

## School of Dentistry launches distance-learning MSc in Advanced General Dental Practice

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The School of Dentistry is proud to announce the launch of its distance-learning MSc in Advanced General Dental Practice. Created in response to the demand expressed by interested students unable to attend our existing campus based course, this ground-breaking new distance version of the programme is the latest addition to the postgraduate portfolio of the College of Medical and Dental Sciences.

The masters course is led by Professor Trevor Burke, and is designed for primary care dentists who want to advance their clinical skills and knowledge, with the key objective of enhancing the quality of patient care and promoting a strong ethos of evidence-based practice and self development.

The first 20-strong cohort has students from all around the world, including Singapore, Antigua, the United Arab Emirates and New Zealand. The students have completed their online induction week and are now making their way through the first academic module, before meeting up in Birmingham at the end of July for 5 days of engaging lectures, intensive practical sessions and general socialising.

The online learning environment, developed by Professor Perryer alongside Andy Wright of the **Educational Technology Team** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/colleges/mds/edtech/index.aspx>), has been designed to provide a rich and engaging experience for students, with learning materials and student interaction being delivered in a variety of multimedia formats including e-lectures, videos and online discussions.

If you would like to know more about this MSc course, or are interested in applying, please [click here for more details](#) (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/postgraduate/taught/dent/advanced-general-dental-practice-distance.aspx>) on the University web site, or [click here](#) (<http://www.mscagdp.com/>) for a preview of the online learning web site, but be quick - the limited places for 2014 are filling up fast.



From left to right – Prof. Trevor Burke, Prof. Giles Perryer, Mrs Linda Malthouse (Programme Administrator) and Mr Andy Wright (e-Learning Developer)