

Faculty of Medicine



OBST2MC

Master complémentaire en gynécologie obstétrique (Complementary Master of Obstetric Gynecology)



Programme management

GYPE Département de gynécologie, d'obstétrique et de pédiatrie

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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, to which are added two guest members and two co-opted members.

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 Obstetric-Gynecology (Ministerial Decree of 15.09.1979, published on 26.09.1979).

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 Obstetric-gynecology, 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 Obstetric-Gynecology (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 five years, full-time, including at least two years of foundation studies and three years of higher studies. The apprenticeship project established by the university promotor 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 (FUS)

Two years of studies consisting of :

- Theoretical courses : complements of endocrinology in obstetrics and in gynecology, pregnancies at risk and foetal medicine, diagnostic and therapeutic approaches in sterility and oncology, obstetrical echographies, andrology, pathology of the external genital organs, gynecology in adolescents, sexology, basic notions of surgery and general and loc-regional anaesthetics, gynecological oncology.
- Seminars: Seminar on obstetric gynecology
- A period of supervised hospital work : obstetrical demonstrations, gynecological and andrological demonstrations

In addition:

inter-university conferences (obstetrics - antenatal diagnoses - oncology - senology - gynecological surgery)

Second part - Higher studies

Three years of studies consisting of :

- Theoretical courses : obstetrical echographies, andrology, pathology of external genital organs, gynecology in adolescents, sexology and gynecological oncology
- Seminars: Seminar on obstetric gynecology
- A period of supervised hospital work : obstetrical demonstrations, gynecological and andrological demonstrations

In the second year, the specialist candidate will have the possibility of enrolling for a university certificate (CE) in oncological gynecology.

During the course of these three years, the candidate specialist will accomplish a period of practical work experience from 6 to 12 months in a surgical service essentially dedicated to abdominal surgery. Besides this, he may accomplish an apprenticeship in one of the specialities mentioned by the Ministerial Decree, with the approval of the selection committee and the ministerial validation committee.

Evaluation

An evaluation of the the knowledge acquired is carried out at the end of each part of the programme. In addition, the candidate will write a **thesis** and/or an article and have it published in a specialised journal.

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.

Upon fulfilment of the above-described training requirements, the teaching committee will award the academic title in Obstetric-Gynecology Medicine.

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