This is a credit-based qualification.

These qualification regulations should not be read in isolation. It is important that you read them in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses).

**MSc–MC 1 DEGREE NAME**

**MSc–MC 1.1** The University offers the Master of Science in Medicinal Chemistry, referred to as the MSc in Medicinal Chemistry. Holders of this qualification are permitted to use the letters MSc Med Chem (Open) after their names.

**MSc–MC 1.2** If you obtain a distinction grade in at least 120 of the credits in your degree, you will be awarded the degree with distinction.

**MSc–MC 1.3** If you obtain at least a merit grade in 120 of the credits in your degree, you will be awarded the degree with merit.

**MSc–MC 2 REGISTRATION**

**MSc–MC 2.1** To register as a student, you must adhere to registration regulations in the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses) and show evidence of suitable preparation for postgraduate study. The normal minimum entrance requirement is an honours degree or equivalent conferred by a UK university or other recognised degree-awarding body.

**MSc–MC 2.2** To be awarded the degree, you must declare it as an intended qualification and ensure that your credit it linked to it.

**MSc–MC 3 CREDIT REQUIREMENT**

**MSc–MC 3.1** The University will award you the MSc in Medicinal Chemistry if you have obtained 180 credits from the successful completion of the compulsory modules in the profile.

**MSc–MC 3.2** The Senate may permit you to qualify for the degree if you have 180 credits of which not less than 120 are from successfully completed compulsory modules including the 60 credit project module and not more than 60 are transferred credit.

**MSc–MC 3.3** The credit for this degree must include from Open University modules a minimum amount that meets the University’s unique study regulations, that minimum amount is 60 credits.

**MSc–MC 4 CREDIT TRANSFER**

**MSc–MC 4.1** The credit transfer scheme for the MSc in Medicinal Chemistry is governed by the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses).

**MSc–MC 4.2** Any award of transferred credit towards the degree will take the form of module exemption.

**MSc–MC 4.3** Transferred credit is not permitted against the 60 credit project module.

**MSc–MC 4.4** The maximum award of transferred credit towards the MSc in Medicinal Chemistry is 60 credits.
MSc–MC 5 DURATION OF STUDY

MSc–MC 5.1 The credit required for the MSc in Medicinal Chemistry must be obtained during a period not exceeding seven years. Modules do not need to be studied consecutively.