Griffith University: Dental Technology Teaching Team

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Griffith University’s Bachelor of Oral Health in Dental Technology (BOH D'Tech) teaching team now has three committed full-time academics, a pool of 20 sessional demonstrators and one Honours and two PhD students committed to sharing their knowledge and skills with students. Of course, professors and lecturers from dentistry and the broader health area also contribute to educating the dental technology students, however this article focuses on the dental technology team.

The most recently appointed academic, Mr Frank Alifui-Segbya, specialises in crown and bridge after qualifying to practise in 2005. He worked in this capacity and as an educator in dental laboratories, colleges and universities in Ghana, Germany and the United Kingdom. He has presented and published peer-reviewed scientific papers in international journals. His research interests range from novel methods of manufacturing dental prostheses, to education and dental public health in developing countries. He obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in dental technology with first-class honours in 2009 and a Master of Philosophy degree in 2011 at Cardiff Metropolitan University (UWIC). In 2012, he was appointed Dental Technology Lecturer at the School of Dentistry and Oral Health, Griffith University. Frank teaches across a range of Laboratory Practicum and Prosthetic Technology courses and is responsible for removable partial dentures and fixed prosthetics.

Mr Andrew Cameron is a Lecturer in Dental Technology in the School of Dentistry and Oral Health at Griffith University. He was a foundation student and graduate (2006) of the Bachelor of
Oral Health in Dental Technology and completed the Masters of Dental Technology in Prosthetics in 2008. Andrew has worked in a variety of different dental laboratories since graduating, specialising in removable prosthetics and orthodontics. He has contributed to the development of the dental technology program since graduating and joined the School of Dentistry and Oral Health at Griffith University. Her teaching and research extends across a range of areas that explore interprofessional education in the contemporary dental care teams. Jane completed a Doctor of Philosophy in 2010, she has published in British (2010), European (2012) and American (2013) journals. Jane has achieved successful partnerships with Oslo University College sessional staff bring. They come from a range of backgrounds and have one thing in common - they are passionate about what they do and they enjoy sharing their knowledge and skills with students who are eager to learn.

The Honours and PhD students who demonstrate in the laboratory bring an attention to the scientific attributes of

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