

1	Course title	Law & Ethics in Dentistry
2	Course number	1303591
3	Credit hours (theory, practical)	One credit hour (theory)
	Contact hours (theory, practical)	One hour/week
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	NA
5	Program title	Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)
6	Program code	NA
7	Awarding institution	The University of Jordan
8	Faculty	Faculty of Dentistry
9	Department	Department of Pediatric dentistry and orthodontics
10	Level of course	Bachelor
11	Year of study and semester (s)	Fifth year, Second semester
12	Final Qualification	DDS
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	Oral surgery, Conservative Dentistry. Faculty of Medicine
14	Language of Instruction	English
15	Date of production/revision	2/ February/2023

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**18. Course Description:**

Students learn about the history of dentistry and important aspects related to ethics and laws in dentistry including the regulations of Jordanian Dental Council, basic ethical principles related to dentistry, evidence-based dentistry and forensic dentistry. The lectures will be given on campus on a weekly basis.

Experts in certain fields will be visiting and participating in some of the lectures.

**19. Course aims and outcomes:**

## **A A- Aims:**

- To provide students with fundamental knowledge about the basic ethical principles and codes of conducts in dentistry and the laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan.
- To introduce the students to the principles of evidence –based dental practice.
- To introduce the students to basics of forensic dentistry.
- To Introduce to the students to the process of application for postgraduate studies in Europe and North America.

## **B- Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs):**

Successful completion of this module should lead to the following learning outcomes

### **A. Knowledge and Understanding:**

- Understand what is meant by "ethics"
- Understand why ethics are important
- Understand how codes of ethics function understand the issues surrounding the ethical dilemma
- Apprehension of the laws and by laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan
- Understand important topics which are related to the topic of ethics such as the basics of forensic dentistry, evidence bases dentistry and continuing education and writing medical reports.

### **B. Intellectual Skills:**

- Formulate the decision making used to approach these ethical dilemmas
- Choose options when confronted with an ethical dilemma
- Understand the relationship between risk management and ethics

### **C. Subject-Specific Skills:**

- Have acquired sufficient ethical knowledge and expertise for professional conduct.
- Ability to work with other health related professional in an professional way
- The development of a critical attitude towards the ethical dilemmas.
- Ability to write medical reports for procedures undertaken by general dentists.
- Ability to look for best sources of evidence by knowing the hierarchy of evidence

## 20. Topic Outline and Schedule:

week	Date	Topic	Instructor	Reference
1	26/2/2023	The History of dental medicine	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	
2	5/3/2023	The laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan 1	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	Jordanian Dental Association Rules and Regulations Manual
3	12/3/2023	The laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan 2	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	Jordanian Dental Association Rules and Regulations Manual
4	19/3/2023	The laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan 3	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	Jordanian Dental Association Rules and Regulations Manual
5	26/3/2023	The meaning of ethics in dentistry	Prof. Zaid Al-Bitar	1.FDI Dental Ethics Manual 2. Ethics and Dentistry 1:Gilbier et.al, Dental Update 2001: 28: 468-73
6	2/4/2023	Consent & confidentiality	Dr.Suha Abu-Ghazaleh	
7	9/4/2023	The laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan 4	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	Jordanian Dental Association Rules and Regulations Manual
8	16/4/2023	The laws governing the practice of dentistry in Jordan 5	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	Jordanian Dental Association Rules and Regulations Manual
9	23/4/2023	Dentists relationships with patients & colleagues + writing medical reports	Dr. Ahmad Al Jafari	Jordanian Dental Association Rules and Regulations Manual
10	30/4/2023	Ethics & risk management	Dr. Hawazen Sonbol	Full text article
11	7/5/2023	Evidence- based dentistry (EBD)	Dr. Rawan ElKarmi	Full text article
12	14/5/2023	How to write a research Protocol	Dr. Mariam Al Abdallah	Full text article
13	21/5/2023	Forensic dentistry	Dr. Emad Abdalat	
14	27/5/2023	Post graduate studies	Dr. Aya AlAsmar	

## 21. Teaching Methods and Assignments:

Development of ILOs is promoted through the following teaching and learning methods:

Development of ILOs is promoted through

- Face to face lectures on campus on a weekly basis

## **22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:**

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

1. midterm examination 40 points
2. final examination(MCQs or essays) 60 points

## **23. Course Policies:**

### **A- Attendance policies:**

Lecture attendance is obligatory. The hand-out and recommended textbook are not comprehensive and additional material will be covered in lectures. You are responsible for all material covered in lectures and material covered in e-learning discussions. Students are not allowed to enter lecture room after 5 minutes of its start. Marks are not awarded for attendance. Students are not allowed to attend final exam if they exceed the permitted percentage set in the UJ's regulations.

### **B- Absences from exams and handing in assignments on time:**

The student will be allowed to set for a make-up exam (usually essay) if he/she did not attend the exam due to an acceptable excuse and the excuse was presented in due time as set in the UJ's regulations. If he/she did not attend an exam without an acceptable excuse the student's mark for that exam will be zero. Contributions in e-learning forums are accepted if submitted 24 hours before time of final exam.

### **C- Health and safety procedures:**

No special recommendations.

### **D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior:**

Cheating is considered an unacceptable behaviour in exams and a reason for unsuccessful course result. Please refer for your Student Guide book for detailed regulations

### **E- Grading policy:**

Percentage marks are converted to letters. (A)/(A-) are usually given for top 10-15% of students. Percentage mark < 50 does not mean a mark of (D-) or (F).

### **F- Available university services that support achievement in the course:**

Students can utilize UJ's medical or main library facilities. In addition, they can access e-journals and e-books within campus. They can access the Moodle e-learning through the UJ's wireless internet facilities for free or through the computer lab in the Faculty of Dentistry. A lot of other facilities and support can be provided through the Deanship of Student Affairs.

## **24. Required equipment: ( Facilities, Tools, Labs, Training....)**

None special

## 25. References:

### A- Required book (s), assigned reading and audio-visuals:

Jordanian Dental Council laws and regulations book.

FDI dental ethics manual: [www.fdiworldental.org/resources/4\\_6ethics-manual.html](http://www.fdiworldental.org/resources/4_6ethics-manual.html)

Ethics and Dentistry 1: Gilbier et.al, Dental Update 2001: 28: 468-73

ADA Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct:

[www.ada.org/prof/prac/law/code/index.asp](http://www.ada.org/prof/prac/law/code/index.asp)

Evidence Based Dentistry for Effective Practice: [Jan Clarkson](#) ,[Jayne E. Harrison](#) , [Amid Ismail](#) (Editor), [Ian Needleman](#) (Editor), [Helen Worthington](#). Informa Healthcare (19 Dec 2002).

How to write a protocol: [O'Brien K](#), [Wright J](#), [J Orthod](#). 2002 Mar;29(1):58-61

### B- Recommended books, materials, and media:

FDI Dental ethics Manual, 2007 by FDI World Dental Federation.

## 26. Additional information:

None

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