Overview

The Dentistry programme provides a choice of 2 tracks for students. The first track is implemented jointly by the IMU, Malaysia, 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.

A wide variety of teaching-learning approaches are employed in the BDS programme to provide a stimulating environment for learning. These include lectures, problem-based learning (PBL), technology enhanced learning (TEL), practical classes, patient simulation, plenaries, clinical skills sessions, e-learning, independent case based learning, clinical dental treatment of patients and postings to hospitals and clinics.
“The BDS programme aims to produce exemplary clinicians capable of delivering evidence-based 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.”

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## How Does the Programme Work?

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<th>Semester</th>
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The curriculum is reviewed periodically and is subject to change.
The MPU modules are compulsory modules imposed 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.
Assessment
The IMU Dentistry programme is outcomes and competencies based. The 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
- 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

The students will also have summative assessments to measure their progress of learning in form of continuous assessments and professional examinations at 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 – 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 exposure will be at IMU’s Oral Health Centre, Hospital Tuanku Jaafar Seremban and Tuanku Mizan Military Hospital.

Recognition of Degree
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 as well as locally by the Malaysian Dental Council for full registration. Graduates from 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.

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<td><strong>Basic Dental Degree</strong></td>
<td>BDS, BDSc, BD, BOH</td>
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<td><strong>Dental Officer</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Tutor / Trainee Lecturer</strong></td>
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<td><strong>General Dental Practitioner</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Postgraduate Degree</strong></td>
<td>Master, MDSRCS, FDSRCS, PhD, etc in one of the specialty fields eg Orthodontics, Endodontics, Prosthodontics, Periodontics, Prosthetics, Restorative Dentistry, Paediatric Dentistry, Oral &amp; Maxillofacial Surgery, Oral Pathology, Oral Medicine, Oral &amp; Maxillofacial Radiologist, Forensic Dentistry, Dental Public Health, Special Needs Dentistry</td>
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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.
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 27 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. IMU achieved the SETARA-2017 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. **Curriculum Benchmarked to International Standards**
   IMU’s Dental curriculum has been developed to meet high international standards and is accepted by international partner universities for credit transfer of the Phase 1 of their Dentistry programme.

4. **Better Preparation for a Career as a Dentist**
   With early exposure to the clinical environment in Semester 1 and treatment of patients from Year 2, students are better prepared through student-centred learning activities and competency tests for patient care and compulsory service.

5. **Taught by Well-Qualified Staff at World-Class Facilities**
   Students are taught by qualified, competent professionals with over 10 years of academic experience. Learning environments include the IMU Dental Skills Centre and Oral Health Centre, both of which are equipped with new technologies for interactive learning, skills development and patient education, promoting pleasant and safe patient care.
How Much Does It Cost?

Dentistry Programme Fees

All fees quoted are in Ringgit Malaysia unless stated otherwise.

FEES OVERVIEW

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** Based on exchange rates: A$1 = RM3.016, NZ$1 = RM2.78, £1 = RM5.427, C$1 = RM3.22

FEES BY PROGRAMME ROUTES

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Note

* Students who are transferring to partner universities will be required to pay transfer fee of RM4,400 per semester.
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Equipment Cost

• Students will be required to purchase equipment to carry out the required training exercise of the programme. The estimated sum is RM10,000.

University of Adelaide

• Students made ineligible if they have failed an end-of-semester examination in any year.
• Students made ineligible if they received less than ‘good’ results for motivation, class participation, academic ability, English proficiency, clinical skills, interactive skills on the Student Attribute Form.

University of Glasgow & University of Dundee

• Students must meet English language proficiency requirements (IELTS 7 in all bands).

• Tuition and ancillary fees at partner universities overseas are subject to annual increases.
• All fees are accurate at time of print. For latest fees and information, please go to www.imu.edu.my.
• Excluding other mandatory university fees, health insurance and the cost of dental instruments, supplies, laptop computer and electronic textbook library.
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Pre-University
Foundation in Science
KPT/JPT(R/010/3/0186)09/2023

Undergraduate
Medicine
KPT/JPT(R2/721/6/0033)09/2026
Psychology
KPT/JPT(R2/311/6/0013)09/2022
Dentistry
KPT/JPT(R2/724/6/0010)01/2023
Pharmacy
KPT/JPT(R2/727/6/0050)09/2026
Pharmaceutical Chemistry
KPT/JPT(R2/442/6/0003)01/2023
Dietetics with Nutrition
KPT/JPT(R2/726/6/0021)09/2022
Nutrition
KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0011)06/2022
Biomedical Science
KPT/JPT(R2/421/6/0011)09/2022
Medical Biotechnology
KPT/JPT(R2/545/6/0014)09/2022
Chiropractic
KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0054)08/2026
Chinese Medicine
KPT/JPT(R2/721/6/0059)01/2027
Nursing
KPT/JPT(R/723/6/0125)04/2020
Nursing Science
(for registered nurses)
KPT/JPT(R2/723/6/0101)01/2024

Postgraduate
Acupuncture (MSc)
KPT/JPT(N/721/7/0071)03/2022
Analytical & Pharmaceutical Chemistry (MSc)
KPT/JPT(R-CDL/442/7/0001)01/2022
Business Administration in Healthcare Management
(Postgraduate Certificate/ Postgraduate Diploma/Master)
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1082)09/2023
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1090)12/2023
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1085)10/2023
Diabetes Management & Education
(Postgraduate Diploma)
KPT/JPT(N/726/7/0030)02/2023
Health Professions Education (HPE)
(Postgraduate Certificate/ Postgraduate Diploma/Master)
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0066)09/2020
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0064)09/2020
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0070)09/2020
Implant Dentistry (Postgraduate Diploma)
KPT/JPT(N/724/7/0019)06/2021
Molecular Medicine (MSc)
KPT/JPT(R/545/7/0078)07/2022
Pharmacy Practice (Master)
KPT/JPT(R/727/7/0051)03/2024
Public Health (MSc)
KPT/JPT(R/720/7/0077)09/2020
Medical & Health Sciences
(MSc & PhD by Research)
KPT/JPT(R2/721/8/0043)01/2020
KPT/JPT(R2/720/7/0049)06/2026

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