



Frequently asked questions

After doing this course, will I be able to tackle challenging oral surgery cases?

On certification the candidate will;

- Have evidence of enhanced skills and experience
- Have the knowledge and ability to carry out a range of oral surgery activities for patients with moderate need
- Be able to recognise when specialist advice is needed
- Understand what equipment and settings are required to safely carry out enhanced skills procedures such as surgical removal of uncomplicated 3rd molars requiring bone removal, surgical removal and exposure of uncomplicated ectopic teeth, surgical removal of retained roots and biopsy of benign oral lesions.

What is Tier 2 Oral Surgery?

Tier 2 Oral Surgery is that Oral Surgery can be performed by a non-specialist but requires extra PG training. There is a big push in the UK to get dentists in primary care to become accredited as 'dentists with special interest' in oral Surgery so they can bid for tier 2 OS contracts. One of the aims of this diploma is to provide evidence of training that will help dentists gain that accreditation.

Can I use the title of a postgraduate diploma after my name?

As our diploma is approved and supervised by a UK-based awarding body, successful graduates will be awarded the title Postgraduate Diploma Oral Surgery but they SHOULD NOT mislead the public into thinking that treatment is being provided by a Specialist.

Is the diploma registered with the GDC?

As with many postgraduate diplomas in dentistry, this PG diploma is not registered with the GDC, but it is approved and recognised by a UK awarding body.

Will the course help me to learn how to comprehensively treat cases that require minor oral surgery?

Yes. The course will allow successful graduates to deliver safe management for many cases that would otherwise not be possible with their current scope of competency. In addition, it will enhance the self-directed learning of GDP's enabling them to better deliver good oral surgery practice as well as more confidently manage challenges they may face.

Why should I invest in this course when it is possible to undertake a similar course from other universities?

This course has been designed by subject experts, in consultation with GDPs, to specifically address the needs and requirements of dentists working in general practice. It allows quick, well-supported implementation of the learned skills and knowledge as well as a quick return on investment.

Q6: What is the role of Glasgow Dental Academy Ltd.?

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