

*Recognised Academic Qualifications and Assessment of Competence for
Application to The Voluntary Registration Council*

Discipline – Ophthalmic Science Practice

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Foundation Degree – Ophthalmic Science & Technology

Other qualifications which will be considered, until the above qualification and training route is implemented, for individuals currently undergoing training or practising in service -

- TEC/BTEC/SCOTVEC C&G/IMI/ONC/OTEC/NC/HNC/HND OR DIP HE IN photographic, clinical/scientific photographic or science related subject
- CERT/DIP HE in photographic, clinical/scientific photographic or science related subject science related subject
- BSc/BA postgraduate diploma or equivalent qualification in photographic, clinical/scientific photographic or science related subject science related subject
- MPhil/MSc/MA in photographic, clinical/scientific photographic or science related subject science related subject
- PhD in photographic, clinical/scientific photographic or science related subject science related subject

Assessment of Competence:

From April 2006 until 2009, OR until the first cohort exit from the Foundation Degree - Ophthalmic Science & Technology and a minimum one years experience must be achieved through a competence-based training programme. This experience should be accrued whilst working in a recognized Ophthalmic Science Discipline.

As new qualifications are developed, entry criteria to the voluntary register will change.

By acting as a referee the Head of Department or Clinical Director is confirming that the applicant has reached the required level of competence and has achieved the minimum required experience.

NOTE: These criteria will be subject to change