

Policy

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In the course of their pathology training Trainees may take time out of their diagnostic training to undertake a PhD or other research.

For such Trainees the following policy applies:

1. Ordinarily, up to one year of training may be accredited for the purpose of research. For current Trainees, this accreditation must be requested prospectively, with the submission of a research program. Accreditation for retrospective requests will be granted at the discretion of the relevant Chief Examiner This option is not available within all programs and trainees are advised to consult their discipline specific Trainee Handbook.
2. For the accredited year of training, the Trainee must be under supervision by a Fellow of the College, as per Policy 11/2002: Supervision of Training. A supervisor's report and a detailed report of research to date will be required for the year. A standard training fee will be payable.
3. For time spent in research greater than one year, the Trainee will ordinarily not be accredited with additional time.
4. For non-accredited years, the Trainee is not required to submit a research program or Supervisor's Report. The Trainee will be encouraged to pay a deferment fee to maintain College communications.
5. One accredited year of research may be undertaken in a non-accredited laboratory. In the exceptional event of more than one year being accredited, prospective approval should be obtained from the Board of Education and Assessment and the relevant laboratory should be accredited for training.
6. Trainees undertaking an extended period of research should be aware of Policy 2/1998: Limitation on the Number of Examination Attempts and Length of Time Examination Passes Remain Valid.

Related Policies:

Policy 11/2002: Supervision of Training

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