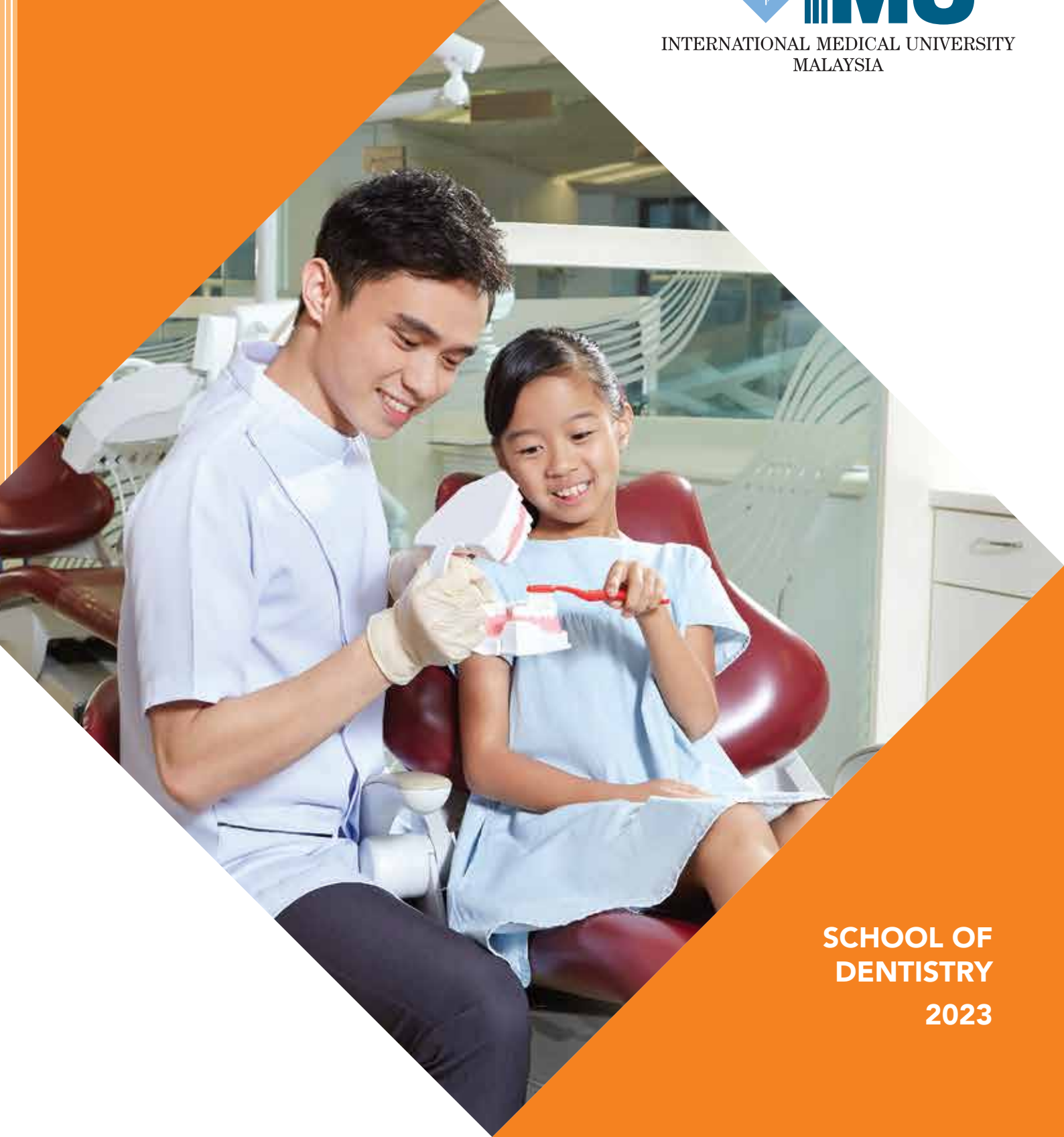


DENTISTRY



**INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY
MALAYSIA**



**SCHOOL OF
DENTISTRY**

2023

What is IMU's Dentistry Programme About?



Patient-centred oral care.

OVERVIEW

The Dentistry programme provides a choice of 2 tracks for students. The first track is implemented jointly by the International Medical University (IMU), in collaboration with English-speaking overseas partner universities, with students spending the first phase in Malaysia and the later years at one of our partner universities. On successful completion, the students will receive the degree from the respective partner university. The second track is for students to spend the entire 5 years of the undergraduate programme in IMU and receive the Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) degree from IMU.

