Designed for practising dentists, this part-time programme will enable you to develop the skills needed to deliver high quality, modern orthodontics and to understand its use in primary care dental practice. The programme’s flexible, modular structure allows you to develop these skills over a period suited to your own needs and circumstances.

You will be trained by recognised specialists in the field of orthodontics and will receive hands-on experience in case assessment, diagnosis and treatment planning, enabling you to deliver evidence-based patient care. The course will also enhance your professional development, enabling you to think creatively and independently, to solve problems and exercise knowledge-based judgement, and to communicate effectively with patients and colleagues.

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Who is the course for
This course is for practising dentists who wish to develop their skills in orthodontics, while continuing with their current clinical commitments.

Benefits
Warwick Medical School pays particular attention to the professional development needs of practitioners. Masters programmes are organised so as to provide a flexible education pathway taken over a number of years to suit individual requirements and to take account of professional commitments.

This is reflected in the structure of the Orthodontics MSc. Taken over a period of three to eight years and based on modular learning, it offers you the opportunity to progress from Certificate to Diploma to full Masters qualification in orthodontics: you can develop your knowledge and skills alongside your own clinical responsibilities. You will be taught by experts in the field of orthodontics, with vast experience in all clinical treatment modalities, who are also experienced and active practitioners, able to understand both your professional needs and your time constraints.

The programme focuses on hands-on learning, with the opportunity to interact with patients under your tutor’s supervision. You will participate in practical training workshops, held in the University’s specialised Orthodontic Training Centre in Royal Leamington Spa: facilities include an education suite, a state-of-the-art clinical skills laboratory with video and camera link to a surgery, enabling hands-on style demonstrations of clinical procedures and a fully equipped orthodontic laboratory with specialised technical support.

"The most forward-thinking and well-taught course I have experienced. I can’t recommend it highly enough."
Adrian Bennett, Orthodontics student
Course content

Core modules include:

Certificate Stage: At Certificate level, you will study one module: Principles of Orthodontic Dentistry. This includes the theory of the principles of orthodontic dentistry, applying anatomical and physiological principles to orthodontics, acquisition of practical orthodontic skills, critical analysis of scientific papers and communication skills.

Diploma Stage: At the Diploma stage, you will study the Clinical Practice in Orthodontic Dentistry module. This develops your understanding of, and ability to apply, the assessment, diagnostic and treatment planning skills essential to the successful management of orthodontic cases; you will carry out orthodontic treatment under the guidance of tutors.

MSc Stage: At MSc level, you will study the Multidisciplinary Treatment and Orthodontic Force Systems module. This develops your knowledge and understanding of multidisciplinary and orthodontic mechanics and treatment systems and how orthodontics interacts with other dental specialties. You will also complete a Professional Project (e.g. a review of research literature, clinical audits or an evaluation of evidence-based service development).

Entry Requirements

You must hold a licence to practise dentistry (BDS or LDS or international equivalent); be a current member of the General Dental Council (or international equivalent); have your own indemnity insurance for practising dentistry and normally have completed two years in practice.

You also need to supply two academic references.

For English language requirements and details of how to apply, please visit our website.

Mode of Study and Assessment

You will be taught through lectures, discussion groups, hands-on practical workshops and clinical observation sessions and will receive on-going tutor support.

Certificate Stage: A two-day Welcome and Induction Programme, ten study days approximately once a month across the academic year. Assessment: four written assignments, each of 4,000 words (three of them clinical case-based).

Diploma Stage: Three study days, plus a minimum of three clinical observations across the academic year. Assessment: a portfolio of ten clinical cases plus an OSCE and oral examination.

MSc Stage: Four workshops (seven days in total) across the academic year. Assessment: submission of a Professional Project (8,000-10,000 words) and a written assignment of 4,000 words.

“Warwick’s MSc in Orthodontics is the perfect course for the GDP seeking to develop his/her special interest in Orthodontics. I found it easily compatible with full time practice and I have felt extremely supported all the way through from my very first cases until now!

Maria Lopez Casas, Orthodontics, 2014

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