3.3 Special Programmes

**Overseas Enrichment Programme (OEP)**

The Overseas Enrichment Programme (OEP) broadens our students’ experience by exposing them to other cultures and different learning environment. All Year 3 students have the opportunity to spend 1-2 weeks in an overseas university in the United States, United Kingdom, Europe, Canada, Japan or China.

**Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme (UROP)**

Every undergraduate is given the opportunity to participate in a research project through the UROP during year 3 of their course. Students in small groups work on a research project supervised by staff. At the end of the final year, their work is presented to the Faculty on Faculty UROP Day. Students also submit their projects for local, regional and international research competitions. Many of the projects have been published in international publications.

**Clinical Elective Programme (CEP)**

In view of students’ diversity of interests and different learning styles, the Faculty introduced an alternative to the UROP that would cater to the students’ clinical inclinations rather than rigidly impose compulsory research training on them. The Clinical Elective Programme (CEP) was introduced in AY2013. This elective programme allows students with interests in dental specialties to gain a deeper understanding in a particular area through structured clinical attachments. Each attachment involves strengthening the students’ skills in clinical decision making, problem solving and critical review of literature to better appreciate the specialty.

At this juncture, the clinical electives are offered in the disciplines of Oral Maxillofacial Surgery and Paediatric Dentistry.