

# Oral Health

## Key transferable skills

Skills you will obtain in this degree that are transferable across many career options.



COMMUNICATION



ANALYTICAL  
THINKING



PROBLEM SOLVING



TEAMWORK



ATTENTION TO DETAIL



ACT INDEPENDENTLY

There is currently high demand for Oral Health Therapy graduates to work in many different settings. Employment opportunities exist in private dental practice, community health centres, hospitals, Aboriginal health collectives, academia, health promotion, not-for-profit and health organisations, specialist dental practices and health management.

## Career pathways

Graduates will be well placed to find employment in a range of roles directly or after further study. Common roles include:

- Oral health therapist
- Dental hygienist
- Dental therapist
- Health promotion officer
- Public health advocate
- Clinical educator
- Lecturer
- Researcher
- Aged/residential care oral health care professional
- Clinical co-ordinator
- Project manager
- Oral health educator

## Discipline specific/technical skills

Technical skills that you will develop as part of your course.

- Communicate effectively with patients
- Perform clinical oral health examinations/diagnosis
- Perform a range of clinical procedures
- Develop specific care and treatment plans
- Design and evaluate health-promoting programs
- Deliver evidence-based care
- Apply strategies to improve access to oral health care

## Major employers

Graduates have found jobs in a range of organisations including:

- Dental clinics
- Regional dental health services
- Universities
- St John of God Health Care Group
- Pacific Smiles Group
- BUPA
- Community health clinics
- Dental Health Services Victoria
- GMHBA Limited
- Baker Heart and Diabetes Institute
- Australian Defence Force
- Murdoch Children's Research Institute

Source: LinkedIn Live Alumni, Burning Glass Technologies

## Boost your employability



BROADEN YOUR SKILLS



CONNECT WITH INDUSTRY



MANAGE YOUR CAREER



GAIN EXPERIENCE