Graduate Diploma of Orthodontics

Ready today for tomorrow
Why JCU?

A STUDENT EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

• Access to world-class teachers
• Develop skills in state-of-the-art facilities
• Achieve exceptional employment outcomes
  • Benefit from small class sizes
  • Connect with professional networks
• Support through scholarships for merit and equity
  • Discover great accommodation options

BE THE WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

Make an impact in rural and remote health. JCU Dentistry students learn while improving oral health care in underserved communities.

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES

Practice on real patients – experience learning in the JCU Dental Clinic and JCU Orthodontic Clinic. Use the latest in advanced technology to provide comprehensive diagnosis and treatment.

ACCESS EXPERTISE

Join supportive learning environments with access to JCU’s leading lecturers. Learn in small classes and connect with leading experts in dentistry and orthodontics.

FLEXIBLE STUDY

Study from anywhere in Australia, with online delivery and intensive blocks at JCU Cairns. A blended study mode of online delivery with intensive blocks on campus provides flexible study options for busy dentists.
Graduate Diploma of Orthodontics

The Graduate Diploma of Orthodontics provides the skills and knowledge to identify, treat and care for patients requiring orthodontic treatment. The course covers diagnosis, treatment planning, bonding of fixed appliances and issue of retainers, and critical analysis and application of orthodontic literature.

- Develop skills and knowledge that enable you to undertake clinical diagnosis and treatment for patients who require orthodontic treatment. When you graduate, you’ll be able to offer an enhanced scope of care in a field of dentistry that is experiencing significant demand.

- Enhance your theoretical knowledge and practical clinical experience of diagnosis and treatment planning. You will be able to perform successful and predictable treatment on patients and keep up with cutting-edge technological advancements in the industry.

### COURSE DETAILS:

- **Locations:** Cairns
- **Commencing:** July
- **Duration:** 2 years part-time
- **Prerequisites:** AQF level 7 bachelor degree in dentistry completed more than 2 years before application

View the handbook for a detailed overview of available subjects, including pre-placement requirements.

Note: Information is for domestic students only
Committed to student success

Study part-time from anywhere in Australia. A blended learning approach has been specially designed for busy dental practitioners. A combination of online learning with block intensives at JCU Cairns provides flexibility, which allows you to continue to run your dental practice while studying.

Learn from highly experienced professionals who are experts in their field and have contributed significantly to orthodontic literature and published research of international standing. You’ll be fully supervised in the course and provided with support and guidance by friendly and passionate educators to help you succeed.

Gain plenty of hands-on experience in JCU’s world-class dental clinics. When you graduate, you’ll be well equipped with the confidence and skills to provide treatment in regional, rural and remote areas.
“I chose JCU’s Graduate Diploma of Orthodontics because it has the academic component where we learn how to diagnose and plan treatments. It also has a practical component where we get to treat patients in the JCU clinic. They also teach us how to put the knowledge we’ve gained into everyday practice. The experience has been great. We have been able to see a wide range of patients and have been able to use a wide range of treatment modalities. We’re lucky to have teachers with a lot of international research experience to support us with our work. The course offers experienced teachers and practical, relevant content with the flexibility we need. By the time I finish I’ll have the knowledge and skills to improve the smiles and build the self-esteem of my patients.”

Dr Peggy Fischer
GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF ORTHODONTICS
Career Opportunities

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“I am proud to make a difference in postgraduate orthodontic education. At JCU, evidence-based orthodontics is seamlessly integrated into your clinical training. Theoretical content is delivered 100% online. You will critically appraise orthodontic literature and apply this knowledge in making informed treatment decisions. There is plenty of hands-on clinical experience, involving both fixed orthodontic treatment with braces, TADs, functional appliances and clear aligner techniques. You will learn when to treat and when to refer. You will see the positive changes we can achieve for patients and how the effect this has on their lives is hugely rewarding.”

Dr Carmen Karadeniz
COURSE COORDINATOR
“JCU is one of the top dental schools in the country. Its teachers and professors are world renowned. The Graduate Diploma of Orthodontics and Graduate Diploma of Implantology are a great mix of online theory and supervised clinical experience. A lot of the other courses are very short. You study for five days or so, do an exam and then you’re left to treat patients. JCU is not like that. We get all the knowledge, skills and experience that we need so when we go back to our practices we can treat patients properly. It’s about being better clinicians.”

Dr Ameen Al-Yousef
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