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## SCOPE

The admission policy is based on the guidelines of Malaysian Dental Council (MDC) (Minimum qualification for entry into dental program as per the document available on the MDC website)

## POLICY GUIDELINE

The criteria for selection to the dental degree program is only based on the above policy. The aim is to select students who have the right aptitude, and willingness to pursue a career in dentistry.

The application made to PIDC must fulfill the following criteria:

### Academic Criteria

All applicants who enter a matriculation, foundation or pre-dental programme, except those with a degree qualification in arts or humanities, shall have passed and attained a minimum of the following at School Certificate level or its equivalent:

Examinations	Requirements
Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM)	5 Bs each in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology, and</li> <li>• Chemistry, and</li> <li>• Physics, and</li> <li>• Mathematics/ Additional Mathematics: and</li> <li>• Another subject (except art/ KSI) <i>(KSI referring to the subjects of Kemanusiaan &amp; Sastera Ikthisas)</i></li> </ul>

General Certificate of Education Ordinary (“O”) levels	5 Bs each in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology, and</li> <li>• Chemistry, and</li> <li>• Physics, and</li> <li>• Mathematics/ Additional Mathematics and</li> <li>• Another subject (except art/ KSI)</li> </ul>
Unified Examination Certificate (UEC)	B4 each in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology, and</li> <li>• Chemistry, and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics/ Additional Mathematics</li> </ul>

All applicants, except those with a degree qualification in sciences, arts or humanities, shall have passed and attained a minimum of the following at:

**a. Higher School Certificate level or its equivalent:**

Examinations	Requirements
Sijil Tinggi Pelajaran Malaysia (STPM)	Grades BBB, ABC or AAC in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul>
General Certificate of Education Advanced (“A”) levels	Grades BBB, ABC or AAC in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul>

**Or**

**b. Matriculation, foundation or pre-medical program or its equivalent:**

<b>Examinations</b>	<b>Requirements</b>
Matriculation or Foundation in Science or Pre- Medical course	CGPA 3.0 (out of 4) in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul> <b>and</b> Provided the course is not less than 1 year in the same institution
United Education Certificate (UEC)	B4 each in 5 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics; and</li> <li>• Mathematics; and</li> <li>• Advanced Mathematics</li> </ul>
Monash University Foundation Pre University Program (MUFY) or University of New South Wales (UNSW) Foundation Or Western Australia Curriculum Council or HSC Sydney Australia or Trinity College Foundation Studies or Australian Universities Foundation Programmes or South Australian Matriculation (SAM) or	Aggregate or average of 80% or the equivalent of B in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul> <b>or</b> 80% ATAR provided the subjects include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul>

Victorian Certificate of Education, Australia Year 12 or equivalent	
National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3 or New Zealand Bursary	Average of 80% in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul>
Canadian Pre-University (CPU) or Canadian International Matriculation Program (CIMP / Canadian Grade 12/13	Average of 80% in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul>
Indian Pre-university	Average of 70% in 3 subjects i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul>
International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme	A minimum of 30 points overall <b>and</b> attained a minimum score of 5 each in 3 of the following subjects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology; and</li> <li>• Chemistry; and</li> <li>• Physics or Mathematics</li> </ul> with a minimum of 2 at Higher Level (HL) and 1 at Standard Level

**Or**

c. Diploma level

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<p>Diploma in Health Sciences or equivalent</p>	<p>CGPA 3.0 (out of 4) <b>and</b> Provided the course is not less than 5 semesters or 2 1/2 years in the same institution <b>and</b> At SPM/Olevel or its equivalent: Minimum 2 Bs in any 2 subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology and/or,</li> <li>• Chemistry and/ or,</li> <li>• Physics</li> </ul> <p><b>and</b> Credits in 3 subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English; and</li> <li>• Mathematics or Additional Mathematics; And</li> <li>• Another subject</li> </ul>
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Or

d. Degree level

Examinations	Requirements
<p>Degree in Medical Sciences (MBBS or Equivalent)</p>	<p>CGPA 3.0 (out of 4) and:  Pass a bridging course at a year 2 level before entering to year 3  Note: The candidate can be exempted for the first year (direct entry to second year) and can also be given exemption for other relevant courses (e.g. Basic Medical Science and General Surgery and General Medicine)</p>
<p>Degree in Sciences/ Life Sciences</p>	<p>CGPA 3.0 (out of 4)</p>
<p>Degree in Arts or Humanities</p>	<p>CGPA 4.0 (out of 4)</p>

- All applicants shall have attained a level of competence in English to enable them to complete the course successfully.
- Applicants shall be required to pass an interview
- Graduates seeking employment in the government need credit in Bahasa Malaysia at SPM level
- For qualifications not listed in this document, equivalence assessment of the qualification shall be obtained from the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA)
- Clarifications shall be sought for the Malaysian Dental Council (MDC) in situations for which there is no provision in this document.

### **Medical fitness**

As a prerequisite, it is required of applicants to demonstrate medical fitness to practice in order to comply with the requirements of the relevant professional bodies, as outlined by the Malaysian Dental Council (MDC) 2023. Once selected, the applicants will be informed of other conditions (if applicable). All students applying for the DDS programme in PIDC should be vaccinated for Hepatitis B. Individuals who are positive for HIV or Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C shall not be admitted to the dental programme.

### **Professional and Personal conduct**

- The practice of Dentistry requires the highest standards of professional and personal conduct as well as professional competence.
- All applicants shall declare if they have been found guilty of any criminal offence(s), serious physical or mental illness and/or serious communicable disease(s) which may impact their future practice.
- Failure to declare information that has a material influence on a student's fitness to practise may lead to termination of their dental course, as honesty, integrity and good health are essential attributes of a dental practitioner and by extension, the dental student.

## Mechanism of selection and admission

- Marketing and promotion center - Collection of Enquires and creating databases.
- Collection of Enquiry forms from students.
- Check eligibility as per admission requirements. If a student has minimum eligible requirements, application forms are released.
- Student submits application forms along with application fee and certified copies of the student's particulars and academic qualifications.
- If a student qualifies on all requirements, application is recommended to the admission committee and an online/ telephonic interview is conducted by a member of the faculty.
- Upon clearance from the committee, an offer letter is released.
- Students are required to accept the terms and conditions of the offer letter.
- Confirmation Letter is released upon fulfilling all the norms as indicated in the offer letter.

## Appeal

- Students who do not meet MDC's minimum academic entry requirements are not allowed to pursue the DDS programme. No appeal is allowed for them.
- Students who meet the minimum academic entry requirement but are not successful in their application due to rejection at interview stage may submit an appeal by writing to PIDC.

## Approvals

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# ADMISSION POLICY

