

## Full membership application protocols for Associate members

The number of full members shall be unlimited. To qualify, an individual must be an associate member who can present for full membership. This can be done by written or verbal application to any of the officers of the Executive Council. All presentations must be submitted to the Executive Council for preview and guidance **at least 3 months** prior to the presentation date.

On acceptance of membership application, the contact details of the two preview committee members will be provided.

The preview committee will review the initial case presentations and can provide constructive feedback. This assistance will help to hone the presentations to the standard that is expected of a full member. The presentation will be again previewed on at least one further occasion when it is at its final stage. This is to ensure it is up to the level of expectancy before presenting it to a study club meeting. Should the work fall short of this level, encouragement will be given for the applying member to work on the specified areas to improve for future reapplication.

The presentation must conform to the following:

Provide a 15 to 20-minute presentation consisting of three separate clinical or laboratory cases. Two of these can be to illustrate the level of their dental work whether it be clinical or laboratory.

The final case must be a complete step-by-step account with clear and accurate photographs. All of the above must be backed by literature references. The onus is on the applying associate member to understand all the references quoted and be fully prepared for the question and answer session, which follows their presentation for 10-15 minutes.

The Academy takes the role of a full member very seriously and it is an honour to achieve full membership status.