

FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH – MASTER OF PHARMACY SECOND YEAR ASSESSMENT LOCAL PROVISIONS 2019

1 Application

- (1) These provisions apply to Master of Pharmacy second year units of study.

2 Compulsory second year assessments

- (1) Second year students must pass each of the following compulsory elements:
 - (a) theory (written) examinations for each unit of study;
 - (b) objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE);
 - (c) attendance requirements for all units of study;
 - (d) dispensing practical examination; and
 - (e) online pharmaceutical calculations assessment.

3 Supplementary second year assessments

- (1) A student may undertake one supplementary assessment for a first semester second year unit of study provided that:
 - (a) they have not failed more than one compulsory assessment in semester one; and
 - (b) they have met the school attendance requirements.

Note: The University's requirements for special consideration are found in the [Coursework Policy 2014](#) and the [Assessment Procedures 2011](#).

- (2) Supplementary assessments will be offered to eligible students after the end of semester one.
- (3) Students who pass the supplementary assessment will receive:
 - (a) a pass grade and mark of 50 for that assessment; or
 - (b) if the assessment is worth more than (or equal to) 50% of available marks for the unit of study, a pass grade and mark of 50 for the whole unit of study.

4 Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)

- (1) The OSCE is a compulsory barrier examination consisting of three stations (patient, pharmacist and doctor).
- (2) Each of the three stations will correspond to a first semester unit of study, PHAR5721, PHAR5722 and PHAR5723 (in no particular order). To pass each unit of study, the corresponding station must be passed.

- (3) If a student fails an OSCE assessment, an independent (different) examiner will re-mark it by reviewing the audio recording of the examination.
- (4) If the independent examiner upholds the fail grade, the student will be offered remediation and a first supplementary OSCE assessment.
 - (a) This first supplementary OSCE assessment is in addition to any supplementary second year assessment provided under clause 3.
- (5) If a student fails two or more stations on their first attempt, they will be required to be re-examined at all three stations in the first supplementary OSCE.
- (6) If a student fails only one station, and the other two stations have been satisfactorily passed, they are only required to be re-examined for the one failed OSCE station corresponding to the applicable unit of study.
- (7) A student who passes the first supplementary OSCE assessment will receive a pass grade and mark of 50% of available marks for that assessment.
- (8) If a student fails the first supplementary OSCE assessment, an independent (different) examiner will re-mark it by reviewing the audio recording of the examination.
- (9) If the independent examiner upholds the fail grade, and the student has not sat a supplementary assessment under clause 3 of these provisions, the student will be offered remediation and a second supplementary OSCE assessment.
- (10) The second supplementary OSCE assessment will involve:
 - (a) all OSCE stations, if the student failed two or more stations in the first supplementary OSCE assessment; or
 - (b) one station, corresponding to the applicable unit of study, if the other two stations have been satisfactorily passed in the first supplementary OSCE assessment; and
 - (c) will count towards the available supplementary assessments provided for in clause 3 of these provisions.
- (11) A student who fails the second supplementary OSCE assessment:
 - (a) will receive a fail grade for all semester one clinical units of study (PHAR5721, PHAR5722, PHAR5723) if they fail two or more stations; or
 - (b) will receive a fail grade for the corresponding clinical unit of study if they fail only one station; and
 - (c) must repeat and satisfactorily complete all of the year two semester one units of study they have failed.
- (12) A student who is granted a supplementary assessment under clauses 3, 4, or 5 may still be eligible for an additional assessment under clause 8.

5 Dispensing Practical Examination

- (1) The criteria for demonstrating satisfactory performance in the dispensing practical examination are specified in the dispensing practical notes.
- (2) If a student fails the dispensing practical examination they will be offered a repeat dispensing practical examination.
 - (a) This repeat dispensing practical examination is in addition to any supplementary assessment provided under clause 3.
- (3) If a student fails the repeat dispensing practical examination and has not already sat a supplementary assessment under clause 3 of these provisions they will be offered a

supplementary dispensing practical examination provided for in clause 3 of these provisions.

- (4) If a student fails the supplementary dispensing practical examination, they will fail PHAR5920- Dispensing 2.

6 Online pharmaceutical calculations assessment

- (1) The online pharmaceutical calculations assessment must be successfully completed before a student can commence semester two.

