

661AA Doctor of Clinical Dentistry

Year and Campus:	2016 - Parkville												
CRICOS Code:	076196K												
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees												
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate												
Duration & Credit Points:	300 credit points taken over 36 months full time.												
Coordinator:	Professor David Manton												
Contact:	<p>Melbourne Dental School</p> <p>Currently enrolled students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # General information: https://ask.unimelb.edu.au (https://ask.unimelb.edu.au/) # Email: enquiries-STEM@unimelb.edu.au (mailto:enquiries-STEM@unimelb.edu.au) <p>Future students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Further information: Doctor of Clinical Dentistry Webpage (http://www.dent.unimelb.edu.au/study/courses/doctor-of-clinical-dentistry/overview) # Email: Enquiry Form 												
Course Overview:	This course is offered in seven specialty areas: Endodontics, Oral Medicine, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, Special Needs Dentistry.												
Learning Outcomes:	<p>COURSE AIMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # To provide the opportunity to advance your knowledge and skills in a specialist area. # To engage with new and emerging fields of study. # To facilitate the advanced development of clinical, academic and research skills necessary for you to further your career in specialty practice, academia or research. <p>COURSE OBJECTIVES</p> <p>On completion of the DCD course, you should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 demonstrate proficiency and special skills in the provision of clinical services applicable to the specialty 2 demonstrate a detailed understanding of the principles, current developments and research methods applicable to the specialty 3 conduct an original scientific investigation into a biological, clinical or community health problem; and 4 communicate the results of scientific enquiry. 												
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	http://www.dent.unimelb.edu.au/study/courses/doctor-of-clinical-dentistry/overview (http://www.dent.unimelb.edu.au/study/courses/doctor-of-clinical-dentistry/overview)												
Majors/Minors/ Specialisations	Endodontics, Oral Medicine, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, Prosthodontics, Special Needs Dentistry												
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DENT90017 Clinical Practice in Specialty 1	Semester 1	25
DENT90012 Research Design 2	Semester 2	12.5
DENT90014 Research Proposal 2	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.5
DENT90016 Principles of Specialty 2	Semester 1, Semester 2	6.25
DENT90018 Clinical Practice in Specialty 2	Semester 1, Semester 2	25

Second Year

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
DENT90019 Minor Thesis 1	Semester 1	12.5
DENT90021 Advanced Seminars in Specialty 1	Semester 1	12.5
DENT90023 Adv Clinical Practice in Specialty 1	Semester 1	25
DENT90020 Minor Thesis 2	Semester 2	12.5
DENT90022 Advanced Seminars in Specialty 2	Semester 2	12.5
DENT90024 Adv Clinical Practice in Specialty 2	Semester 1, Semester 2	25

Third Year

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
DENT90025 Minor Thesis 3	Semester 1	18.75
DENT90027 Advanced Seminars in Specialty 3	Semester 1	6.25
DENT90029 Adv Clinical Practice in Specialty 3	Semester 1	25
DENT90026 Minor Thesis 4	Semester 1, Semester 2	18.75
DENT90028 Advanced Seminars in Specialty 4	Semester 2	6.25
DENT90030 Adv Clinical Practice in Specialty 4	Semester 1, Semester 2	25

Entry Requirements:	<p>1. In order to be considered for entry, applicants must have completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an undergraduate degree in Dentistry; and • at least two years of documented relevant clinical work experience; and • nomination of two referees. <p>Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection.</p> <p>2. In ranking applications, the Selection Committee will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prior academic performance; and • the professional experience; and • the referee reports. <p>3. The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board rules (http://about.unimelb.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/1413727/Use-of-Selection-Instruments-Rules-of-the-Academic-Board-23-March-2015.pdf) on the use of selection instruments.</p> <p>4. Applicants are required to satisfy the university's English language requirements for postgraduate courses. For those applicants seeking to meet these requirements by one of the standard tests approved by the Academic Board, performance band 7 (http://about.unimelb.edu.au/academicboard/resolutions) is required.</p>
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Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for the DOCTOR OF CLINICAL DENTISTRY are articulated in the Course Description, Course Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements.
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Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Student Equity and Disability Support website: <http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/> The Melbourne Dental School policy outlining requirements in relation to student disability for entry to and progression within the DOCTOR OF CLINICAL DENTISTRY are outlined below. Melbourne Dental School Policy in Relation to Students with Disabilities The curriculum of the DOCTOR OF CLINICAL DENTISTRY has been developed using graduate attribute statements in six domains (professionalism, scientific knowledge, patient care, dental profession, systems of health care and the society). Students entering the Melbourne DOCTOR OF CLINICAL DENTISTRY must therefore have the aptitude to achieve these attributes during the course. Compassion, integrity, concern for others, interpersonal skills, interest, insight into the effects of their own behaviour, and motivation are all personal qualities that will be assessed during the admissions and education processes. The Melbourne Dental School welcomes applications from students with disabilities. It is University and Faculty policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study. Appropriate adjustments will be made to enhance the participation of students with a disability in the dental course. A prospective student with a disability is advised to discuss with the staff in the student service centres issues related to his or her ability to successfully meet all the course requirements. All students of the DOCTOR OF CLINICAL DENTISTRY must possess the intellectual, ethical, physical and emotional capabilities required to participate in the full curriculum and to achieve the levels of competence at graduation required by the faculty and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation agency. A student with a disability may be asked to provide independent medical or other clinical assessments of the disability and its possible impact on the ability of the student to successfully complete the course, before being accepted into the course. This statement would be treated in confidence with only those on the admissions committee and the Student Equity and Disability Support having access to the document. Deliberate misinformation about the student's ability to successfully complete the course will be regarded as unprofessional practice and treated as such. While the Melbourne Dental School will make reasonable adjustments to minimise the impact of a disability, all students must be able to participate in the program in an independent manner. It is not reasonable for students to use an intermediary as an adjustment to compensate for a disability impacting on any of the five categories. In the clinical environment there is a primary duty of care to the patients and the needs of students cannot compromise this. It is expected that all students will be able to participate fully in all classroom based learning activities and to successfully fulfil the self-study requirements of the course. The presence of a disability will not automatically entitle the student to preferential treatment in clinical place allocation. A candidate for the Melbourne DOCTOR OF CLINICAL DENTISTRY must have abilities and skills in the following five categories:

