Global learning in a virtual classroom

For today's busy clinician comes the UK's first online post-graduate degree in Restorative & Aesthetic dentistry. *Dental Tribune* has more

two of the UK's most respected education and academic organisations have joined forces to provide an innovative, technology-driven MSc in restorative and aesthetic dentistry. This programme brings together a high class international faculty for a modern and global classroom.

Smile-on, the UK's premier healthcare education provider and the University of Manchester, one of the top 25 universities in the world, have had the insight to collaborate in providing students with the best that today's technology has to offer post-graduate education - lecturers, online technology, live sessions and support.

The aims of the MSc are simple - to provide an innovative programme which enhances current knowledge and clinical skills in aesthetic restorative dentistry; to present sound academic theory and high quality practical training in aesthetic concepts by world class mentors; to provide students with the confidence and ability to enhance their current clinical practice by incorporating the latest advances in technology and research ensuring aesthetic, functional and long lasting restorative care; and to deliver learning using the latest technology enabling students to access the course regardless of place or time zone whilst maintaining their dental practices.

The syllabus covers a wide range of subjects, broken up into seven units of differing lengths and credit value, totalling 1,800 Hours and 180 credits:

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Unit One: Foundations of 21st Century Practice (150 Hours/15 credits)
- Anatomy
- Basic disease processes
- Current concepts in diagnosis
- Foundational occlusion
- Foundations of material science
- Imaging and radiology

Unit Two: Aesthetic Foundations (150 Hours/15 credits)
- Comprehensive patient assessment
- Patient communication
- Record keeping
- Clinical photography
- Treatment presentation
- Medico-legal aspects
- Practice management
- Anterior aesthetic treatment planning
- Colour and shade

Unit Three: Anterior Aesthetics (300 Hours/30 credits)
- Bleaching
- Anterior direct composite
- Aesthetic recontouring
- Simple orthodontics
- Restoration of the endodontically treated tooth
- Veneers
- Sliced veneers/¾ crowns
- Crowns

Unit Four: Posterior Aesthetics (150 Hours/15 credits)
- Direct composite
- Inlays/onlays
- Crowns
- Bridges

Unit Five: Complex Treatment (500 Hours/50 credits)
- Tooth loss
- Removable replacement
- Fixed replacement
- Treatment planning tooth replacement
- Periodontal plastic surgery
- The role of orthodontics
- Restorative gingival techniques

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Online learning
The majority of the learning resources will be online. The programme will combine webinars, hands-on sessions and e-learning modules to create an integrated learning programme, using the best of new media and technology. Students can interact with these components through the secure online Education Support Platform (ESP) system, which will guide you towards your goals through a detailed activity timeline. The ESP provides the following:

- Student profile
- Learning plan
- Personal development plan
- E-Learning modules
- Webinars
- Case study & photo uploading
- Dental literature
- Messaging system
- Multiple choice questions
- Tutor assessment
- Progress tracker
- Resources

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