CAREER PATHWAY

DENTISTRY

LEVEL 2

GCSE OPTIONS AT THORNLEIGH

Good Grades in core subjects
Triple Science

LEVEL 3

COURSE OPTIONS AT THORNLEIGH

Biology
Chemistry
Business

A-LEVEL EQUIVALENT ALTERNATIVE COURSES

Applied Science
Health and Social Care (Dental Nurse)
Access to Higher Education Diploma (Medicine/Science)
Laboratory Sciences
T-level

SCHOOL LEAVERS APPRENTICESHIPS

Dental Nursing (L3 NHS / BUPA)

LEVEL 4-6

HIGHER APPRENTICESHIP COURSES

Orthodontic Therapist (L4 University of Central Lancaster)
Oral Health Practioner (L4 Bury College)
Dental Technician (L5 University of Central Lancaster)

UNI / APPRENTICESHIP DEGREES

Dental Surgery / Dentistry Degree

DENTISTRY

A career as a dentist involves diagnosing, preventing, and treating conditions of the teeth, gums, mouth, and jaw.

Career Progression Options

- Specialization: Train in fields like orthodontics, oral surgery, periodontics, endodontics, or paediatric dentistry via the Royal College of Surgeons.
- Practice Ownership: Progress from an associate dentist to a practice partner, owner, or corporate lead.
- Hospital & Academic Roles: Work as a hospital consultant, clinical researcher, or university lecturer.