

Bachelor of Oral Health

These Program Rules should be read in conjunction with the University's policies (<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies>).

1 Duration of program

The program of study for the degree of Bachelor of Oral Health shall extend over three years of full-time study.

Students wishing to interrupt their studies must apply for permission and obtain beforehand the approval of the Dean on behalf of the School for leave of absence for a defined period.

A student who leaves the program without approval or who extends leave of absence beyond the time period approved by the Dean shall be deemed to have withdrawn his or her candidature for the degree but shall be permitted to reapply for admission to the program in accordance with the procedures in operation at the time.

Students who have interrupted their studies in the prescribed courses may be required to resume at such a point in the program and/or undertake such additional or special program of study as the Dean of the School deems appropriate.

2 Enrolment

2.1 Approval of enrolment

The following students must have their program of study approved by the Dean or nominee at the time of enrolment in the year concerned:

- a students who have been granted or are seeking status or exemption from these Rules
- b students who are repeating a course or courses; such students may be required to resume at a point in the program and/or undertake such additional or special program of study as the Dean of the School of Dentistry deems appropriate
- c students who have obtained permission from the School of Dentistry to intermit their program for reasons approved in each case.

2.2 Prescribed communicable infections policy

The University promotes a pro-active public health approach to prescribed communicable infections (PCI) such as HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C, and seeks to minimise the impact of these infections on students' academic progress.

It offers understanding and practical support to students with such infections, and aims to provide a work and study environment free from discrimination, challenging views that result in discriminatory attitudes toward people with PCIs.

The University also has a legal and ethical obligation to take all reasonable measures to prevent the transmission of prescribed communicable infections among students, staff members and visitors, and recognises that some students with such infections will not be permitted to complete the Bachelor of Oral Health or other clinical programs offered by the Faculty of Health Sciences.

All prospective students considering admission to this program are strongly advised to consult the University's *Students with Prescribed Communicable Infections Policy* - available through the University's website at www.adelaide.edu.au/policies/591/ - which makes reference to the relevant legislation, elaborates on the reasons for the adoption of this policy, and outlines procedures for implementing the policy.

2.3 Police Record Check

Bachelor of Oral Health students require a National Police Certificate, obtained through a Police Record Check, before undertaking clinical placements or internships. Organisations providing clinical placements require the Certificate in line with legislation concerning the professional care of children, or people who are ill, elderly or vulnerable.

3 Assessment and examinations

3.1 There shall be four classifications of pass in the final assessment of any course for the Bachelor Degree, as follows: Pass with High Distinction, Pass with Distinction, Pass with Credit, Pass. The Pass result in the Annual Oral Health Examinations shall be Non-Graded.

It is a requirement that all courses are completed at a Pass level or better in order to progress to the following year and to meet the academic requirements of the program.

3.2 In determining a candidate's final result in a course (or part of a course) the examiners may take into account oral, written, clinical, practical and examination work.

- 3.3 A candidate may not be eligible to attend for examination unless the prescribed work has been completed to the satisfaction of the academic staff concerned.
- 3.4 A candidate who fails a course shall, unless exempted wholly or partially there from by the Dean of the School of Dentistry, again complete the required work in that course to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned. Such a candidate may be required to attend concurrently such lectures, clinical practice, laboratory and other practical work as the School of Dentistry may prescribe, in other course(s) of an annual examination.
- 3.5 A candidate who has twice failed to obtain a Pass in the examination in any course for the Degree may not enrol for that course again except by special permission of the School of Dentistry and then only under such conditions as School of Dentistry may prescribe.
- 3.6 A candidate who is exempt from more than 50% in a stream shall not be granted a classified pass in that stream.

4 Qualification requirements

- 4.1 The program for the degree of Bachelor of Oral Health shall extend over three years.
To qualify for the degree a candidate shall regularly attend class meetings, tutorials and clinical practice, do written and laboratory or other practical work, including playing the role of the patient and chair side assistant, to the satisfaction of the academic staff concerned, and pass the prescribed examinations.

Students shall attend clinics of the South Australian Dental Service and other teaching hospitals, and health centres, and accredited dental practices in South Australia and interstate, as required for their clinical instruction.

Students must register with the Dental Board of Australia.

- 4.2 Academic program

To qualify for the Degree a candidate shall meet the requirements in the course outlines that may include attendance in class meetings, tutorials and clinical practice, do written and laboratory or other practical work to the satisfaction of the Dean of the School of Dentistry and pass the prescribed examinations.

