



Fellowship in Advanced Prosthodontics

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Department of Prosthetic Dentistry
College of Dentistry, King Khalid University
Al-Qara Campus, Abha, Saudi Arabia

As a trainee in the Fellowship in Advanced Prosthodontics at the King Khalid University College of Dentistry, you will gain the knowledge, clinical proficiency, and research skills needed to diagnose, plan treatment, and provide comprehensive Prosthodontics care for patients using an evidence-based, multidisciplinary approach. During this three-year program, you will receive extensive didactic, clinical, and laboratory training in:

Fixed and removable prosthodontics

Esthetic dentistry and full-mouth rehabilitation

Implant dentistry and implant-supported restorations

Digital CAD/CAM dentistry, 3D printing, and intraoral scanning

Maxillofacial prosthetics

Occlusion and the management of TMD/TMJ disorders

Geriatric and medically compromised patient care

You will hone your skills in state-of-the-art clinical and laboratory facilities at the College of Dentistry, with access to advanced technology including intraoral and laboratory scanners, CAD/CAM design software, dental milling machines, 3D printers, CBCT imaging, and a fully equipped production laboratory.



◀ About the Program

◀ Mission

To develop advanced clinical, academic, and research skills in advanced dental prosthetics — enabling graduates to provide evidence-based, high-quality care, contribute to scientific research, and assume leadership roles in clinical practice and dental education, with particular emphasis on advanced prosthodontics.

◀ Program at a Glance

Qualification Level	Doctorate – Level 9 (Saudi Health Fellowship / الزمالة الصحية)
Duration	3 years (6 semesters)
Total Credit Hours	126
Mode of Study	On-campus, full-time
Location	College of Dentistry, Al-Qara Campus, King Khalid University, Abha
Awarded Title	Fellowship Certificate in Advanced Prosthodontics
Career Pathway	Prosthodontist (Senior Registrar)



Curriculum Structure

The 126 credit-hour curriculum integrates basic science, didactic teaching, specialty clinical training, and a research project with strong emphasis on direct clinical practice (a minimum of 60% of total training hours).

Component	Credit Hours	% of program
Basic Sciences (Anatomy, Pathology, Biology, Radiology, Microbiology)	5	4%
Didactic Courses (Research Methods, Education, Biostatistics, Biomaterials, Therapeutics)	12	10%
Prosthodontics Didactic Courses (Fixed, Removable, Complete Denture, Occlusion, Maxillofacial, Basic Techniques)	30	24%
Clinical Training (Advanced Prosthodontics Clinics (1-6))	64	51%
Implantology Courses	2	2%
Research Project (4 levels)	4	3%
Practical Teaching	2	2%
Directed Study	2	2%
Total	121	100%

Curriculum

Trainees must complete the courses listed below across the six semesters of the three-year program. The plan integrates didactic seminars, classic and current literature reviews, laboratory training, clinical practice, and a longitudinal research project.



Year 1 — Semester 1 (Level 1)

Course Title	Credit Hours
Research Methods and Scientific Writing	1
Interdisciplinary Seminar 1	1
Book Review Seminar in Prosthodontics 1	2
Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	1
Applied Head and Neck Anatomy	1
Basic Prosthodontics Techniques	6
Complete Denture Prosthodontics	1
Advanced Oral Biology	1
Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology	1
Advanced Prosthodontics Clinic 1	6
Total credit hours	21

Year 1 — Semester 2 (Level 2)

Course Title	Credit Hours
Interdisciplinary Seminar 2	1
Education Methods	1
Book Review Seminar in Prosthodontics 2	2
Classic Literature Review in Prosthodontics 1	2
Case Presentation Seminar in Prosthodontics 1	1
Advanced Dental Therapeutics	1
Biostatistics in Dental Sciences	1
Removable Partial Prosthodontics	1
Applied Dental Biomaterials	1
Fixed Prosthodontics 1	1
Advanced Oral Microbiology and Immunology	1
Advanced Prosthodontics Clinic 2	10
Total credit hours	23



Year 2 — Semester 1 (Level 3)

Course Title	Credit Hours
Interdisciplinary Seminar 3	1
Classic Literature Review in Prosthodontics 2	2
Current Literature Review in Prosthodontics 1	2
Case Presentation Seminar in Prosthodontics 2	1
Fixed Prosthodontics 2	1
Occlusion and Temporomandibular Joint Disorders	1
Advanced Prosthodontics Clinic 3	12
Research Project in Prosthodontics 1	1
Implantology 1	1
Total credit hours	22

Year 2 — Semester 2 (Level 4)

Course Title	Credit Hours
Interdisciplinary Seminar 4	1
Classic Literature Review in Prosthodontics 3	1
Current Literature Review in Prosthodontics 2	1
Case Presentation Seminar in Prosthodontics 3	1
Advanced Prosthodontics Clinic 4	1
Research Project in Prosthodontics 2	2
Implantology 2	8
Maxillofacial Prosthodontics	8
Total credit hours	21



Year 3 — Semester 1 (Level 5)

Course Title	Credit Hours
Interdisciplinary Seminar 5	1
Current Literature Review in Prosthodontics 3	2
Case Presentation Seminar in Prosthodontics 4	1
Advanced Prosthodontics Clinic 5	12
Directed Study 1	1
Research Project in Prosthodontics 3	1
Practical Teaching (Prosthodontics) 1	1
Implantology Seminar	1
Total credit hours	20

Year 3 — Semester 2 (Level 6)

Course Title	Credit Hours
Interdisciplinary Seminar 6	1
Current Literature Review in Prosthodontics 4	2
Case Presentation Seminar in Prosthodontics 5	1
Advanced Prosthodontics Clinic 6	12
Directed Study 2	1
Research Project in Prosthodontics 4	1
Practical Teaching (Prosthodontics) 2	1
Total credit hours	19



Research Project

Each trainee must complete an original research project clinical, in-vitro/laboratory-based, or in dental biomaterials, that demonstrates the ability to apply scientific methodology to a problem relevant to prosthodontics. Registration begins at the start of the second year, with progress reviewed every three months by the Program Research Committee. The final research report must be accompanied by a manuscript submitted to a peer-reviewed journal, and trainees defend their work in a formal 45-minute presentation before the Research Evaluation Committee.



Admissions

Eligible applicants must meet the following minimum requirements

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) from a recognized dental school, with a minimum GPA of 3/5 (or 2/4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of internship training year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valid Saudi Commission for Health Specialties (SCFHS) license to practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of English proficiency: TOEFL (or equivalent)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three letters of recommendation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful personal interview and admission specialty examination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented source of financial support and employer approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good conduct and medical fitness for clinical work

