Master of Dermatology – Frequently Asked Questions

Benefits of the Course

• Why should I enrol in the Masters?

The course provides successful candidates with a recognised higher education qualification in the field of dermatology. It also provides a opportunity for Fellows to undertake research or other learnings to further their knowledge.

- Do I need to complete the Masters to practice as a Dermatologist?

 Completion of the ACD Training Program is required in order to be eligible to work as a Specialist Dermatology. Completing the Master of Dermatology does not enable you to become a Specialist Dermatologist.
 - Is the course recognised elsewhere?

As the course is aligned with the AQF standards it supports and enhances the national and international mobility of graduates and workers through increased recognition of the value and comparability of Australian qualifications

• Can it help me get a job at a university?

In most cases post-secondary qualifications are essential to securing academic positions. A Masters qualification may enhance the opportunity of people in relation to supervision of students or working in the field of Dermatology at a university.

Enrolment

 I am a FACD who entered via the IMG pathway. Can I enrol in the Masters and what credit would I get?

As you have not completed your Dermatology studies via the Training Program, you will be required to complete all the subjects, however if you have completed a PhD or Masters by Research you will be eligible for RPL for some subjects if they have been completed in the last 10 years.

- I am an Dermatologist who trained overseas and am working overseas. Can I do the Masters? No. Only Fellows or trainees of the ACD are eligible to enrol in the Masters.
 - I am an existing trainee can I enrol in the Masters?

Due to the nature of the qualification and the , the ACD has deemed that trainees must complete their FACD before being able to enrol in the Masters.

• I am an existing and want to enrol, what should I do?

Complete the enrolment form online and provide as much information as possible. College will review the application and get back to you within a few weeks to get you started.

Grandfathering/RPL

• Can I get RPL for the course

Fellows who have completed the Training Program should read the section on Grandfathering/RPL. This outlines details of any RPL you may be eligible for. There is no fee for applying for RPL/Grandfathering

Can I get RPL for CPD I have completed

If you have completed CPD subjects in the past 5 years that are the same as those in elective A you may be eligible for RPL

I am a Mohs surgeon, can I get credit for Elective B

Yes, let College know on your application form

• I have completed content similar to Elective, can I get credit

Yes you may be eligible for RPL. Let College know on your application form

Costs

How much does it cost?

The full course costs \$18,000. There are 48 credit points and each credit point costs \$375. Subjects range from 3 to 9 credit points.

There are set fees for those who have completed the course in the past 10 years. Please see Grandfathering and RPL section

• Can I defer my fees

As College is not a Fee-Help provider, fees must be paid up front, or as part of an approved finance plan

Thesis/Research

• What is a minor thesis

A minor thesis is a written report between 10,000 and 15,000 words on an approved area of research. Please review the subject outline for this subject.

Subjects

• What happens with the electives

If you are required to complete a subject from 'Elective A', these will be available via the ePortal. If you are required to complete a subject from 'Elective B', these will be available via the ePortal.

• Can I complete other subjects even if I have RPL for them

Yes. Once you are enrolled in the course let us know what content you'd like access to and we can provide it form you.sg