PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY MSc
/ 2018/19 ENTRY

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This flexible, three-year Master's programme blends online, distance learning with hands-on simulated clinical training and aims to support students’ ongoing clinical work at the same time as developing their abilities.

**Degree summary**

Year one provides students with the basic knowledge required in paediatric dentistry and teaches some of the clinical techniques needed in a laboratory setting. Year two encourages more advanced and complex treatment planning and looks at other aspects of good patient care such as clinical governance. Year three consolidates the learning to date and provides the theoretical experience required for graduates to understand, critically appraise and potentially carry out research.

The programme offers excellent skills laboratory facilities including practical experience of inhalation sedation. The unit's staff have expertise in caring for young patients with behavioural problems, dental trauma, craniofacial anomalies and severe medical conditions. Students will be offered help in the management of their own patients.

The programme is delivered through a combination of seminars, online learning and hands-on sessions in our skills laboratory. Assessment will be through written and practical tests, logbook of patients treated in practice, case presentations, essay, and vivas throughout the programme. Contact days are as follows: Year 1 – one week in November, one week in March and an exam day in June; Year 2 – one week in November and an exam day in June; Year 3 – one week in December or January and an exam day in June.

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**Degree structure**

Mode: Part-time: 3 years; Flexible: up to 5 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury
Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of seven core modules (120 credits), and a research project/dissertation (60 credits).

The PG Diploma consists of seven core modules (120 credits); two years part-time.
The PG Certificate consists of four core modules (60 credits); one year part-time.

### CORE MODULES
- Management of Oral Disease
- Trauma
- Behaviour Management
- Planning Treatment in the Developing Child
- Clinical Governance
- Advanced Paediatric Dentistry
- Structured Extramural Clinical Practice

### OPTIONAL MODULES
- There are no optional modules for this programme.

### DISSERTATION/RESEARCH PROJECT
- All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of approximately 10,000–12,000 words.
Your career

The first cohort of students on the Paediatric Dentistry MSc graduated in 2017, therefore no information on graduate destinations is currently available.

However, destinations of recent graduates of the institute’s Paediatric Dentistry Postgraduate Certificate (which this new programme supersedes) include: specialist registrar; senior dental officer, community dentistry; and clinical lead for dental salaried services.

Employability

As well as enhancing your clinical skills, this programme also supports the development of transferable skills such as the use of electronic resources, giving presentations and academic writing.

This is the only blended learning MSc programme to provide further training in paediatric dentistry, designed to support working dentists. The programme allows students to learn from expert teaching staff including: the BSPD editor for the International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry; a committee member for Paediatric Dental Care Pathways and Level II Practitioners in Paediatric Dentistry; MPaedDent examiners; BSPD representative for Intercollegiate Advisory Committee for Sedation in Dentistry (IACSD); a member of The Society for the Advancement of Anaesthesia in Dentistry (SAAD).
Entry requirements

All applicants must normally hold an approved dental qualification and have a minimum of two years’ clinical experience post-qualification.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Good.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at:

www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

// why you want to study Paediatric Dentistry at graduate level
// why you want to study Paediatric Dentistry at UCL
// what particularly attracts you to this programme
// how your personal, academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
// where you would like to go professionally with your degree.

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

Applicants should demonstrate they are currently treating children for approximately two days per week (or part-time equivalent).

Application fee: There is an application processing fee for Eastman Dental Institute programmes of £110 for online applications and £135 for paper applications. More details about the application fee can be found at www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.