Bachelor of Dental Science

1 Definitions
In these rules –

pre-2012 student means a student who first enrolled in the Honours stream of the program before 1 January 2012.

Year 1; year 2 means the relevant year of the program.

2 Program requirements
To complete the program, students must complete 80 units from the BDSc course list.

3 Special rules
3.1 CPR certificate
From the start of year 2, a student must hold and keep current a CPR certificate.

3.2 First aid certificate
A student must hold a first aid certificate throughout enrolment in the program.

3.3 Blue card
At the start of the program, a student must obtain a blue card and thereafter hold a current blue card for the duration of the program.

3.4 Immunisation schedule
(1) Before commencing a course in which, in the opinion of the executive dean, the student may be at risk of contracting or passing on a blood-borne virus or other disease, the student must complete a schedule of immunisations approved by the executive dean.

(2) The requirement under subrule (1) may be waived only if —
(a) the student provides evidence of his or her status with respect to immunity against blood-borne viruses or other diseases prescribed in the schedule; or
(b) approved by the executive dean.

3.5 Supplementary examinations
(1) The executive dean, after considering advice from the school board of examiners, may award a supplementary examination only to a student who gains a grade of 2 or 3.

(2) The executive dean may award a supplementary examination to a student for up to 8 units in an academic year.

3.6 Continuous enrolment
(1) A student must not enrol for a subsequent year of the program until getting credit for all courses in the preceding year.

(2) Unless approved by the associate dean (academic), a student must undertake the program without interruption.
(3) The associate dean (academic) may require a student who has failed a course or taken a period of interruption, to demonstrate competencies required for undertaking further study in the program by –

(a) undertaking additional preclinical and/or clinical work; and/or
(b) satisfying other requirements, such as passing relevant examinations.

(4) A student, who fails to pass 2 of the previous 3 years of enrolment at the first attempt, will be refused further enrolment in the program.

Note: A student may appeal a decision of the associate dean (academic) under the Student Grievance Resolution Policy and Procedure.

3.7 Mode of Study
A student must enrol in the program full-time, unless –

(a) the student is required to complete specific courses to meet the requirements of rule 3.6; or
(b) the executive dean gives the student approval to enrol part-time because of ‘special circumstances.

3.8 Blood-borne viruses
(1) A student must provide serological evidence of his or her status with respect to blood-borne transmissible viruses.

(2) A carrier of a blood-borne transmissible virus must not undertake invasive procedures.

3.9 Clinical placements
The executive dean may determine at which dental clinical facility or hospital a student will be based for clinical placement.

4 Honours
Honours may be awarded to a student on the basis of the cumulative grade point average that the student has gained over the course of the program, all courses being weighted equally.

5 Concurrent BDSc/MPhil Programs
5.1 Enrolment requirements
To enrol concurrently in the BDSc and MPhil programs, a student must —

(a) be admitted to the BDSc program at this university; and
(b) be qualified for admission to the MPhil program of this university; and
(c) have gained a GPA of 5.5 in years 1-3 of the BDSc program without failure or undertaking supplementary assessment; and
(d) satisfy the dean of the graduate school and the head of school that the student is qualified to undertake the program; and
(e) obtain the approval of the dean of the graduate school and the head of school to enrol concurrently in both programs.

5.2 Program requirements
(1) A student must complete the work in the BDSc program set by the head of school.
(2) Confirmation of MPhil candidature is subject to the requirements of the university.

(3) Unless a different intention appears in this rule, a student must comply with these program rules and part 4 of the General Award Rules.

6 Transitional
A pre-2012 student may complete the plan of study and be awarded Honours under the rules in force on 31 December 2011.