

APPENDIX 5.2

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE AND ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMPONENT: PROSTHODONTICS, COURSE OHSC501

BDS 5 CLASS OF 2007.

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1. *This document supersedes all previous documents*
2. *Marking is carried out in 5% intervals. All aggregated marks are rounded to the nearest 5%.*
3. *The course coordinators are Dr Mokgadi and Prof Tamlin; the internal moderator is Dr Boitumelo; and the external examiner is Dr Moosa (University of Pretoria).*

1. Term and Year Marks

- 1.1 The minimum *clinical* criteria at the end of the year must be fulfilled before a year mark can be calculated, i.e.

1. Perform the minimum number of clinical procedures and sessions as set out in the clinical assessment system, to the minimum quality required.
2. Achieve a minimum Clinical Ranking Mark for the year of 50%.

Failure to obtain these clinical requirements will necessitate repeating the year.

- 1.2 The minimum *assessment* criteria must be fulfilled as set out below, before a year mark can be calculated. Assessments can include any topic previously covered, from 2nd year onwards, and can cover both fixed and removable prosthodontics. This is because the course cannot be seen as separate, discreet pockets of knowledge, but is a continuum of continuously acquired knowledge, building on, and sometimes modifying, knowledge previously acquired.

2. Year Mark

This will comprise the following:

Clinical Mark: Hossack case:

to be completed by the end of Teaching Block 2:	10%
Fixed pros practical assessment:	
to be completed by the end of Teaching Block 2:	15%
Removable pros assignment	
to be completed by the end of Teaching Block 3:	10%
Written test Teaching block 1 (1 hour)	5%
Written test Teaching block 2 (1.5 hours)	10%
Written test Teaching block 3 (2 hours)	15%
WCT test Teaching block 4 (2 hours)	15%
Clinical Ranking Mark	20%

If this Year Mark is 60% or more, the student will be exempted from the final assessment. If it is less than 40%, the student will have failed this Component and must repeat the year.

The “Hossack” case

This is named after a founding Head of the then Department of Prosthetic Dentistry here at Wits, and a respected teacher of removable prosthodontics. You are required to present a patient for whom you have made a complete set of dentures under limited clinical supervision. The case must first be approved by a Specialist member of the Department of Prosthodontics. Clinical supervisors must be

present when you see the patient at all times, but they will give no direct assistance. Laboratory work can be carried out by a dental technician, but you can, of course, do *all* the laboratory work if you wish, and you are encouraged to do so. The **final try-in stage** must be assessed by two internal assessors, before you may proceed further. A provisional mark (the average of the two) will be awarded at this stage. At **delivery**, another provisional mark will be awarded, again by two internal assessors. After sufficient recalls have been made and you and your patient are satisfied with the completed case, a **final mark** will be given after the case is fully presented to two internal assessors. Selected cases may be presented to the internal moderator or external examiner. If the patient fails to return, the final mark will become the mark given at delivery. If the try-in mark is less than 50%, then the maximum mark that can be obtained will be 50%. This case must be completed by the end of the second teaching block. See also section 3 below.

Fixed pros practical assessment

This will take place in the second teaching block. It will be a laboratory assessment in which students will be required to prepare abutment teeth for a 3-unit ceramo-metal bridge, and construct a provisional bridge on those preparations, within 3 hours. The criteria against which these will be assessed are as per the clinical assessment document.

Removable pros assignment

You are required to write up the case you carried out using a semi-adjustable articulator and face-bow recording. The report is to include patient selection and rationale, as well as your overall experience of the procedures, discussing those aspects of the case relating to the use of this type of articulator. The report should be no longer than the equivalent of four A4 pages single spaced, 12-point font, excluding illustrations. This is to be completed by the end of the third teaching block.

Written tests

A schedule for these (and all other assessments) will be drawn up in consultation with the School Education Committee (EduCom) for the year, and once determined, will only be changed under exceptional circumstances. This means that non attendance will mean receiving a mark of zero for the assessment. Only genuine cases of legitimate illness will be excused (but please note that a medical certificate *per se* is no guarantee), or other exceptional circumstance. The Department may then allow the student to sit another assessment: agreement on permission to write another assessment must be reached within 5 days of the missed assessment, otherwise the mark of zero will stand. It is the student's responsibility in all cases to arrange for the deferred assessment.

WCT

Written Clinical Topics. These consist of short topics presented on screen (projected to the whole class) as a slide or diagram, to be answered by means of short notes. Generally, 5 minutes are allowed per answer, and there will usually be 24 questions covering both fixed and removable prosthodontics.

3. Minimum requirements

The practical assessment and assignment each carry a sub-minimum requirement of 50%. If this is not achieved, the relevant assessment will be repeated. If passed, a maximum mark of 50% will be given. If it is failed again, a *final* repeat will only be carried out during the last month of the course.

The Hossack clinical mark carries a sub-minimum requirement of 50%. If this is not achieved, a further case must be undertaken, and if satisfactory, a maximum mark of 50% will be given. If this is again not achieved, a third and final case must be attempted, to be completed by the end of the fourth teaching block.

The written tests carry a sub-minimum average requirement for the year, of 40%.

The written clinical topics test carries a sub-minimum requirement of 40%.

The Clinical Ranking Mark for the year carries a sub-minimum requirement of 50%.

Please note that failure to achieve any one of these sub-minimum requirements will mean that the Component is failed, and the student will repeat the year.

4. Year Mark

As the year mark is an aggregate of many marks, condonation will only be *considered* for an aggregate mark of 59%. If the Year Mark is 60% or more, the student will be exempt from the final assessment and the Year Mark will become the Component Mark.

5. Year Mark <60%

If the Component Year Mark is <60% (and $\geq 40\%$) then a final assessment will be taken. This will be a 2-hour clinically oriented written assessment for which the sub-minimum mark is 40%. Failure to achieve this will mean that no year mark will be allocated and the Prosthodontics Component has been failed.

The Final Mark is calculated as follows:

Component Year Mark 65%

Final Assessment Mark 35%

This mark must be at least 50% in order to pass this component. The mark awarded to this component will then be a *maximum* of 50%.

6. Component Year Mark >60%

Students may elect to improve their mark by taking the final assessment offered to students under 5 above, and the Final Mark is calculated in the same manner. If this final mark is higher than the

Component Year Mark, then this final mark will become the Component Year Mark. If not, the original Component Year Mark will stand.

7. Supplementary assessment

If the student achieves a final mark of $<50\%$ (and $\geq 40\%$) a supplementary assessment will be offered. This takes the same form as the final assessment, and bears the same relationship to the Year Mark as did that assessment. Hence the supplementary mark comprises:

Year Mark	65%
Supplementary Assessment Mark	35%

If this Supplementary Mark is 50% or more, the student will pass with a Component Final Mark of a maximum of 50%. If it is less than 50%, the Component is failed.

8. Award of an 'A' symbol or first class mark for the Prosthodontic Component

An A symbol will be awarded to any student who obtains at least 65% for each assessment, and who is ranked within the top 10% of the class for each assessment.