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**The ABAOMS dental undergraduate prize** is available to all dental schools in the United Kingdom in order to raise the profile of the Association and stimulate interest in teaching and research within the specialities of Oral Surgery and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.

The competition will be open to **fourth year dental students** (penultimate year of study).

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

**"Patients or simulation – how would you like to be taught?"**

* The ‘best’ contribution for each school will be judged by the ABAOMS representative for that school. They will receive a school prize certificate and be listed as such on the ABAOMS website. School winners will be put forward for the national prize.
* **The national prize winner** will be invited to attend the annual ABAOMS conference, with free registration to present their work as a poster and receive £100 prize.
* The closing date for entry to the School representative will be the **6th June 2025.** Selected submissions for entry to the national competition should be sent to the Chair by **20th June 2025.**
* ABAOMS welcomes students to join the organisation and become members, but it is not essential for entry to this competition.
* Please ensure that a ‘Declaration of Academic Integrity’ form is submitted along with your essay to your School representative. A template can be found on the website.
* Essays may be checked for plagiarism and the use of large language model AI tools like ChatGPT.
* Enquiries should be sent to your school representative, in the first instance. Please contact your ABAOMS Dental School rep or visit <https://abaoms.org/education-committee/> for the name of your school representative, the conditions of entry and marking criteria.
* The winner of the national Prize will be notified **after 4th July 2025.**

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