

**Postgraduate Specialization Course in Pediatric Dentistry.
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By resolution of the Scientific Council of the Lisbon Dental School, at its meeting on April 6, 2016, the regulation and the study plan of the Postgraduate Course are changed. Postgraduate Specialization in Pediatric Dentistry, created by Dispatch No. 3821/2013, published in the Republic Diary, 2nd series, No. 50, of March 12, 2013.

REGULATION OF THE POSTGRADUATE SPECIALIZATION COURSE IN PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

Article 1.º

Scope of application

1. This regulation applies to the Postgraduate Course of Specialization in Pediatric Dentistry, non-degree course of School of Dental Medicine, University of Lisbon, below designated by Course.

Article 2.º

Course Objectives

1. Pediatric Dentistry is a specialty area of medicine dental care that includes the prevention and treatment of diseases of the oral cavity and teeth of children, from birth to the end of the adolescence, with the objective of promoting and maintaining an optimal state of oral health. Its field of action also includes the treatment of people with physically, mental or emotional special needs.

2. The Postgraduate Specialization Course in Pediatric Dentistry is a full-time course with the objective of specialize the health professionals, enabling them to approach the integral treatment needs of the previously identified population. The program of this course follows the rules outlined by most specialty

associations of Pediatric Dentistry, as the European and North American ones, so that it is possible to obtain its international acceptance.

3. The course aims to:

- a) To form and training professionals with specific skills in dental medical treatment of children, adolescents and patients with special needs, witch allows to perform the specialty with a high professional ethics standards;
- b) To assure the knowledge to understand the scientific and clinical fundaments of Pediatric Dentistry;
- c) To transmit the knowledge of the scientific literature, the classic as well as the contemporaneous literature, in the vast area of Pediatric Dentistry;
- d) To train professionals with the ability to understand and identify pre-existing conditions and planning the treatment of the patients;
- e) To form professionals with the capacity to participate in the realization or carry out scientific research in areas of basic or clinical sciences related to Pediatric Dentistry;
- f) To form professionals eligible to be part of multidisciplinary professional teams focused on the well-being of children;
- g) To stimulate and motivate the students for the need of the continuous research and formation throughout life.

Article 3.º

Course Coordination

1. The course is coordinated by a Coordinating Council constituted by two to four professors from the Faculty of Dental Medicine of the University of Lisbon.
2. The President of the Coordinating Council is nominee by the Scientific Council.
3. The remaining members are also nominee by the Scientific Council, by proposal of the President of the Coordinating Council.
4. The duties of the Coordinating Council are:
 - a) Proceed to the selection of the candidates;
 - b) Propose the number of vacancies to be fixed and the deadline for candidacy and registration;
 - c) Coordinate the teaching of the curricular units contained in the study plan and proceed the respective evaluation;
 - d) Propose modifications in the present regulation.
5. The attributions of the President of the Coordinating Council are:
 - a) Represent the Coordinating Council;

- b) To convoke and to preside over a meeting of the Coordinator Council, with a quality vote;
- c) To perform the attributions of the Coordinating Council, in urgent cases;
- d) To ensure the regularity of deliberations

Article 4.º

Allocation of the number of vacancies

- 1. The Scientific Council of the Faculty of Dental Medicine sets the number of annual vacancies, upon proposal of the Coordinating Council
- 2. The course cannot be performed with a number of enrollments less than two.

Article 5.º

Application deadlines

Deadline for submission of applications, registrations, and enrollment in the course will be fixed, each year, by the Scientific Council, under the proposal of the Coordinating Council.

Article 6.º

Registration and enrollment fees

The registration and enrollment fees are fixed annually by the Faculty Director of the School of Dental Medicine, University of Lisbon.

Article 7.º

Application and registration conditions

- 1. Can apply for the Course:
 - a) Titular of a licentiate degree or a master's degree in dentistry;
 - b) Titular of a foreign higher academic degree that is recognized by the Scientific Council as to carry out the objectives of one of the grades referred to in the previous subparagraph, for the purpose of continuing studies.
- 2. The recognition referred to in subparagraph *b)* of number one of this article is determinant only for the access to the Course and does not assure equivalence to the licentiate degree or master's degree in

dentistry, neither the academic recognition of these degrees.

