



Criteria To Offer New Postgraduate Dental Specialty Programme

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A. Responsible entity

1. The responsible entity that offers the programme must be a dental faculty or dental school, or kulliyah of dentistry.
2. The responsible entity offering the programme must have an existing undergraduate programme prior to starting the post-graduate programme.
3. The HEP must not offer two similar one-year master's postgraduate dental programmes (Level 7) regardless of the programme title.
4. The HEP must not offer two similar post-graduate dental specialty programmes (Level 8) with the same programme title.
5. The responsible entity must have multidisciplinary dental services to support the postgraduate dental specialist programme delivery.
6. All the standards listed as **mandatory items** in the assessment rubric must be complied with at Provisional Accreditation.

B. Submission of 1 + 3 Programme for provisional accreditation

The HEP that wants to offer the 1+3 postgraduate specialty programme needs to submit both the database of master's and the specialty programme to be offered.

Subsequently, if the HEP wants to offer additional specialty programmes utilising the same master programme, the HEP must submit the database of the doctorate specialty programme together with documents of the foundation of the specialty course (as a top-up to the master's programme). Use Appendix SIII-1: Borang Penambahan Kursus dalam program (Borang T) for the submission of the top-up to the master programme for submission together with the doctorate database (MQA 01). The assessment of the added foundation course and the doctorate programme will be carried out by the same PoA. The PoA will prepare two reports from the evaluation, i.e., a report for the top-up of the foundation course and a report for the doctorate programme.

If the HEP has already offered the doctorate programme but has no master programme, the HEP must submit the database for the master programme (MQA 01) and apply for Provisional Accreditation as a new programme.

In the event that the HEP has already offered a doctorate programme and a master's programme but not inclusive of the related foundation specialty, the HEP has to submit the database of the master programme (MQA-02) incorporating the foundation course. A site visit will be carried out to verify the information.