The following are the courses of study for:

ORAL HLTH 1200HO First Annual Oral Health Examination:

ORAL HLTH 1201AHO/BHO Dental and Health Science IOH Part 1 & 2	6
ORAL HLTH 1202AHO/BHO Clinical Practice IOH Part 1 & 2	8
ORAL HLTH 1203AHO/BHO Human Biology IOH Part 1 & 2	6
ORAL HLTH 1204AHO/BHO Professional Studies IOH Part 1 & 2	4

The following are the courses of study for:

ORAL HLTH 2200HO Second Annual Oral Health Examination:

ORAL HLTH 2201AHO/BHO Dental and Health Science II OH Part 1 & 2	4
ORAL HLTH 2202AHO/BHO Clinical Practice IIOH Part 1 & 2	12
ORAL HLTH 2203AHO/BHO Human Biology IIOH Part 1 & 2	4
ORAL HLTH 2204AHO/BHO Professional Studies IIOH Part 1 & 2	4

The following are the courses of study for:

ORAL HLTH 3200HO Third Annual Oral Health Examination:

ORAL HLTH 3201AHO/BHO Dental and Health Science IIIOH Part 1 & 2	8
ORAL HLTH 3202AHO/BHO Clinical Practice IIIOH Part 1 & 2	12
ORAL HLTH 3204AHO/BHO Oral Health Electives IIIOH Part 1 & 2	4

- 4.3 Rules for admission of students from the School of Dentistry to the practice of the South Australian Dental Service and other teaching hospitals and health centres
 - 4.3.1 Each student of the School of Dentistry at the University of Adelaide shall attend clinics of the South Australian Dental Service, or other teaching hospitals or health centres, as directed by the Dean of the School of Dentistry; and each student shall be admitted to the practice of the South Australian Dental Service or other teaching hospitals or health centres under the disciplinary control of the Chief Executive Officer, in the case of the former, or the Medical Superintendent or Director, in the case of the latter, whilst in attendance.
 - 4.3.2 No student may introduce visitors into any of the said clinics, hospitals or health centres without permission of the above designated officers.

- 4.3.3 Students shall conduct themselves with propriety and discharge the duties assigned, and pay for or replace any article damaged, lost or destroyed by them; and make good any loss sustained by their negligence.
- 4.3.4 Each student shall at all times be under the direction and supervision of a duly appointed member of the teaching staff of the University of Adelaide, or a person who has been granted appropriate University status, and shall carry out such work as shall be allotted.
- 4.3.5 No student shall administer treatment to any patient without the approval of an appointed teacher.
- 4.3.6 Except in the performance of the associated clinical duties, no student may disclose any information whatsoever concerning a patient without the permission of both the patient and the Senior Dental or Medical Officer in charge.
- 4.3.7 No student shall publish a report on any case without the written permission of the Chief Executive Officer in the case of the South Australian Dental Service, or the Medical Superintendent or Director in the case of teaching hospitals or health centres, and the Senior Dental or Medical Officer under whose care the patient is or has been.
- 4.3.8 No student shall communicate directly to the press, radio or television any matter concerning the clinical practice of the institution to which that student is attached.
- 4.3.9 Students shall pay such fees as are laid down by the South Australian Dental Service in consultation with the Dean of the School of Dentistry; no student shall be admitted to clinics until such fees are paid.
- 4.3.10 Misconduct or infringement of any of these rules, may lead to temporary suspension by the Chief Executive Officer, South Australian Dental Service, or the Medical Superintendent or Director, other teaching hospitals or health centres. In the case of such temporary suspension, written notice shall immediately be given to the Dean of the School of Dentistry.

4.4 Unacceptable combinations of courses

No candidate will be permitted to count towards an award any course, together with any other course, which, in the opinion of the Faculty concerned, contains a substantial amount of the same material; and no course or portion of a course may be counted twice towards an award.

4.5 General

A candidate shall satisfactorily complete each annual examination before entering upon the work of the following year's program of study provided that:

- a A candidate shall enrol in all clinical streams of the year undertaken and shall enrol in any other courses that the School of Dentistry mandates. Except by permission of the School of Dentistry the candidate may not enrol concurrently for any additional courses from the following year.
- b A candidate may begin the first semester's work in the following year's program of study pending the result of any supplementary examination for which the candidate has been permitted to present.
- c A supplementary examination shall not be awarded on academic grounds if the student has achieved an aggregate score of less than 45%. Students shall not be awarded more than two supplementary examinations on academic grounds per year.

4.6 Graduation

Subject to Chapter 89 of the Statutes, candidates who have satisfied the requirements for any award of the University shall be admitted to that award.

5 **Special circumstances**

When in the opinion of the relevant Faculty special circumstances exist, the Council, on the recommendation of the Faculty in each case, may vary any of the provisions of the Academic Program Rules for any particular award.