



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
MELBOURNE

# Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)



## Why study at Melbourne?

If you are passionate about health and biosciences, highly motivated to succeed, have a thirst for life-long learning and excel academically, then the University of Melbourne is for you.

Renowned for global leadership in health research, policy and practice, the University of Melbourne educates more health professionals than any other university in Australia.

As a student, you will benefit from our first-class study options, state-of-the-art facilities and extensive connections with specialist and general hospitals, leading research institutes and the community and private sectors.

Studying at the University of Melbourne opens the door to a world of opportunities.

## About the Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)

The Doctor of Dental Surgery is a professional graduate degree that provides ideal training for a career as an outstanding dentist.

The Doctor of Dental Surgery is the only graduate program in Australia for training general dental practitioners in a professional doctorate qualification and is comparable to other international programs.

The course is a professional postgraduate level degree that will lead to registration as a dentist with the Dental Board of Australia and The Dental Council of New Zealand. The Doctor of Dental Surgery offers:

- > Intensive clinical training and exposure to research
- > Highly qualified academics with qualifications and research experience from leading universities around the world
- > Clinical training in urban, rural and Indigenous settings (public and private) in Victoria
- > The opportunity to work with diverse populations and develop a strong sense of commitment to the principles of ethical dental practice.

The Melbourne Dental School in Carlton provides a stimulating and intellectually challenging environment at the forefront of oral health, state-of-the-art technologies and international collaborations with a particular focus on the Asia-Pacific region.

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## Testimonial

### Gianni Bramante

"I decided to do dentistry because of my desire to work with people in a clinical setting, whilst still being able to pursue research. The main thing I have enjoyed in dentistry so far is that it takes you out of your comfort zone and I've had to rise to the challenge of a new discipline with many different components."

## How long is the course?

The Doctor of Dental Surgery is a four year full-time course, which will qualify students for professional registration as general dental practitioners.

## Career opportunities

Graduates from the Doctor of Dental Surgery will be highly prepared to work in an ever-changing and complex environment, where leadership and clinical skills are in high demand.

By completing the Doctor of Dental Surgery, you will be well positioned to pursue a career in a wide range of dental settings. Most graduates practice as general dental practitioners in the private and public sector, where employment prospects are excellent with good salaries.

Graduates from the Melbourne Dental School are in high demand in the workplace. Employers and clinicians rate our graduates highly.

## Fees and scholarships

- > Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) and full fee places are available
- > All local places are eligible for financial assistance in the terms of either FEE-HELP or HECS-HELP. Students may also be eligible for Youth Allowance and Austudy
- > International students are eligible for full fee paying places.

For detailed information on fees and scholarships go to: [www.dent.unimelb.edu.au/dsweb/future\\_students/dds/dds10.html](http://www.dent.unimelb.edu.au/dsweb/future_students/dds/dds10.html)

## Partnerships and Networks

In recent years, the Melbourne Dental School has attracted more nationally competitive research funding than any other dental school in Australia. The Melbourne Dental School established the Cooperative Research Centre for Oral Health Science and the Victorian Centre for Oral Health Science, whose researchers work closely with the Bio 21 Institute.

## Selection criteria

To apply for the Doctor of Dental Surgery, applicants must have:

- > An approved three or more year bachelor degree;
- > Prerequisite second year subjects (one each) of anatomy, physiology and biochemistry; and
- > Sat the Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT).

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## How do I apply?

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