# **FdSc Dental Technology: Key information for applicants.**

This short document lists key information and answers common questions about the FdSc Dental Technology programme for applicants. It is separated into information pertinent before and after your application. If you have any questions, email the programme director using the details below.

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## **Before your application.**

* You are expected to be employed in a dental laboratory on a full-time agreement or contract. Applicants are responsible for arranging this dental laboratory placement.
* The programme benefits those with dental technology experience. Your working circumstances influence factors beyond the control of the University, which may advantage or disadvantage you during parts of the programme. The student and their workplace mentor are expected to make decisions and judgments independently from the university staff, and successful students must be motivated and organised with sound problem-solving skills.
* A large percentage of this programme is delivered digitally; you will need access to a good internet connection in your workplace and at home.
* The application deadline is published on our website's FdSc Dental Technology page.
* Applicants must have access to equipment and expertise for the following dental technology specialities: Removable Prosthodontics (complete dentures and partial dentures including chrome dentures), Fixed Prosthodontics (crowns and bridges), Orthodontics (removable appliances), CAD/CAM systems for removable and fixed prosthodontics. If you cannot access these in your workplace, you must arrange this by visiting laboratories near you or by travelling to Cardiff Metropolitan University.
* As part of your application, be aware that you need the following documents:
	+ Dental Technology Placement form (found on our website [HERE](https://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/study/adviceforapplicants/ptpg/Pages/Compulsory-Supporting-Documents.aspx)).
	+ Personal statement.
	+ Copies of any relevant qualifications.
	+ Academic or professional reference.
* Please speak to our fees and finance team for fees and finance advice. Please do not ask the program team about fees; they are not involved in providing fee details or discussing your financial arrangements. Fees and finance guidance, and contact information for our team can be found on our website [HERE](https://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/study/finance/Pages/default.aspx).
* You and your dental laboratory must take part in an online audit interview. Details about the audit interview can be found in the aforementioned Dental Technology Placement form.

## **After your application.**

* The programme director will contact you and your employer or manager via the contact details provided in your application. Depending on when you apply, this may take up to three weeks.
* During this first contact, the programme director will tell you the date of the audit interview.
* The applicant and their mentor must attend Cardiff Met during the induction week for training. The date of the induction week can be found on our website [HERE](https://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/registry/Pages/Term-Dates.aspx).
* The academic timetable for the year is published on our website [HERE](https://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/registry/Pages/Term-Dates.aspx).
* Once the Dental Technology programme begins, you and your workplace will be asked to provide information to our placements team via our 'placements workflow'. As part of this workflow, your employer will be asked to provide evidence of a mentor GDC number, MHRA number, professional indemnity insurance and workplace insurance certificate. They will have three weeks to complete the placement workflow, or you risk being suspended from the programme.