PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY MSc
2019/20 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.

Degree structure

Mode: Part-time: 3 years; Flexible: up to 5 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Part-time students will be expected to attend the Eastman for week blocks for skills lab training (Two in year 1, and one in years 2 &3) and for exam days at the end of each year.

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of eight core modules (120 credits), and a research project/dissertation (60 credits).

The PG Diploma consists of eight core modules (120 credits); two years part-time.

The PG Certificate consists of four core modules (60 credits); one year part-time.

Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

COMPULSORY MODULES

- Management of Oral Disease
- Trauma
- Behaviour Management
- Planning Treatment in the Developing Child
- Clinical Governance
- Advanced Paediatric Dentistry
- Structured Extramural Clinical Practice
- Managing Children with Special Needs

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, and graduands include Academic Training Fellow, Speciality doctor and Senior Dental Officer posts.

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: 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), education committee members from the EAPD & IAPD.
Entry requirements

All applicants must 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).

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

FEES AND FUNDING 2019/20 ENTRY

- UK: See Fees Note (PT)
- EU: See Fees Note (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Students website.

The tuition fees shown are for the 2019/20 academic year. Fees for 2019/20 are as follows: Years 1, 2 or 3: £5,967 (UK/EU), £7,264 (Overseas). Fees for subsequent years will be higher, in accordance with UCL’s fees policy.

All students on this programme on a part-time or flexible basis are required to pay a fee deposit of £500.

Note on mode of study: Selecting the part-time mode allows you access to study loans, but students must complete their studies in consecutive years and may not take any time away from study without authorised Extenuating Circumstances. Those selecting the flexible mode of study cannot access loans. They are able to take a break from the end of a year of study but must complete the programme within five years.

It is not possible to transfer between modes of study so students need to select the option that suits their personal circumstances. Students will be taught together irrespective of their mode of study.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 1 June 2019

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

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