The BDS programme has a revised curriculum approved by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) to produce work-ready dentists of the future. The programme provides an invigorating and stimulating learning environment using a wide assortment of learning approaches and early clinical experience. Interactive plenaries, team-based integrated learning (TBIL), workshops, peer assisted learning, student group dental practice, asynchronous and synchronous online learning, hospital postings, supervised and

Independent on-demand simulation sessions are some of the approaches to provide authentic, integrated and personalised learning. Personalisation of the learning path through excellent mentor support develops learners into independent, resilient, caring and compassionate dentists. The innovative incorporation of Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs) Workplace-based assessment (WBA) in the curriculum will ensure that graduates are prepared for any future challenges.

DEGREE / DURATION

Bachelor of Dental Surgery (IMU) – 5 years

Degree from partner universities – 5 - 5½ years

COMMENCEMENT

February

PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

AUSTRALIA



CANADA



NEW ZEALAND



UNITED KINGDOM



A Word from the Dean

“ The Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) programme aims to produce exemplary clinicians capable of delivering patient-centered oral healthcare to the highest standard with compassion and responsiveness using contemporary technology. Our graduates will be resilient and agile in adapting to diverse and changing environments, and to advocate for better oral health and healthcare through leadership, entrepreneurship, and inter-professional collaboration. ”

PROF SEOW LIANG LIN

Dean, School of Dentistry
BDS (Mal), MSc (London), FDSRCS (England), PhD (Mal)

How Does the Programme Work?



Skills learning through early clinical exposure.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE



The curriculum is reviewed periodically and is subject to change.

The MPU modules are compulsory modules required by Ministry of Higher Education under the Private Higher Educational Institutions Act 1996 (Act 555).

All students must take these modules and pass as a prerequisite for the award of the degree.

4 KEY FEATURES OF 2021 CURRICULUM

Micro-Credentialling

Enhancing skills through micro-credentials.

Early Clinical Exposure

Time for self-directed inquiry, integration of concepts, and reflection about learning.

Data Science Analytics

To harness mounting troves of data is the wave of the future.

Team-based Integrated Learning

Development of clinical skills in an environment similar to a small-group practice.

ASSESSMENT

The IMU Dentistry programme is outcomes and competencies based. Students are taught how to track their own progress in achieving the outcomes and competencies through formative assessments where students learn through feedback received about their performance. They can then discuss their progress with their personal mentors who will assist them to plan their progress and take appropriate remedial actions to get back on track where deemed necessary.

Formative Assessment

Regular assessment of clinical work in the form of Entrustable Professional Activities EPAs. EPAs assessment is a hallmark of the revised BDS curriculum that prepares graduates to be work ready.

- Online quizzes, questions and assignments
- Assessment of practical classes and feedback at end of class
- Assessment of clinical patient care and reflection of performance at end of each session
- Expected progressive clinical competencies – tracking progress through each semester
- Student portfolio – students reflect on their achievements and learning in the semester with collection of evidence of achievements and learning

Students will also have summative assessments to measure their progress of learning in the form of continuous assessments and professional examinations at the end of designated semesters.

Summative (High-Stakes) Assessment

- Written examinations – one best answer questions, short answer questions, extended matching questions, modified essay questions
- Practical examinations – competency tests, Objective Structured Practical Examination (OSPE)
- Clinical examinations – competency tests, Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)
- Professional Practice Assessments (PPA) – assessment of professional conduct by staff, patients and peers

CLINICAL INTERNSHIP

Students are exposed to the clinical environment right from Year 1 and will start treating patients from Year 2 after passing some defined competency tests. These clinical exposures will be at IMU Oral Health Centre, Hospital Tuanku Ja'afar Seremban and Hospital Tengku Ampuan Rahimah Klang.

