The October 2015 Fellowship Examinations of the West African College of Surgeons (WACS), in the Faculties of Anaesthesia, Dental Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Ophthalmology, Otorhinolaryngology, Radiology and Surgery, will hold from 14th to 28th October, 2015. All candidates applying for the PRIMARY EXAMINATION ONLY should go to www.wacscoac.org and follow the procedure for online applications.

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**REQUIREMENTS**

1. Candidates applying for the Diploma in Anaesthesia Examination must have completed the requisite twelve months training in Anaesthesia in an accredited institution. Application must be submitted with APPROVED LOG BOOK / PORTFOLIO and copies of appropriate relevant documents to the College Secretariat.

2. ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR PRIMARY EXAMINATION APPLICANTS ONLY

3. Candidates applying to sit the Primary Fellowship Examinations must be Medical Practitioners who are fully registered in member countries, and have acquired at least one-year Post-registration experience.

4. Candidates must register and pay online by logging on to www.wacscoac.org where candidate’s passport photograph, details of qualification and evidence of registration with the appropriate professional body will be requested. Candidate’s copy of logbooks duly certified by their training Consultants is compulsory. Surgeon in Training Registration evidence and Attendance Certificates of relevant update courses are required.

5. Candidates applying to sit Part I Examination in the Faculty of Radiology must indicate the specialty of interest i.e. (RADIOLOGY/DIAGNOSIS OR RADIOTHERAPY) as it appears on item no. 6 on the application form.

6. Candidates applying to sit the Part II (Final) Fellowship Examinations must have passed the Part I Examination of the West African College of Surgeons or its equivalent and satisfactorily completed appropriate years of Postgraduate training as prescribed by the relevant Faculty in the institution(s) accredited for the purpose by the College. Candidates are required to submit their original Certificates of Training (COT) Form with dates of commencement and completion of training, clearly stated. Altered or defaced COT will not be accepted. Submission of photocopies of logbooks duly certified by their training Consultants is compulsory. Surgeon in Training Registration evidence and Attendance Certificates of relevant update courses are required.

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8. Candidates applying to sit the Part II (Final) Fellowship Examinations must have passed the Part I Examination of the West African College of Surgeons or its equivalent and satisfactorily completed appropriate years of Postgraduate training and worked in their specialty for at least two (2) Years in Institution(s) accredited for the purpose by WACS as prescribed by the relevant Faculty. Candidates are to submit their original Certificates of Training (COT) Form with dates of commencement and completion of training, clearly stated. Altered or defaced COT will not be accepted. Submission of photocopies of logbooks duly certified by their training Consultants is compulsory. Surgeon in Training Registration evidence and Attendance Certificates of relevant update courses are required.

9. Candidates applying to sit Surgery Part II Examinations must submit Three (3) copies of their dissertations and 3 copies of approved Proposal separately bound in spiral bound format and a copy of their residents’ logbook at the time of submitting the application for the examination. They should in addition bring their file(s) of the raw results of the dissertation with them to the venue of the Oral examination.

10. Subspecialty as it appears on item no. 6 in the application form should be completed (this is applicable to Part II Dental Surgery, Radiology & Surgery).

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12. It is the candidate’s responsibility to retrieve both his/her log-book and dissertation at the end of the examination. A copy of the dissertation shall be kept by the College.

13. CANDIDATES WHO WISH TO SIT APRIL 2016 PART II EXAMINATION IN NIGERIA MUST SUBMIT CASEBOOKS AND DISSERTATIONS LATEST BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015

14. Candidates applying to sit Dental Surgery must submit Two (2) copies of their logbooks while Part II Candidates for ORL and Radiology are to submit a photocopy of their Logbooks, Three (3) copies of Approved Proposal and Three (3) copies of Dissertations before the closing date of applications. Original copies of logbooks should be brought to the examination venues.

15. All Part II Candidates must submit an evidence of attendance of Manuscript Writing Workshop and the Health Management and Ethics Workshop.

16. Further details are available in the Prospectus of the College.

**EXAMINATION FEES**

1. Primary Examination - N65, 000.00

2. Diploma in Anaesthesia (DA) - N65, 000.00

3. Part I Examination - N90, 000.00

4. Part II (Final) Examination - N130,000.00

**MODE OF PAYMENT**

For Candidates sitting examinations in Nigeria:

All Payments for Diploma, Parts I & II should be made at any UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC (UBA), into ACCOUNT NO. 1014816816 ACCOUNT NAME “WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS”. Original copy of TELLER should be attached with the application forms while candidates are advised to keep a photocopy.

For Candidates from Nigeria opting to sit examinations in Accra, Ghana, payments should be made at any UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC (UBA), into ACCOUNT NO. 1014816816. ACCOUNT NAME “WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS”.

**THE COLLEGE SHALL BEAR NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT INTO WRONG ACCOUNTS. CASH PAYMENT OR BANKDRAFT IS UNACCEPTABLE.**

Candidates must indicate their names in the Teller Column ‘Paid By’. Candidates should write their Faculty and Part of the Examination on the TELLER and submit same with their Examination Application Form to the College Secretariat either in person or by Courier Only.

**APPLICATION**

Current application forms are available at the College Secretariat, in Yaba, in Lagos and WAPMC Liaison Office at UGMS, Korle Bu, Accra, Ghana. Application forms can also be downloaded from the College website: www.wacscoac.org.

ALL APPLICATION FORMS MUST HAVE ATTACHED ‘DOCUMENTS INCLUDED CONTROL FORM’ WHICH COULD BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE WEBSITE ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION FORM AND RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.

DEFERMENT OF EXAMINATION AFTER SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION OR REFUND OF EXAMINATION FEES AFTER PAYMENT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

**CLOSING DATE**

The closing date for the submission of completed application forms is 2015 (Anaesthesia, Dental Surgery, Ophthalmology, ORL, Radiology and Surgery) must submit their dissertations by the closing date. NO LATE SUBMISSION.Applications and Dissertations submitted later than July 10, 2015 would not be processed.

Note: Any candidate that does not meet all the requirements as at the closing date will not be allowed to sit the examinations.

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All Application forms must be submitted with:-

- Original Bank Teller – DA/Part I/Part II
- Copies of Dissertations and approved Proposals – Part II
- Relevant certificates and photocopy of Log Books (DA, Parts I & II)
- Evidence of attendance at Diploma Examination Workshop (Part II)
- Health Management and Ethics Workshop (Part II)
- Evidence of training since passing Primary (Part I)
- Evidence of training since passing Part I (Part II)
- Evidence of registration as Surgeon in training (5.I.T)
- Part I candidates only
- Exemption certificate from primary (where applicable for Part I candidates)
- 3 self-addressed envelopes with sufficient postage stamps
- Candidates should indicate their e-mail addresses and their telephone numbers on their application forms.

**Dr J. O. Olatosi, FWACS**

Secretary General, WACS