

INFORMATION PUBLICATION

applies for students enrolled in the 2020/2021 academic year

FIRST-CYCLE PROFESSIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY PROGRAMME

LABORATORY DENTAL PROSTHETICS

1. INFORMATION ABOUT THE STUDY PROGRAMME

First-cycle professional higher education study programme *Laboratory Dental Prosthetics* lasts 3 years (6 semesters) and comprises a total of 180 ECTS credits. After completing the programme, the graduate is awarded the professional title **diplomirani laboratorijski zobni protetik (VS)** or **diplomirana laboratorijska zobna protetičarka (VS)**, abbreviation: **dipl. lab. zob. prot. (VS)**.

ISCED:	Health care (72)	SOK:	SOK level 7
KLASIUS-P:	Health technology (other) (7259)	EOK:	EOK level 6
KLASIUS-P-16:	Medical diagnostic and therapeutic technology (0914),	EOVK:	First-cycle
FRASCATI:	Medical sciences (3)		

2. Basic programme goals and general competences acquired with the programme

The basic goal of the professional higher education study programme Laboratory Dental Prosthetics is to train experts in all fields of dental technology. In addition to contents from the professional technological field, the study programme also includes contents that enable development of an appropriate contemporary approach to the patient and the relationship towards creating his/her dental prosthetic restoration.

Technology and doctrine of laboratory dental prosthetics have advanced greatly in recent years, however the training of dental technicians has failed to follow the progress, therefore we have to make up for lost time.

The core team in dentistry consists of a dentist, who carries out the clinical part of oral procedures, and a dental laboratory technician, who carries out the technological part, taking into account applicable legislative and moral-ethical norms, the content of which is the same for all health care providers.

During the Laboratory Dental Prosthetics study programme, the student acquires knowledge and skills and the ability to understand and apply knowledge, assess and communicate as well as independently acquire knowledge. The graduate of Laboratory Dental Prosthetics:

- is able to combine theoretical knowledge from various fields with practical experience;
- masters theoretical and practical knowledge for working independently and in an interdisciplinary team in designing and executing appropriate dental restoration and is able to assess and meet the patient's needs, taking into account the principles of professional ethics;
- has developed communication skills, including in an international environment;

- is able to analyse professional issues, synthesize appropriate solutions and participate in an interdisciplinary team;
- is able to assess the quality of its technological work and select the best procedures and solutions for the patient's well-being;
- is able to lead and organize own work and organize the work process in the dental laboratory;
- is able to engage in the research work in his/her area of expertise;
- has developed learning skills, independently perfects his/her expert knowledge, has a positive attitude towards studies, knows how to obtain and use information from various sources and is aware of the importance of lifelong learning.

3. Conditions for enrolment and selection criteria in the case of restricted enrolment

Candidates who have completed the following may enrol:

- a) matura or
- b) vocational matura or final exam in any secondary school programme or
- c) any four-year secondary school programme before 1 June 1995 and successfully passed the practical part of the entrance examination in manual skills.

When applying, all candidates must demonstrate knowledge of the Slovenian language at the B2 level, according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), with the appropriate certificate. Relevant proof of compliance with this enrolment condition shall be:

- a certificate of completion of the Slovenian language exam at B2 level or an equivalent certificate,
- a certificate of primary school completion in the Republic of Slovenia or completion of school abroad that features the Slovenian language,
- a matura certificate or certificate on completed secondary professional education, which also shows the Slovenian language course completion,
- a certificate of completed bilingual (in the Slovenian and foreign language) secondary education or completed foreign secondary school that features the Slovenian language,
- a diploma obtained at a higher education institution in the Republic of Slovenia and a certificate (statement) that the candidate has completed the programme in the Slovenian language.

In the case of restricted enrolment:

- the candidates referred to in point a) will be selected according to:
 - overall success in matura • 25% of points
 - overall success in Years 3 and 4 • 25% of points
 - practical examination • 50% of points
- the candidates referred to in point b) and c) will be selected according to:
 - overall success in vocational matura or final examination • 25% of points
 - overall success in Years 3 and 4 • 25% of points
 - practical examination • 50% of points

4. Criteria for the recognition of knowledge and skills acquired prior to enrolment in the programme

The student may be recognized knowledge that corresponds to the content of the subjects in the Laboratory Dental Prosthetics programme, acquired in other study programmes of the appropriate cycle. The Commission for Academic Affairs of the Faculty of Health Sciences is to decide on the recognition of knowledge acquired before the enrolment based on the student's written application, enclosed certificates and other documents proving successfully acquired knowledge and its content.

In recognizing knowledge acquired prior to enrolment, the Commission is to consider the following criteria:

- the adequacy of meeting criteria for accession to different forms of education (required prior education for inclusion in education),
- the relevance of the scope of education (the number of hours of prior education with regard to the scope of the subject for which the obligation is being recognized),
- the relevance of the content of education with regard to the content of the subject for which it is being recognized.

