Forensic Odontology Fellowship & Certificate Programmes

SDM College of Dental Sciences and Hospital established India's first exclusive Department of Forensic Odontology in 2006, headed by an internationally educated forensic odontologist – Dr. Ashith Acharya – who is also the country's first qualified forensic dentist and currently India's most experienced specialist in this field. In the 17 years since inception, the department has spearheaded the development of forensic odontology in India, providing analysis and opinion in landmark cases, producing cutting-edge research and publications, and training dental students, dentists, police, judges, and forensic medical experts around the country. Considering the tremendous interest and curiosity in forensic odontology and the lack of quality training and practical exposure in forensic odontology among dentists in India, SDM University is now offering the **Fellowship in Forensic Odontology for dentists with MDS**, while a **Certificate programme in Forensic Odontology is offered under SDM College of Dental Sciences & Hospital for all dentists (BDS/MDS)**.

The Fellowship and Certificate programmes are hybrid in nature – approx. six lectures are online (one lecture with Q & A every month in the first six months of the one-year programme); after this, the practical training and case-based learning (with assessment) is organised as a classroom module of one week in Dharwad (usually in the seventh or eighth month of the 12-month programme). Following this (i.e., 9th to 12th month), there will be online assignment submission(s); additional online training by international experts in forensic odontology is also organised.

For detailed information on the course curriculum, visit https://sdmuniversity.edu.in/sdmu-curriculum.

Admissions open in July-August with updates made available at https://sdmuniversity.edu.in/other_programs.