

The **BAOS dental undergraduate prize** is available to all undergraduate dental students in the UK and Ireland and is designed to improve awareness of Oral Surgery in the undergraduate curriculum and engagement with the Specialty.

The competition will be open to **4th and 5th year undergraduate dental students**.

The prize will be awarded for the best essay (1500-word max) on the following topic:

What is the Role of the General Dental Practitioner in Oral Surgery Delivery?

- Further information can be found on the attached Marking Criteria sheet
- Each essay should be the undergraduate's own work, without any input, review, assessment from dental hospital staff.
- Essays should be 1500 words maximum, but figures/tables can also be included.
- The 'best' contribution for each region will be judged by the BAOS regional representatives and will be put forward for the National BAOS Undergraduate Essay Prize.
- **The winner from each region will receive a certificate of Merit**
- **The national BAOS Undergraduate Essay Prize winner will receive £250 and will be invited to submit a letter to the Journal of Oral Surgery as an opinion paper.**
- The essays should be submitted via e-mail before 5pm on the 20th December to the BAOS office (mail@baos.org.uk). The subject line of the email should state "Undergraduate Essay Competition"
- Please include the following details in your email -
 - Full name
 - Dental School you are attending
 - What year you are in
 - Contact phone number
 - Please don't forget to attach the essay and the Declaration of Academic Integrity form.

Enquiries should be sent to your local regional representative, in the first instance.

Please see the BAOS website for your school representative and for details of entry and marking criteria.

The winner of the National BAOS Undergraduate Prize will be notified in **March 2025**.