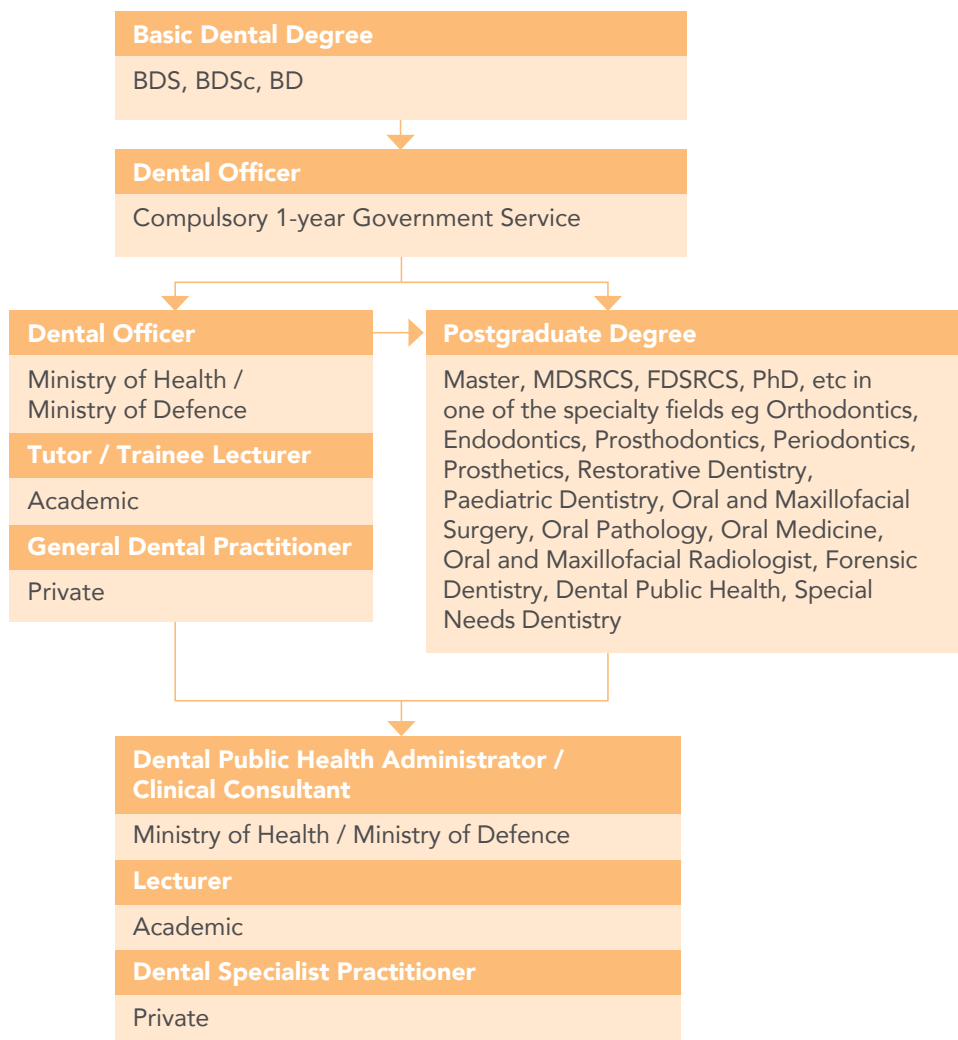
RECOGNITION OF DEGREE

The Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) (IMU) is recognised by the Malaysian Dental Council for full registration. Degrees from the Partner Dental School (PDS) are recognised internationally and locally by the Malaysian Dental Council for full registration. Graduates from the IMU's Dentistry programme are working in the Ministry of Health, Malaysia to complete their 1-year compulsory service. Graduates from the PDS are working in Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, and New Zealand.

CAREER PATHWAY

Dentistry is a professional career dedicated to the evaluation, diagnosis, prevention and treatment of diseases, disorders and conditions of the oral cavity, maxillofacial area (upper and lower jaws), associated structures next to these areas and their impact on the human body. Oral health is widely considered necessary for complete general health.

CAREER PATHS FOR DENTISTS IN MALAYSIA



Please note that in order to work with the Malaysian Government, graduates will be required to have a pass in SPM Bahasa Malaysia.

International students are advised to check with the professional bodies for internship/practising opportunities.

Learn from Our Experienced Lecturers



PROF SEOW LIANG LIN

BDS (Malaya), MSc (London),
FDSRCS (England), PhD (Malaya)

Prof Seow Liang Lin is currently the Dean for the School of Dentistry at IMU and has previously served in University of Malaya for ten years. She is actively involved in research and has won numerous awards at international arena. She is the Founding President of Malaysian Association for Prosthodontics and currently the President of Asian Academy of Prosthodontics.



