

Educating future dental experts

THE Postgraduate Diploma in Implant Dentistry (PGDID) offered by International Medical University (IMU) Malaysia is the first and only postgraduate diploma programme accredited by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency.

Taught by highly qualified local and international speakers who have rich experience in the field, the programme aims to equip students with the knowledge and skill to perform dental implant procedures at varying levels of complexity.

Its curriculum is benchmarked against the Diploma in Implant Dentistry examination by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

The PGDID is designed to train working dental practitioners through flexible modular delivery, which is supplemented with guidance from personal tutors.

Early clinical exposure is part of



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the curriculum. Students are encouraged to perform their first implant during the first module under close supervision of IMU's experienced implantologists.

The training standard for PGDID students includes assurance of patient safety. An evidence-based, patient-centred approach is used in advising patients regarding techniques, materials and choice of prostheses in their dental implant treatment.

The PGDID is offered in full-time and part-time mode. Full-time students are to complete all six modules within a year while part-time study allows students to complete two or three modules per year over a maximum of three years.

Students can perform their implant surgery requirement at their own clinics or at IMU Oral Health Centre. Clinical work begins in the first module.

Some prerequisites to enrol in the PGDID are:

- A qualification registrable as a dental surgeon with the Malaysian Dental Council (or its equivalent in other countries)
- At least two years of postgraduate clinical experience
- Interest in using dental implants with appropriate baseline knowledge and skill in oral surgery and restorative dentistry

IMU is Malaysia's most established private medical and health science university with more than 26 years of experience in healthcare education.

Established in 1992, IMU pioneered the Partner Medical School programme and has since gained international recognition through more than 30 partnerships with world-class universities in Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Canada,

Ireland and China.

IMU offers other postgraduate programmes as listed below.

- MSc in Public Health (taught)
- MSc in Analytical and Pharmaceutical Chemistry (taught)
- MSc in Molecular Medicine (taught)
- Master of Pharmacy Practice (taught)
- Master of Health Professions Education (taught)
- MSc in Medical & Health Sciences (by research)
- PhD in Medical & Health Sciences (by research)

IMU's main campus is in Bukit Jalil, with branch clinical schools located in Seremban, Kuala Pilah, Batu Pahat and Kluang.

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