

Faculty of Medicine



ORTO2MC Master complémentaire en chirurgie orthopédique (Master of Orthopaedic Surgery)



Programme management

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Selection Committee

The Selection Committee for candidate assistant clinician specialist doctors (MACCS, in French) is composed of the members of the teaching Committee and two guest members (E. Munting, F. Van Innis) and two coopted members (F. Houssiau, H. Nielens).

Study objectives

This complementary master's programme aims to prepare doctors to become officially recognised holders of the specific professional title of Specialist Doctor in Orthopaedic Surgery (Ministerial decree of 07.1979, published on 07.08.1979).

Admission conditions

- The applicant must hold the degree title of Doctor in Medecine or be a Doctor from a member country of the European Union authorising medical practice in Belgium.
- The applicant must be in possession of a document attesting that, at the end of the selection exams, he was retained as a specialist candidate in Orthopaedic Surgery, in a Belgian medical faculty.

The juridical context and practical procedures regarding these selection tests can be obtained from the secretary's office.

Degree holders from outside the European Union are only allowed to register on the programme in the context of procuring a university certificate for partially specialised training for the duration of two years (if they are in the process of doing a specialisation in their country of origin) or for an in-depth specialised training course for the duration of one year (if they are already recognised as specialists in their own country).

The Royal Decree of 30.05.2002, relating to the planning of the medical offer, published on 14.06.2002, applies to those candidates wishing to obtain the title of Specialist Doctor in Orthopaedic Surgery (those candidates are thus counted among the general practitioner candidates or specialists in the context of the numerus clausus).

Admission procedures

Applications for admission must be addressed to the academic supervisor.

The organisation of the entrance selection tests is arranged in accordance with the calendar and the general examination rules and regulations.

General structure of the programme

The training course includes full time apprenticeships in recognised services and teaching centres. It lasts for at least six years, full-time, including two years of foundation studies in general surgery and four years of higher specialised training in orthopaedic surgery and traumatology of the locomotor mechanism. The apprenticeship project established by the university promoter must be approved by the ministerial validation committee for the speciality. These periods of practical training include being on call.

Programme content

Parallel to the practical training, the candidate specialist will follow a university course organised as follows :

First part - Foundation studies

The two years of foundation studies consist of :

- theoretical courses : Procedures for operations and surgical techniques, including general pathology, loco-regional and general anaesthetics, resuscitation and traumatology
- seminars (including 6 hours of training in communication)
- a period of supervised hospital training organised in the services of the training centre

The theoretical sessions of the first two years form part of the specific university training programme (FUS, in French).

Second part - Higher studies

The four years of higher studies consist of :

- theoretical courses : Traumatic and non traumatic affections of the locomotor mechanisms and surgical procedures
- seminars on orthopaedic surgery and traumatology
- a period of supervised hospital training
- options in anesthesiology, physical medicine, rheumatology and microsurgery, sports medicine or expertise medicine.

Evaluation

During the training course, the evaluation will be based on the reports of the training supervisor, active participation in the course and on the assessment of knowledge organised by a jury composed of the instructors of the speciality.

Further to the application of the Royal Decree of 16 March, 1999, at the end of the first two years of training, the candidate will receive an attestation proving that he has successfully accomplished a specific university training course.

At the end of the course, among other tasks, the candidate will have to present an **original piece of work** in the domain concerned in the form of a thesis or a publication with sufficient distribution

Upon fulfilment of the above-described training requirements, the teaching committee will award the academic title in Orthopaedic Surgery.

This title does not replace official recognition by the ministerial validation committee. It attests the successful completion of an academic and scientific study programme in the context of a specialised training programme leading to this validation.