3. Candidates must attach the following documents to the application form:
 - a) Certificate attesting one of the degrees referred to in number one of this article;
 - b) *Curriculum Vitae*;
 - c) Letter of recommendation or letter of motivation.

Article 8.º

Selection Criteria

1. The selection of candidates will be ensured by the Coordinating Council through curricular assessment, complemented by a written test and/or a practice evaluation, if they are necessary, and by carrying out an interview.
2. Results will be published in order to allow enrollment and registration of selected candidates within the deadlines defined by the Scientific Council.

Article 9.º

Operating conditions and evaluations

1. The Course is organized by the ECTS curricular credit system (*European Credit Transfer System*).
2. The course has a normal duration of six semesters on a regular full-time basis.
3. The total number of credits required to complete the Course is 180 ECTS.
4. Course approval is expressed in the range 10 to 20 of the scale integer number from 0 to 20, as well as its equivalent on the European ranking comparability scale.
5. The final classification of the Course is the average calculated to the nearest hundredths and rounded to the nearest units, of the classifications obtained in the curricular units that integrate it, weighted by the respective number of credit units.
6. The final classifications may be associated with the mentions qualitative scores of "Excellent" (18 to 20 values), "Very Good" (16 and 17 values), "Good" (14 and 15 values), "Sufficient" (10 to 13 values), "Reproved" (inferior to 10 values).

Article 10.º

Curriculum Structure and Study Plan

1. The Course integrates seminars, clinical activity, support activities to teaching and scientific activity.

2. The curriculum structure and study plan are set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 11.º
University Diploma

1. Approval in the Course is attested by a registration certificate designated as Diploma, pursuant to the Decree-Law No. 115/2013 of August 7th.
2. The diploma is accompanied by the corresponding diploma supplement and is issued by the School of Dental Medicine at the University of Lisbon within a maximum period of 90 days after its formal request.

Article 12.º
Final Dispositions

1. In everything that this regulation is omitted, it is applicable the provisions of the Decree-Law no. 115/2003, of August 7th, as well as in the Study Regulation of Postgraduate Studies at the University of Lisbon.
2. The present regulation comes into force after its publication in the *Diário da República*, applying from the academic year of 2016 -2017.
3. The present regulation may be revised at any time at the proposal of the Coordinating Council.

ANNEX I

Curricular structure

- 1 - Predominant scientific area of the study plan: Preventive and Conservative Dental Sciences
- 2 - Number of credits required to complete the course, according to the European credit transfer and accumulation system: 180
- 3 - Normal duration of the study cycle: six semesters
- 4 - Scientific areas and credits that must be obtained to obtain the diploma:

Scientific Area	Abbreviation	Credits	
		Mandatory	Optional
Preventive and Conservative Dental Sciences	CDPC	158	--
Morphofunctional and Pathological Sciences	CMFP	9	--
Social Sciences, Humanities and Education	CSHE	7	--
Oral Rehabilitation Sciences	CRO	4	--
Surgical-Medical Sciences	CMC	2	--
<i>Total.....</i>		180	--

Study Plan

1st Semester

Curricular Units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working Time (hours)		Credits (6)	Comments (7)
			Total (4)	Contact (5)		
Anatomy of the Head and Neck	CMFP	Semester	84	24 -- T:15; S:9	3	
Pediatric Dentistry Seminars	CDPC	Semester	112	72 -- T:22; S:50	4	
Evidence Based Dental Medicine	CDPC	Semester	56	15 -- T:15	2	
Epidemiology	CDPC	Semester	56	15 -- T:15	2	
Bioethics' and Deontology	CSHE	Semester	28	5 -- T:5	1	
Pediatric Dentistry I	CDPC	Semester	196	88 -- T:38; S:50	7	
Clinical Pediatric Dentistry I	CDPC	Semester	308	288 -- P:288	11	
Total			840	507	30	

