5. The Board of Examiners for each programme listed in clause 2 of this Ordinance shall be empowered to take account of extenuating circumstances affecting students' performance, in determining the classification of the Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences degree awarded to individual students, in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Practice on Assessment and the Extenuating Circumstances Policy.
6. Students who are awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences may not normally proceed to the degrees listed in clause 2 of this Ordinance.
7. Students who are awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences may not use this degree to register with the relevant statutory or regulatory body, nor use any professional title associated with the programmes listed in clause 2 of this Ordinance.

The Code of Practice on Assessment (including the Extenuating Circumstances Policy) can be found at: <https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/aqsd/academic-codes-of-practice/code-of-practice-on-assessment/>

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE TO ORDINANCE 46

1. Original amended Ordinance approved on behalf of Senate and Council October/November 2015.
2. Amendments approved on behalf of Senate and Council in June 2019 to: replace the references in clauses 2 and 4 to the 'BSc Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy' programme with 'BSc Dental Therapy', which is the programme's new title; and to replace references to 'mitigating' circumstances with 'extenuating' circumstances, in accordance with the most recent Code of Practice on Assessment terminology.
3. Minor amendment approved by the Vice-Chancellor in February 2023 to remove reference to the Radiotherapy programme as all students have now completed this programme and to include the new title of the programme, Therapeutic Radiography and Oncology.