



## Accreditation Summary Report

<b>Program name</b>	Bachelor of Dental Science [BDentSc]
<b>Program provider</b>	Charles Sturt University
<b>Accredited campus(es)</b>	Orange, NSW
<b>Program length</b>	5 years
<b>Registration category</b>	Dentist
<b>Qualification type</b>	Higher education - Undergraduate
<b>Australian Qualifications Framework Level</b>	Level 7
<b>Accreditation standards version</b>	June 2010, version 1.0
<b>Date of site evaluation</b>	25-26 July 2012
<b>Date of ADC decision</b>	16 November 2012
<b>Accreditation outcome</b>	Continued accreditation
<b>Accreditation end date</b>	31 December 2015

### Background

Charles Sturt University's (CSU) Bachelor of Dental Science (BDentSc) program commenced at the Orange campus of CSU in 2009.

The program was first accredited by the Australian Dental Council (ADC) in 2009 with further site visits occurring in 2010, 2011 and 2012 to review the progress of the program.

This summary relates to the ADC's accreditation outcome following the visit by an ADC Site Evaluation Team (SET) in 2012.

### Summary of the outcomes of the ADC's accreditation

In carrying out the assessment of CSU's BDentSc program the SET interviewed a wide range of individuals, staff, students, recent graduates and other stakeholders and visited the Dubbo clinic.

The Orange campus facilities were judged to be well suited to purpose and the IT facilities of a high standard. The clinical placement program appeared to be proceeding well with the appointment of a Clinical Director seen as a major factor in the satisfactory running of the Dubbo clinic.

The ADC found arrangements to be satisfactory for this stage of the program, with the first cohort currently in Year 4. The clinical plans for Year 5 (2013) were also considered to be satisfactory but will need to be reviewed as the year progresses. The ADC is to be provided with a summary of patient visits and scope of treatment by Year 5 students at each placement in session 1 2013.

At the time of the site visit the students' clinical hours and pre-clinical hours appeared to be satisfactory with a range of clinical experiences consistent with their year level. The number of clinical tutors was adequate.

The School regularly reviewed the curriculum and appeared to have established cooperative relations with other departments within the University, such as those providing elements of the biomedical sciences.

**ADC's accreditation decision**

On 16 November 2012 the ADC Board determined to continue accreditation of the Bachelor of Dental Science program at Charles Sturt University until 31 December 2015.