Acquired knowledge may be recognized as a completed obligation if:

- the condition for inclusion in education was in line with the conditions for inclusion in the programme,
- if prior education covered at least 75% of the scope of the subject and if at least 75% of the content corresponds to the content of the subject for which the study obligation is being recognized.

If the Commission establishes that the acquired knowledge may be recognized, the knowledge is to be evaluated with the same number of ECTS credits as the number of credits for the subject.

5. Requirements for progression through the programme

In order to progress to a higher year, the students must have confirmed attendance in all courses, complete all practical classes and training and obtain the following number of credit points:

- to progress from the first to the second year of study, students need to accumulate 50 credits in Year 1,
- to progress to Year 3, students need to accumulate 60 credits in Year 1 and at least 50 credits in Year 2.

The Commission for Academic Affairs may exceptionally allow a student to continue to a higher year:

- to Year 2 if he/she has achieved at least 45 credit points in Year 1,
- to Year 3 if he/she has achieved at least 60 credit points in Year 1 and 45 credit points in Year 2.

However, the student must have justifiable reasons for doing so, as determined by the Statutes of the UL.

During the study period, the student may repeat the year or change the study programme once due to non-fulfilment of obligations in the previous study programme. A student may re-enrol in Year 1 if he/she has gained at least 30 credit points and Year 2 if has gained 60 credit points in Year 1 and 30 credit points in Year 2.

6. Conditions for completing studies

In order to complete his/her studies, a student must complete all requirements demanded by courses and draw up a diploma thesis.

7. Transferring between study programmes

The transfer between study programmes means the termination of education in the first study programme and the continuation of studies in the second study programme, in which all or part of the obligations completed by the student in the first study programme are recognized as completed obligations of the second study programme.

In transferring between study programmes, the following criteria are taken into account:

- fulfilment of conditions for the enrolment in the study programme,
- the number of places available,
- comparability of study obligations that the student has completed in the first study programme.

CONDITIONS FOR TRANSFER:

Pursuant to the Criteria for transferring between study programmes (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, Nos. 95/2010), transfers are possible between study programmes accredited in the Republic of Slovenia or implemented in European Union countries, which, upon completion of studies, ensure the acquisition of comparable competencies, among which at least half of obligations under the ECTS from the first study programme, relating to the compulsory subjects of the second study programme, may be recognized pursuant to the recognition criteria.

Pursuant to the Higher Education Act, Criteria for transferring between study programmes (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, Nos. 95/2010, 17/2011) and other regulations, transfers are possible in the following ways:

1. between study programmes of the same cycle

The transfer is possible between study programmes in health orientations accredited in Slovenia or study programmes in the field of laboratory dental prosthetics implemented in the countries of the European Union.

2. Between higher vocational study programmes and first-cycle study programmes

Transfers from higher vocational study programmes are not envisaged. Pursuant to the Criteria for transferring between study programmes, graduates of a higher vocational study programme Dental Laboratory Prosthetics, adopted before 1996, may enrol in the 3rd year of the first-cycle study programme in Laboratory Dental Prosthetics.

3. In the case of non-Bologna study programmes, adopted before 11 June 2004, transfers are also possible between university and professional higher education study programmes and between these programmes and first or second cycle study programmes until the termination of the implementation of these programmes.

The transfer is possible between university and professional higher education study programmes in health orientations accredited in Slovenia and study programmes in the field of laboratory dental prosthetics implemented in the countries of the European Union.

Upon the fulfilment of the prescribed conditions, the Senate of ZF UL is to decide on the recognition of obligations - and determination of the missing obligations - fulfilled by the student in the previous programme, based on prior consideration of the Commission for Academic Affairs of the Faculty of Health Sciences, which determines the year in which the student is to be transferred depending on the scope of recognized obligations.

8. Methods of assessment

Students' knowledge is evaluated and assessed by individual subjects so that the learning process related to a particular subject is concluded with the examination of theoretical and / or practical knowledge. Forms of knowledge assessment (oral or written exam, colloquia, seminar papers, logs, project assignments, presentations) are defined in syllabuses. The general rules of knowledge assessment are regulated by the Rules on knowledge assessment of the Faculty of Health Sciences, adopted by the Senate of the Faculty of Health Sciences. The grade chart is used to assess knowledge in accordance with the Statutes of the University of Ljubljana.

9. Proof of vaccination

Before undertaking clinical training (laboratory demonstrations), students must comply with particular conditions, as set out by the Rules on Vaccination, Protection with Medicines and Protection against the Introduction and Spread of Infectious Diseases published in the call for enrolment for individual academic year.

Vaccination is not a pre-condition for enrolment. It will be organized within the Faculty of Health Sciences. Students will be informed of the date upon enrolment.