APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION IN COSECSA SURGERY SPECIALTY TRAINING PROGRAMMES

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for registration and admission into the COSECSA surgery training program (Membership and Fellowship).

COSECSA offers Membership level and Fellowship level accredited training in General Surgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, Otorhinolaryngology, Urology, Paediatric Surgery, Neurosurgery, Plastic Surgery, Cardiothoracic and Paediatric Orthopaedic surgery.

COSECSA has 124 accredited hospitals across its 14 Member Countries (Botswana, Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda) and its (6) external Training sites (Cameroon, DRC, Niger, Lesotho, Somalia and Gabon). 448 specialist surgeons have already graduated from the COSECSA program so far.

We have 700+ trainees and 303 Accredited Trainers distributed across the region, providing access to training in urban and rural locations. COSECSA therefore, envisions a dynamic and professional Education and Training Program consistent with global standards.

COSECSA, invites online applications for the year 2021 from suitable candidates to be enrolled in accredited training sites throughout the COSECSA region.
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REQUIREMENTS.

General Information:

- You are required to contact your COSECSA Country Representative (CR) before applying for COSECSA training. Contact details are found on; [http://www.cosecsa.org/cosecsa-council](http://www.cosecsa.org/cosecsa-council)

- Carefully read the appropriate regulations for MCS / FCS and understand them. Make sure that you meet the requirements laid out, and agree to these regulations: These regulations are available at: [http://www.cosecsa.org/training-exams-research/membership-college-surgeons-%E2%80%93-mcs-ecsa](http://www.cosecsa.org/training-exams-research/membership-college-surgeons-%E2%80%93-mcs-ecsa) and [http://www.cosecsa.org/fcs](http://www.cosecsa.org/fcs) respectively.

- You must have the following ready to be uploaded:
  - a passport photo (in .jpg or .png format).
  - a scanned image of your medical degree (in .jpg ,.png or .pdf format). (Certified)¹.
  - A scanned image of your medical registration certificate (in .jpg, .png or .pdf format). (Certified)¹.
  - If applicable, you must have a scanned image of any surgical qualifications that you have such as MCS or MMED (in .pdf format).
  - a copy of the Birth Certificate/National Identity (Certified)¹.

Membership of College of Surgeons (MCS):

For those enrolling into MCS please follow the general instructions above

¹ Birth Certificate and Academic certificates must be notarised
Fellowship of College of Surgeons (FCS):

1. For those who are progressing from MCS to FCS
   Applicants for the FCS programmes should be able to show that they have passed the MCS examination not more than 3 years prior to applying to the FCS Programme.

2. For those who possess the MMED in Surgery and would like to register for FCS in the same specialty (Example MMED in General Surgery and want to apply for FCS General Surgery)
   Applicants with MMed (Surgery) qualification, may register to sit the FCS exam in the year following their completion of MMed training. On condition that this year is spent in an accredited COSECSA training programme in that specialty.

3. Those who possess the MMED in Surgery and would like to register for training in different specialty (Example MMED in General Surgery but wants to specialize in Orthopaedics) must register for the full FCS training course

4. For FCS Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgery programme, an applicant MUST have FCS Orthopaedics/MMed-Orthopaedics or equivalent qualifications.

HOW TO APPLY:

(a) ALL APPLICANTS shall submit applications online at http://www.cosecsa.org/candidate-registration. Remember to include Certified copies of your transcripts, certificates and a passport size photograph. Other relevant information can be obtained from COSECSA website; http://www.cosecsa.org/registration-information

(c) A non-refundable Programme Entry fee of USD 400 (United States Dollars four hundred only) for MCS and US$500 (five hundred dollars) to be paid to COSECSA through any of the following:
   • Paypal
   • Direct Bank transfer to COSECSA Arusha-Tanzania Account

Details of (c) above can be obtained from the secretariat upon approval of your application by the Country representative.

NOTE:

• Only applicants who attach their academic certificates will be considered for admission.
• Applicants who find difficulties filling the online form can receive help at applications@cosecsa.org

The closing dates for online applications for 2021 are as follows:

• MCS 31\textsuperscript{st} October, 2020.
• FCS 31\textsuperscript{st} December, 2020.