

Postgraduate Admissions Statement

MSc Dental Implantology

Programmes covered

Dental Implantology (MSc)

Applicants should also refer to the relevant prospectus entry for further programme details.

This admissions statement should be read in association with the [University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate Taught Programmes](#).

Faculty

Faculty of Health Sciences

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Admissions cycle

2017

Application process

Online application

Applicants should complete the online application form, uploading all required documents directly into the application form. Guidance on uploading documents can be found in the [How to Apply FAQs](#).

Applicants should make every effort to choose the correct programme in the application form by reading the prospectus entry and admissions statements fully. Applicants should contact the relevant Admissions Team if clarification is required.

Application Deadline

There is an application deadline for this programme, which is displayed on the individual programme page within the [University course finder](#).

Required documents

All documents must be translated into English. Degree certificates and transcripts should be certified copies and list subjects taken and grades/degrees achieved. If your degree is not yet complete, please provide transcripts of subjects taken and marks achieved to date. All documents must be uploaded into the online application form unless otherwise noted. Applicants who have already submitted an application can upload additional documents into the 'Post-submission uploads' section. You can find information about how to upload documents to your application form in our [How to Apply FAQs](#).

Required documents for this programme are:

- Two references, which may be professional and/or academic

- Degree certificate from your first degree (BDS degree or equivalent dental qualification). If the first degree is not relevant to the proposed area of study then subsequent qualification certificates may be requested
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- Personal statement
- English language certificates if English is not your native language and your undergraduate degree was not in an English-speaking country (please see the English Language Requirements for a list of English-speaking countries)
- GDC certificate
- Medico-legal indemnity insurance certificate
- A copy of the picture page of your passport
- Curriculum vitae (CV), research statement and research training statement are not required but can be submitted to assist your application

A research statement is not required for this programme.

Interviews

Applicants may be invited for interview to assess their suitability.

Correspondence with applicants

Applicants will normally receive communication via email to the email address used to set up their application form account. Applicants should ensure that this profile email address is kept up-to-date.

Admissions criteria

Academic entry requirements

The minimum entry requirements for the programme are:

1. BDS or equivalent United Kingdom General Dental Council registerable dental qualification
2. At least one year's demonstrable postgraduate clinical experience
3. Evidence of registration with the General Dental Council at the start of the programme
4. Acceptance of accredited prior (experiential/certified) Learning (AP(E/C)L) credit will be in line with the University's guidance. All cases will require prior approval by the Programme Director and Graduate Education Director. The maximum credit for which Recognised Prior Learning can be accepted is one third of a programme, ie 60 credit points APL for the 180 credit point Master's programme.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see our [International Office](#) website.

English language criteria for non-native English speakers

For applicants whose first language is not English, it is necessary to achieve a minimum score in an approved English language test specified in Profile B of the [University's English Language Requirements Policy](#).

You can find information about the University of Bristol's Pre-Sessional English courses at the [Centre for English Language and Foundation Studies website](#).

Reference criteria

Applicants should arrange for referees to provide electronic references, which can be submitted through the online application system. Non-electronic references should be on headed paper, with clear contact details and signed and dated by the person who wrote it. The two references can be academic or professional.

Personal statement criteria

Personal statements are assessed using the following criteria:

- Interest in and commitment to the subject
- Clear evidence of relevant reading or research into the subject area
- Attitude towards Continuing Professional Development
- Evidence of ability to articulate views coherently
- Appropriateness of the chosen programme in relation to the candidate's declared interests and aspirations
- Non-academic achievement and/or experience, or extra-curricular interests, positions of responsibility, voluntary or paid work

Interview Criteria

If an applicant is invited to interview, the interview will be conducted by the Programme Director and one other programme tutor.

Additional requirements

- Evidence of adequate medico-legal indemnity insurance in order to place dental implants at the start of the clinical component of the programme
- All necessary immunisations as required by the GDC (the University reserves the right to check these during registration)
- Basic computer skills.

This part-time programme does not meet government requirements for student visas.

Selection process and offers

Selection process

All applications are considered in accordance with the [University's policy on equality and diversity](#). The University of Bristol upholds the principles of equality and diversity, respect and dignity. Candidates are not discriminated against on the grounds of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexuality, religion or belief, disability, health or age.

All applications are processed as quickly and efficiently as possible. Wherever possible, all candidates are contacted by the University within four weeks of their application being received to establish contact and inform the candidate of the process to be followed. All applications will be considered by two members of staff and are considered on an equal basis. Admissions decisions will take into account the completed application form and supporting documentation including the two references. The applications are considered in relation to: the applicant's academic achievements; the applicant's interest, motivation and commitment to continuing professional development, particularly in relation to dental implantology, surgical dentistry and/or prosthodontics; the applicant's postgraduate clinical experience particularly in relation to dental implantology, surgical dentistry and/or prosthodontics; the applicant's interest and motivation specifically in relation to increasing their experience of dental implant treatment as described in the applicant's personal statement. Applications are considered in a competitive process between 1 March and 1 August in the year of the programme.

Decisions

Applicants will be notified by email when a decision has been made and decision letters will be available to view and print by logging into their application.

Once the application has been considered, an admissions decision will be made and the reasons for the decision will be recorded. The faculty office will contact the applicant on behalf of the University. All successful applicants are admitted to the MSc in the first instance and can choose to exit the programme at certificate or

diploma level. Offers may be made with or without conditions attached. The level of a conditional offer will be in line with the programme requirements and will not deviate substantially from these.

Where possible, applicants are required to confirm their acceptance of an offer within four weeks of receiving notification of the offer from the faculty. Where a conditional offer is made, applicants are expected to provide the University with evidence that any offer conditions have been met.

The University does not guarantee to hold open places for offer-holders who have not confirmed their acceptance.

Deferrals

Deferred entry to the programme is not usually available.

Deposits

A deposit is not required for this programme.

ATAS

An ATAS certificate is not required.