

BSc (Hons) in Ophthalmic Dispensing

Guidance Notes

Please read the following carefully. By signing the course application form you are agreeing to the following terms and conditions.

Submission of assignments

All students should be aware that if their work is submitted late, reduced or no marks will be allocated. Students unable to achieve course schedules will be withdrawn with no refund.

Resignation/withdrawal from course studies

Once your place on the course is confirmed by ABDO College you will be liable to pay the fees, even if you subsequently withdraw from the course.

After confirmation but before official start date	Full Refund Less £30 administration fee
Up to 2 weeks from the official start date	Full Refund Less £30 administration fee
2 to 4 weeks from the official start date	75% of course fee Less £30 administration fee
4 to 8 weeks from the official start date	50% of course fee Less £30 administration fee
8 weeks after the official start date	No refund

Block release course studies

All ABDO College students following the BSc (Hons) programme are required to attend ABDO College for four weeks study. Failure to attend for your block will result in removal from the course.

Practical experience

All students should note that it is a requirement of the course to be working in a dispensing practice for a minimum of 30 hours per week while undertaking the BSc (Hons) in Ophthalmic Dispensing course. This must be under the supervision of a suitably qualified person. Students must not practice as a trainee dispensing optician unless supervised accordingly. As with the Foundation Degree programme you must have your employer's agreement to both supervise and support you for the duration of your studies. In this course you will be required to prepare and complete case studies.

Change of Supervisor

Please ensure that you notify ABDO College (using forms provided for you within your student pack), the Examination & Registration Department of the Association of British Dispensing Opticians and the General Optical Council if you change your Supervisor at any time during your course.

ABDO membership subscription

All students must retain their student membership of the ABDO.

GOC student registration

All students must retain their student registration with the General Optical Council. Forms are available from www.optical.org.

Course fees

Course material will not be despatched until fees are paid in full. It is the student's responsibility to arrange the payment of course fees. All fees are subject to change.

In the event that you are not accepted onto the course, a full refund will be issued.

Fees for academic year 2018 - 19 will be £5,500.00. Late applications will incur an additional £100 fee.

Course duration

The course will commence on 20th August 2018 with the first assignment being due Wednesday 29th August 2018 and will run for one full year finishing in July 2019.

Course material

Coursework material, assignments and essay questions will be available online for you to download for each module. You must therefore have regular access to a computer and a good quality internet connection. The study material will be provided on the Canterbury Christ Church University learning site, Blackboard.

Application deadline

The application form with all necessary enclosures should be received by ABDO College no later than 27th July 2018. Failure to meet this deadline will result in a delay in the processing of your application and the despatch of your course material. Applications received after this deadline will incur a late entry fee of £100.00.

Return address

Please send your completed application pack to:

The Courses Team
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