PROF KHOO SUAN PHAIK

BDS (Mal), MSc (Lond),
Cert Immunol (Lond),
FFDRCSI (Oral Med), PhD (Spore)

Prof Khoo Suan Phaik is a specialist in the field of Oral Pathology and Oral Medicine. Prior to joining IMU in 2008 she had served at the University of Malaya for 20 years before joining as one of the pioneers setting up the School of Dentistry at IMU. She was Associate Dean for the School of Dentistry for 4 years before taking the role of Associate Dean for Community Engagement at the university level from 2018. She has published widely and is an invited speaker in various local and international conferences with research interests in oral mucosal diseases and orofacial pain. She is a member of the MQA Panel of Assessors for Dental Specialists, Head of DentSEdC Oral Pathology/Oral Medicine Committee under the Conjoint Technical Committee for the Evaluation of Specialist Dental Program (JTBPPKP) and a member of the Professional Qualifying Examination (PQE) Committee. She was the President of the International Association for Dental Research (Malaysian Section).



PROF TOH CHOOI GAIT

BDS Hons (Spore),
MSc (Lond), FDSRCPS (Glasgow),
DRDRCS (Edinburgh), FDSRCS (Edinburgh),
FAMM (Mal)

Prof Toh Chooi Gait was the Founding Dean of the School and currently the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Engagement and Industrial Partnerships. Prior to joining the IMU, she was a professor in the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Malaya and had served in various capacities including Deputy Dean and Head of Department of Conservative Dentistry. She is a member of the editorial boards of Operative Dentistry, the European Journal for Dental Education and had served as a reviewer for other local and regional journals including Malaysian Dental Journal and Asian Journal of Aesthetic Dentistry. She is a member of various governmental technical committees including Chairman of the Protem Examination Committee for the Professional Qualifying Examination of the Malaysian Dental Council, Joint Technical Committee for the Evaluation of Dental Specialist Committee of the Malaysian Qualification Agency, Malaysian Dental Deans Council, and Specialist Sub-Committee on Restorative Dentistry.

What Our Alumni Say



“ I was part of the pioneer batch in year 2008 and if one is to compare the times back then and now, many things have changed. The School of Dentistry has grown and matured with a strong team of educationists, clinicians and researchers by producing well sought after dental practitioners, treating high-volume of patients in our state of the art Oral Health Centre and publishing high impact publications annually. I am grateful to be given the opportunity to be part of the faculty under the IMU scholarship programme as the opportunities to learn and grow are limitless at IMU. ”

Chong Jun Ai Alumna

“ IMU School of Dentistry did an excellent job in providing a conducive environment for maximum learning experience. The state-of-the-art facilities such as the Oral Health Centre, Dental Skills Centre and learning resources ranging from library online databases to e-learning laboratories enhance learning opportunities; not forgetting the well qualified academic staff who promote continuous learning. The School provides its alumni with support for postgraduate programmes as well, and I am grateful to be one of the benefactors. The comprehensive training from the School produces professionals who will always strive for excellence. ”

Kweh Ting Jing Alumnus



“ First and foremost is that the facilities provided by School of Dentistry (SOD) are quite complete. I have been to several overseas universities such as China and Taiwan for my elective postings. Through these exchange programmes and communication with the students over there, I found that our School does indeed have the facilities that are good enough to compete on the international stage. ”

Tan Jun Hong Alumnus

“ If I could say anything about the School of Dentistry, I must say it is a very well organised with a holistic team catering to what is necessary in the development of a student's progress in their dental career. They are constantly listening to the needs of their students through feedback improvement and engagement with us. Personally a favourite liner of mine whenever people ask about my dental journey in IMU was "11/10 of my lecturers are absolutely fantastic. Not only are they good and compassionate clinicians, a rarity nowadays; but the way they deliver knowledge and shape our understanding and experience is admirable! ”

Looi Shyn Yin Alumna



Why Study Dentistry at IMU?

1

An Established Private Healthcare University

IMU is Malaysia's first and most established private medical and healthcare university with over 31 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. IMU achieved the SETARA-2018/2019 Tier 6 status (Outstanding) under the Mature University category.

2

Build Your Future Healthcare Professional Network

As IMU offers the widest range of healthcare programmes, our students are fully immersed in a vibrant community of students and practitioners from all healthcare fields. This allows for the development of strong friendship amongst peers that will be the foundation of an extensive healthcare professional network upon graduation.

3

Innovative Curriculum Benchmarked to International Standards

IMU's Dental curriculum is designed and benchmarked to meet high international standards and is accepted by international partner universities for credit transfer of the Phase 1 of their Dentistry programme. The curriculum has innovative learning and assessment practices which include micro-credential courses, providing opportunities for students to decide on their pace and content of learning in certain aspects of their degree.

