

CONTINUING DENTAL EDUCATION

Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University



Orthodontics for Dental Hygienists

Dr. Ali Tassi

Limited Enrollment

March 27 to 29, 2026

PROGRAM OUTLINE

This course is designed exclusively for registered dental hygienists in Ontario who wish to expand their knowledge and clinical skills in orthodontics. It provides a formal advanced education in orthodontic procedures, allowing participants to develop the expertise necessary to support orthodontic treatment within their scope of practice, as regulated by the College of Dental Hygienists of Ontario (CDHO).

The course includes comprehensive lectures covering orthodontic principles and hands-on clinical training using dentoforms and dental mannequins at the Schulich School of Dentistry Simulation Clinic. Instruction is provided by expert orthodontic faculty and experienced orthodontic professionals, ensuring close supervision and individualized guidance through capped enrollment.

Participants will receive a detailed course manual and study guide. To ensure competency, both the didactic and clinical components will be evaluated, and successful participants will receive a signed certificate of completion at the end of the course.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Introduction to Orthodontic Treatment and Instrumentation
- Orthodontic Records, Impressions and Digital Scanning
- Orthodontic Banding, Separation and Cementation
- Orthodontic Bonding and Bracket Positioning
- Arch Wire Sequencing, Ligation and Force Auxiliaries
- Insertion of Space-Maintainers and Orthodontic Appliances
- Bonding Attachments for Clear Aligner Therapy
- Orthodontic Retention and Insertion of Fixed Retainers
- Debonding of Orthodontic Appliances and Adhesive Removal
- Handpiece Workshop for Orthodontic Clean-Up

ABOUT THE SPEAKER



ALI TASSI, BSc, DDS, MCID (Ortho), FRCD(C)

Dr. Ali Tassi obtained both his dental and orthodontic training from the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University. He has been a full-time faculty member at Schulich Dentistry since 2009 and is currently the Chair and Program Director of the Graduate Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics Program at the school. In addition to teaching dental students and orthodontic residents, he has been involved in orthodontic education of dental auxiliaries through CDE for over fifteen years. Dr. Tassi is a member of the Canadian and American Associations of Orthodontists and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada. He is staff orthodontist in the Department of Dentistry at London Health Sciences Centre, and maintains a private practice limited to orthodontics in his hometown of lovely London, Ontario.

TUITION	Until Jan 12	After Jan 12
Dental Hygienist	\$1749	\$1895

TIMES 3 days (19 hours)

Friday, March 27, 2026

Saturday, March 28, 2026

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 29, 2026

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

What's Included: Hands-on materials & equipment are provided for participants to use in the course.

Complimentary lunch is provided for course participants.

METHOD OF DELIVERY

In Person

Lecture: March 27- Ivey Spencer Leadership Centre, London, ON

Hands-on: March 28, 29 – Sim Clinic, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, London, ON

CE POINTS

19 (RCDSO Category 2)

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