

Dental Specialty Fellowship Examinations – Part 1 Exam Specification

Specialty	Periodontics
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The examination will have 180 Single Best Answer (SBA) questions, split equally across two two-hour papers of 90 questions each. On average, candidates will therefore have 1.5 minutes (90 seconds) to read and complete each question.

The questions are spread across the syllabus and will be divided into topics as follows. The question order will be randomised for each candidate. The weighting range indicates the number of potential questions for each topic. For example, a weighting range of 8-12 indicates that you will be asked between 8 and 12 questions on that topic in an examination diet.

	Topic	Weighting range
1.1	Oral anatomy, histology and physiology of periodontal and peri-implant tissues	4 – 6
1.2	Microbiology and immunology of periodontal and peri-implant diseases	4 – 6
1.3	Pathogenesis of periodontal and peri-implant diseases	3 – 5
1.4	Pharmacology as it applies to periodontal and peri-implant diseases	4 – 6
2.1	History Taking	6 – 8
2.2	Clinical Assessment	6 – 8
2.3	Investigations	5 – 7
2.4	Diagnoses and Prognoses	6 – 8
2.5	Classifications	3 – 5
2.6	Treatment Planning	8 – 10
3.1	Non-surgical Management	10 – 12
3.2	Surgical Management	12 – 14
3.3	Dental Implants	12 – 14
3.4	Mucogingival Management	10 – 12
4.1	Supportive Periodontal Therapy	8 – 10



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4.2	Working with the Dental Team	3 – 5
4.3	Complications	10-12
4.4	Evidence and Guidelines	10-12
5.1	Perio-oral Medicine Interface	8-10
5.2	Perio-endo Interface	10-12
5.3	Perio-ortho Interface	6-8
5.4	Perio-prosthodontic (restorative) Interface	10-12