4

Hands-on Clinical Experience in Fostering Patient-Centred Care

Students will have the opportunity to obtain hands-on experience at IMU's integrated clinics where clinical supervisors with expertise in various dental disciplines will provide excellent context in the practice of patient-centred care, enhancing patient approval and compliance to treatment. There is also an emphasis in the integration of scientific knowledge and clinical skills to provide evidence-based care through actual learning environments such as outreach clinical postings.

5

Preparing to be Oral Health Leaders of Tomorrow

Students can learn across all specialties of dentistry in one place, under the supervision of outstanding faculty which will hone their leadership and entrepreneurial skills, a much-needed skill to succeed in tomorrow's world.

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PROGRAMMES AT IMU

Pre-University

Foundation in Science

KPT/JPT(R/010/3/0186)09/2023
MQA/FA3974

Undergraduate

Biomedical Science

KPT/JPT(R3/421/6/0011)12/2027
MQA/A8230

Chinese Medicine

KPT/JPT(R2/721/6/0059)01/2027
MQA/A10260

Chiropractic

KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0054)08/2026
MQA/A9294

Dentistry

KPT/JPT(R3/724/6/0010)01/2030
MQA/FA7026

Dietetics with Nutrition

KPT/JPT(R2/726/6/0021)09/2029
MQA/A8176

Digital Health

KPT/JPT(N/482/6/0209)03/2028
MQA/PSA14380

Medical Biotechnology

KPT/JPT(R2/545/6/0014)09/2027
MQA/FA15505

Medicine

KPT/JPT(R2/721/6/0033)09/2026
MQA/FA6155

Nutrition

KPT/JPT(R2/726/6/0011)06/2027
MQA/FA1298

Nursing

KPT/JPT(R/723/6/0125)04/2027
MQA/FA8944

Pharmaceutical Chemistry

KPT/JPT(R3/442/6/0003)01/2028
MQA/A8229

Pharmacy

KPT/JPT(R2/727/6/0050)09/2026
MQA/FA8374

Psychology

KPT/JPT(R3/311/6/0013)09/2027
MQA/A8177

Postgraduate

Acupuncture (MSc)

KPT/JPT(R/721/7/0071)03/2027
MQA/PA8570

Analytical & Pharmaceutical Chemistry (MSc)

KPT/JPT(R2-CDL/442/7/0001)01/2027
KPT/JPT(N-DL/442/7/0022)02/2026
MQA/FA1191

Business Administration in Healthcare Management (PG Cert/PG Dip/Master)

KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1082)9/2023
MQA/PSA11354
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1090)12/2023
MQA/PSA11355
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1085)10/2023
MQA/PSA11353

Counselling (Master)

KPT/JPT(N/762/7/0046)09/2026
MQA/PA12002

Diabetes Management & Education (PG Dip)

KPT/JPT(R/726/7/0030)01/2028
MQA/SWA9086

Endodontics (PG Dip)

KPT/JPT(N/724/7/0043)05/2024
MQA/SWA12162

Health Informatics and Analytics (PG Cert/PG Dip/Master)

KPT/JPT(N/720/7/0131)09/2025
MQA/PSA13973
KPT/JPT(N/720/7/0130)09/2025
MQA/PSA13972
KPT/JPT(N/720/7/0129)09/2025
MQA/PSA13974

Health Professions Education (PG Cert/PG Dip/Master)

KPT/JPT(R/145/7/0066)09/2025
MQA/SWA05162
KPT/JPT(R/145/7/0064)09/2025
MQA/PA5163
KPT/JPT(R/145/7/0070)09/2025
MQA/SWA5164
KPT/JPT(N-DL/145/7/0120)02/2026
MQA/SWA05162

Implant Dentistry (PG Dip)

KPT/JPT(R/724/7/0019)06/2026
MQA/SWA6111

Molecular Medicine (MSc)

KPT/JPT(R2/545/7/0078)07/2027
MQA/FA1299
KPT/JPT(N-DL/545/7/0101)09/2025
MQA/SWA 11357

Pharmacy Practice (Master)

KPT/JPT(R/727/7/0051)03/2024
MQA/SWA02796

Prosthodontics (PG Dip)

KPT/JPT(N/724/7/0042)05/2024
MQA/PSA12163

Public Health (MSc)

KPT/JPT(R2/720/7/0077)09/2025
MQA/A10261
KPT/JPT(N-DL/720/7/0118)09/2023
MQA/SWA11356

Medical & Health Sciences (MSc/PhD)

KPT/JPT(R2/720/7/0049)06/2026
MQA/A10618
KPT/JPT(R2/721/8/0043)01/2027
MQA/A3767



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