

# **Postgraduate Program in General Dental Practice**

## **Article 1**

### **Scope of application**

The present regulation applies to the Postgraduate Course in General Dental Practice, a non-degree course of the Dentistry School of the University of Lisbon, hereinafter referred to as Course.

## **Article 2**

### **Aims and objectives**

The general dental practice consists in monitoring the patient in a global and integrated way, considering the different areas of Dentistry. Its practical exercise should encompass the logical and guided interconnection of knowledge and skills acquired in its various areas, having as its scope of action the integration of medical-dental training in favor of the prevention and treatment of diseases of the oral cavity.

1. The Course aims to provide:

- a) The improvement of the general clinical practice of students in the medical and dental treatment of patients, intending an integration of skills acquired in the various areas of Dentistry, under an environment tutored by teachers of the Course.
- b) Advanced training of professionals with skills for planning, discussing, and solving clinical cases of different complexities, promoting the evolution and maturation of their professional experience.
- c) Promoting the necessary knowledge to a scientific and clinical understanding of the various areas of medical and dental work, developing a multidisciplinary analysis of the oral health diseases prevention and treatment.
- d) Training for clinical practice based on scientific evidence and for self-learning through professional life.

## **Article 3**

### **Course Coordination**

1. The Course is coordinated by a Coordinating Council, chosen by the Scientific Council of the Faculdade de Medicina Dentária da Universidade de Lisboa, and constituted with professors from this institution.
2. The Coordinating Council has a president, elected from among and by its members.
3. The duties of the Coordinating Council are:
  - a) Proceed with the selection of candidates;
  - b) Propose the number of vacancies to be fixed and the application, enrollment and deadlines;

- c) Coordinate the teaching of the curricular units included in the study plan and the respective assessment;
  - d) Propose amendments to the present regulation;
4. The duties of the President of the Coordinating Council are:
- a) Represent the Coordinating Council;
  - b) Convene and chair, with the casting vote, the meetings of the Coordinating Council;
  - c) Exercise the duties of the Coordinating Council in urgent cases;
  - d) Ensure the regularity of deliberations.

#### **Article 4**

##### **Number of vacancies**

1. The Scientific Council of the Faculdade de Medicina Dentária da Universidade de Lisboa sets the number of vacancies per year, as proposed by the Course Coordinating Council.
2. The Course cannot work with less than two students.

#### **Article 5**

##### **Deadlines**

1. The deadline for the submission of applications, registration and enrollment will be fixed by the Postgraduate Studies Commission, under proposal of the Coordinating Council.

#### **Article 6**

##### **Tuition fees**

1. Registration and tuition fees are set annually by the Director of the Faculdade de Medicina Dentária da Universidade de Lisboa.
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#### **Article 7**

##### **Registration conditions**

1. Can apply for the Course:
  - a) Holders of a Master's degree in Dental Medicine or a higher course considered equivalent for the purposes of further studies.
2. Candidates must submit the following documents to the application form:
  - a) Certificate proving one of the degrees referred to in paragraph 1;
  - b) Curriculum Vitae.

#### **Article 8**

### **Selection Criteria**

1. The selection of candidates will be made by the Coordinating Council through curricular appraisal, complemented by a written test and/or a practical test, if they are considered necessary, and by carrying out an interview with the candidate.
2. The academic, scientific, and professional training of the candidates will be considered in the curricular appraisal.
3. During the interview, the candidates' motivations, scientific knowledge, and availability to dedicate themselves to the Course will be assessed.
4. The results will be published to allow the registration and enrollment of the selected candidates within the deadlines defined by the Postgraduate Studies Commission.

### **Article 9**

#### **Organization and Assessment**

1. The Course is organized by the ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) curricular credit system.
2. The course has a normal duration of 2 semesters, on a part-time basis.
3. The total number of credits required to complete the Course is 40 ECTS.
4. Course approval is expressed in the range 10-20 of the full scale from 0 to 20, as well as in its equivalent in the European scale of comparability of ratings.
4. The final classification of the Course is the mean, weighted by the respective number of credit units, of the classifications obtained in the curricular units.
5. Qualitative mentions of Excellent (18 to 20), Very Good (16 and 17), Good (14 and 15), Sufficient (10 to 13) and Fail (less than 10) may be associated with the final classification's values.

### **Article 10**

#### **Curriculum structure and study plan**

1. The Course integrates seminars, clinical practice, and scientific activities.
2. The curricular structure and the study plan are included in Annex I.

### **Article 11**

#### **Diploma**

1. Approval in the Course is attested by a certificate of registration called Diploma, under the terms of Decree-Law no. 115/2013 of Faculdade de Medicina Dentária da Universidade de Lisboa, within a maximum period of 90 days, after its request by the interested party.

## **Article 12**

### **Final dispositions**

1. In all that this regulation is omitted, the provisions of Decree-Law no. 115/2013 (7th August 2013) and in the Regulation of Postgraduate Studies of the University of Lisbon.
2. The present regulation may be revised at any time by proposal of the Coordinating Council.

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## ANNEX I

### Curricular structure

- 1 - Predominant scientific area of the study cycle: Dentistry
- 2 - Number of credits, according to the European credit transfer and accumulation system, required to complete the course:40
- 3 - Normal duration of the study cycle: 2 semesters
- 4 - Scientific areas and credits that must be gathered to obtain the diploma:

SCIENTIFIC AREA	INITIALS	CREDITS	
		REQUIRED	OPTIONAL
Dentistry	Dent	40	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>

### Study Plan

#### 1.st year

CURRICULUM UNITS	SCIENTIFIC AREA	TYPE	WORKING TIME (HOURS)		CREDITS
			TOTAL	CONTACT HOURS	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
General Dental Practice I	Dent	Semestral	448	246 - PL:240; S:6	16
General Dental Practice II	Dent	Semestral	448	246 - PL:240; S:6	16
Seminários de Especialidades Médico-Dentárias	Dent	Anual	224	120 - S:120	8
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1120</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>40</b>

(1) Designation of the Curricular Unit.

(2) Indicate the abbreviation in the Curricular Structure Chart.

(3) Indicate the type of Curricular Unit (annual, semester or quarter).

(4) At UL, total hours are equal to the number of credits multiplied by 28.

(5) Indicate for each type: (T - theoretical teaching; TP - theoretical-practical; PL - practical and laboratory; TC - fieldwork; S - seminar; E - internship; OT - tutorial guidance; O - others) o number of total hours (eg T - 15; PL: 30).

(6) Number of credits