7 Exemptions for students repeating a unit of study

- (1) The Program Director, Master of Pharmacy may exempt repeating students from components of units of study, provided that:
 - (a) the student previously obtained at least 65% of the available marks in the relevant component;
 - (b) the relevant component was undertaken no more than two years previously; and
 - (c) the relevant component has not significantly changed since the student undertook it.
- (2) Applications for exemption must be made in writing (which includes email) to the unit of study co-ordinator.
- (3) The unit of study co-ordinator must inform the student in writing:
 - (a) of the outcome of their application; and
 - (b) of any consequent change in the weighting of the remaining components in the unit of study.
- (4) The exemption will not become effective until the student has accepted it in writing. Until this time the student must attend all compulsory classes.
- (5) If an exemption is accepted, the exempted student is not permitted to attend classes for the component they have received the exemption for.

8 Additional assessments provision for final year coursework students

- (1) Additional assessment in a student's final year will only be permitted, with permission of the School, if:
 - (a) the student has failed only one assessment task in the entire final year of study;
 - (b) the failed assessment task must be passed to satisfy the requirements of a single unit of study; and
 - (c) the student would otherwise be entitled to graduate.
- (2) Students who do not meet the requirements of (1)(a) above, will not be permitted to undertake additional assessments and must re-enrol in, and successfully complete, the failed units of study.
- (3) The additional assessment will be in the form determined by the School. This may include one or more of the following, or other tasks as specified by the School.

- (a) Supplementary examinations.
 - (b) Additional placements.
 - (c) Tutorials.
 - (d) Lectures.
 - (e) Lab sessions.
- (4) These additional assessments will be conducted during the Replacement Exam period at the end of semester two.
- (5) Students who pass the additional assessment will receive a pass grade of 50 for the unit of study.
- (6) Students who fail the additional assessment must re-enrol in and pass the failed unit of study.

NOTES

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Rescinded documents: *Faculty of Pharmacy – Master of Pharmacy Second Year Assessment Local Provisions 2018*

Faculty of Pharmacy - Final Year Assessment Provisions 2016.

Related documents: *University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000*

University of Sydney (Student Appeals Against Academic Decisions) Rule 2006

Coursework Policy 2014

Recordkeeping Policy 2017

Recordkeeping Manual

AMENDMENT HISTORY

Provision	Amendment	Commencing
	Remove forensics examination (moved to semester 2). Minor wording changes to clarify difference between repeat and supplementary assessments. PHAR5726 to PHAR5920	
2(1)(c)	add forensics examination	31 May 2019
4(1)	add the names of the three stations in the Objective Structured Clinical Examination	31 May 2019
4(2)	delete the requirement for a student to pass every station of the Objective Structured Clinical Examination to pass the assessment	31 May 2019
4(2)	add student must pass the corresponding station for each unit of study	31 May 2019
4(4)(a)	add first supplementary Objective Structured Clinical Examination is in addition to the supplementary second year assessment	31 May 2019
4(5)	delete first supplementary Objective Structured Clinical Examination will assess three stations	31 May 2019
4(5)	add student must pass three stations only if student fails two or more stations	31 May 2019
4(6)	delete requirement for student to pass all stations in the supplementary examination to pass the assessment	31 May 2019
4(6)	add clarification that if student fails one station then they are re-examined only on that station	31 May 2019
4(9)	amend for clarification	31 May 2019
4(10)(a)	delete requirement that student is re-examined on all stations regardless of how many stations they passed	31 May 2019
4(10)(a)	add requirement that student is re-examined on all stations only if they failed two or more stations	31 May 2019
4(10)(b)	add requirement that student is re-examined on one station that corresponds to the applicable unit of study, if the other two stations have been satisfactorily passed	31 May 2019
5(2)	add first supplementary examination is offered in addition to assessments provided under clause 3	31 May 2019



5(3)	add second supplementary examination will be offered if student fails first supplementary examination	31 May 2019
5(4)	add second supplementary examination will count towards assessments provided under clause 3	31 May 2019
5(5)	add requirement if student fails second supplementary examination they must re-enrol in that subject the following year	31 May 2019
6	add forensics examination criteria	31 May 2019
9	delete clauses 3,4 or 5 and add clauses 3,4,5 or 6	12 November 2019