- observation;
- communication;
- motor;
- conceptual, integrative, and quantitative;
- behavioural and social.

I. Observation: Practical Classes The student must be able to observe mandatory demonstrations and experiments in the designated subjects. Clinical Work The student must be able to observe a patient accurately at a distance and close at hand. Observation necessitates the functional use of the senses of vision, hearing and somatic sensation. It is enhanced by the functional use of the sense of smell.

II. Communication: Practical Classes The student must be able to hear and comprehend instructions in laboratories and practical sessions and be able to clearly and independently communicate knowledge and application of the principles and practices of the subject during assessment tasks. Clinical Work A student must be able to hear, to speak, and to observe patients in order to elicit information, describe changes in mood, activity, and posture and perceive nonverbal communications. A student must be able to communicate effectively and sensitively with patients in both oral and written modalities. The student must also be able to communicate effectively and efficiently in both oral and written modes with all members of the health care team, including using telephones and computers.

III. Motor: Practical Classes A student must be able to undertake the motor requirements for any mandatory practical sessions. Such actions require coordination of both gross and fine muscular movements, equilibrium, and functional use of the senses of touch and vision.

Clinical Work Students should have good motor function to elicit information from patients by physical examination; for example palpation, percussion, and other diagnostic manoeuvres. Students should possess sufficient manual dexterity to be able to perform procedures required as a dental practitioner. The student should be able to execute motor movements reasonably required to provide general dental care and emergency treatment to patients. Such actions require coordination of both gross and fine muscular movements, equilibrium, hand eye coordination and functional use of the senses of touch and vision.

IV. Intellectual-Conceptual, Integrative and Quantitative Abilities: Practical Classes The student is expected to have the ability to develop problem-solving skills and demonstrate this ability in practical sessions. These abilities include measurement, calculation, reasoning, analysis, and synthesis. Problem solving requires all of these intellectual abilities.

Clinical Work The student is expected to have the ability to develop problem-solving skills and demonstrate the ability to establish oral health care plans and priorities. These abilities include measurement, calculation, reasoning, analysis, and synthesis. Problem solving requires all of these intellectual abilities.

V. Behavioural and Social Attributes: Practical Classes A student

	<p>must possess the emotional health required for full utilization of his/her intellectual abilities, the exercise of good judgement, the prompt completion of all required tasks. Clinical Work A student must possess the emotional health required for full utilization of his/her intellectual abilities, the exercise of good judgement, the prompt completion of all responsibilities attendant to the diagnosis and care of patients, and the development of mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients and colleagues. It is a requirement of the course that students will be expected to physically examine their peers (of all genders) in classroom settings and patients (of all genders) in clinics.</p>
Generic Skills:	<p>You could reasonably expect to have acquired the following generic skills by the conclusion of this course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # advanced understanding of the changing knowledge base of a specialty; # ability to evaluate and synthesize research and professional literature; # highly-developed problem-solving abilities characterized by flexibility of approach; # superior capacity to articulate knowledge and understanding in oral and written presentations; # advanced understanding of the international context and sensitivities of the specialist area; # ability to design, conduct and report original research; # capacity to manage competing demands on time, including self-directed project work; # profound respect for truth and intellectual integrity, and for the ethics of scholarship; # ability to offer leadership in the specialist area; # capacity to value and participate in projects which require team-work; # understanding of the significance and value of their knowledge to the wider community (including business and industry); # capacity to engage where appropriate with issues in contemporary society; <p>and possibly,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # advanced working skills in the application of computer systems and software and a receptiveness to the opportunities offered by new technologies.
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