2nd Semester

Curricular Units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working Time (hours)		Credits (6)	Comments (7)
			Total (4)	Contact (5)		
Investigation Seminars	CDPC	Semester	28	5 -- S:5	1	
Biostatistics	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:18; P:6	2	
Cell and Molecular Biology	CMFP	Semester	56	24 -- T:12; S:12	2	
Interdisciplinary Seminars	CDPC	Semester	84	48 -- T:22; S:26	3	
Research Methodology	CDPC	Semester	84	36 -- T:24; P:12	3	
Pediatric Dentistry II	CDPC	Semester	224	88 -- T:38; S:50	8	
Clinical Pediatric Dentistry II	CDPC	Semester	308	288 -- P:288	11	
Total			840	513	30	

3rd Semester

Curricular Units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working Time (hours)		Credits (6)	Comments (7)
			Total (4)	Contact (5)		
Embryology	CMFP	Semester	56	24 -- T:12; S:12	2	
Oro-Maxillo-Facial Imagiology	CMC	Semester	56	24 -- T:10; P:14	2	
Literature Review II	CMFP	Semester	56	24 -- T:10; S:14	3	
Treatment Plan and Clinical Cases Discussion II	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:10; S:14	2	
Pediatric Dentistry III	CDPC	Semester	196	72 -- T:22; S:50	7	
Interdisciplinary Seminars	CDPC	Semester	84	48 -- T:22; S:26	3	
Clinical Pediatric Dentistry III	CDPC	Semester	308	288 -- P:288	11	
Total			840	504	30	

4th Semester

Curricular Units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working Time (hours)		Credits (6)	Comments (7)
			Total (4)	Contact (5)		
Interdisciplinary Seminars	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:12; S:12	2	
Psychology of the Child and Adolescent	CSHE	Semester	112	48 -- T:24; S:24	4	
Biomaterials in Pediatric Dentistry	CRO	Semester	112	48 -- T:24; P:24	4	
Research Project I	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:10; S:14	2	
Pediatric Dentistry IV	CDPC	Semester	196	72 -- T:22; S:50	7	
Clinical Pediatric Dentistry IV	CDPC	Semester	308	288 -- P:288	11	
Total			840	504	30	

5th Semester

Curricular Units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working Time (hours)		Credits (6)	Comments (7)
			Total (4)	Contact (5)		
Interdisciplinary Seminars	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:12; S:12	2	
Treatment Plan and Clinical Cases Discussion III	CDPC	Semester	84	48 -- S:48	3	
Literature Review III	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:10; S:14	2	
Research Project II	CDPC	Semester	140	48 -- P:48	5	
Pediatric Dentistry V	CDPC	Semester	196	72 -- T:22; S:50	7	
Clinical Pediatric Dentistry V	CDPC	Semester	308	288 -- P:288	11	
Total			840	504	30	

6th Semester

Curricular Units (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working Time (hours)		Credits (6)	Comments (7)
			Total (4)	Contact (5)		
Molecular and Human Genetics	CMFP	Semester	56	24 -- T:15; S:9	2	
Deontology, Office Management and Administration	CSHE	Semester	56	24 -- T:15; S:9	2	
Interdisciplinary Seminars	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- T:12; S:12	2	
Treatment Plan and Clinical Cases Discussion IV	CDPC	Semester	56	24 -- S:24	2	
Research Project III	CDPC	Semester	112	48 -- P:48	4	
Pediatric Dentistry VI	CDPC	Semester	196	72 -- T:22; S:50	7	
Clinical Pediatric Dentistry VI	CDPC	Semester	308	288 -- P:288	11	
Total			840	504	30	

Legenda:

(1) Description of the curricular unit.

(2) Abbreviation according to the curricular structure table

(3) Type of the curricular unit (annual, semester or trimester).

(4) At the University of Lisbon the total hours are equal to the sum of credits multiplied by 28.

(5) Number of total hours in each type (T – Theoretical; TP – theoretical and practical; PL – practical and laboratory; TC – Field work; S – seminar; E – internship; OT – tutorial guidance; O – others).

(6) Number of credits attributed

(7) Should indicate if it is optional