

Course Specification Student Version

Course Title:	Oral Diagnosis - 1
Course Code:	DDC 331
Department:	Dentistry
Program:	Bachelor of Dentistry
College:	Vision College in Riyadh
Institution:	Vision College in Riyadh
Revised:	July 2025

A. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: 2 (1+0+1)
2. Level/year at which this course is offered: Level 6/Year 3
3. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): ANAT 211, GDC 211
4. Co-requisites for this course (if any): None

B. Teaching Methods

1	Lecture
2	Clinical Session

C. Course Description and Objectives

1. Course Description

This course is designed to introduce dental students to the fundamental principles and techniques of oral diagnosis. The training will equip students with the skills to effectively communicate with patients, gather a comprehensive medical and dental history, conduct a thorough intra and extra oral examination, formulate a preliminary diagnosis and treatment plan.

2. Course Main Objective

The primary objectives of the course is to master infection control protocols to ensure patient and clinician safety, acquire a thorough understanding of oral anatomy and identifying relevant anatomic landmarks and to conduct a systematic intraoral and extraoral examination, to identify abnormalities and develop preliminary diagnosis and treatment plan.

3. Course Objectives

By the end of this course, students should be able to:

- Explain the principles of infection control and standard precautions in dental settings.
- Identify the anatomical landmarks of oral and paraoral structures and their variations.
- Discuss the principles of diagnostic sequence, including patient history, extraoral and intraoral examination and treatment plan.
- Recognize different investigations that may help in diagnosis of oral lesions.
- Define the terms that are used for describing the oral lesions with related examples.
- Analyze patient information and clinical findings to formulate a preliminary diagnosis.
- Perform a thorough intraoral and extraoral examination.
- Utilize dental software for patient record-keeping, treatment planning, and documentation.
- Adhere to ethical guidelines for dental practice.

- Demonstrate autonomy in effective communication with patients and healthcare professionals.

D. Course Content

No	List of Topics
1	Introduction to diagnostic methods
2	Infection Control in Dentistry
3	Anatomic Landmarks of oral cavity and paraoral structures
4	Patient history
5	Examination Techniques and principles
6	Extraoral Examination
7	Intraoral Examination
8	Special investigations
9	Describing Oral Lesions
10	Treatment Plan

E. Assessment Tools

#	Assessment task	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Written Exam (Midterm)	20%
2	Clinical Evaluation (Requirements)	20%
3	Assignment Evaluation (Essay)	5%
4	Written Exam (Quiz)	5%
5	Clinical Exam	20%
6	Written Exam (Final)	30%
	Total	100%

F. Learning Resources

Essential References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral diagnosis, Medicine & Treatment planning. Steven L. Bricker, Robert P. Langlais, C.S. Miller. Be Decker Inc, 2nd edition 2002. • Color Atlas of Common Oral Diseases. Robert Langlais; LWW, 5th e 2017 • Textbook of Oral Medicine S. Anil, Ghom. Jaypee Brothers Medical Publisher, 3rd edition 2014.
Supportive References	-
Electronic Materials	LMS resources
Other Learning Materials	None