



**2027 AID Membership Dermatopathology Course
Delivered by the Australian Institute of Dermatology**

Thank you for your enquiry about the AID Dermatopathology Membership Course. The course is open to all Medical graduates in Australia or Overseas. It will commence in Late Jan 2027 and run over two semesters of 14 weeks each. The course incorporates the Institute's Membership Dermatology course with the Membership Dermatopathology course. The former concentrates on skin diagnosis and treatment which are the fundamental elements of practicing good skin disease management. The Dermpath course looks in detail at the dermpath relevant to that medical module covering all the major inflammatory skin diseases and the skin cancers seen in Australia.

The Australian Institute of Dermatology is based at the John Flynn Private Hospital on the Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, specializing in online education in Dermatology See www.learndermatology.com and www.aideducational.com

Course Hardware Requirements Mac running Leopard operating system or later or PC Computer running Windows 10 or 11 with a broadband internet connection, or a good wireless connection. A digital camera should be purchased such as the Canon Powershot or the Sony Cybershot series which are easy to use and have excellent macros for taking close up images. The Nikon Coolpix range are also good. Modern Phone Cameras are also acceptable with images transferred to your computer.

Course Software and Books You should purchase a copy of Clinical Dermatology by Habif. Get the 7th e edition with website access although the book itself is all that is required for the course. You should also have an Image management program such as [ACD See](#) This allows you to organize and resize your clinical images. The Dermpath book we recommend is Barnhills Dermato pathology Challenge

Course Delivery The course will be delivered using the Institute's websites www.aiddiploma.com and www.aiddermatopathology.com over 14 two weekly modules, 7 in each semester. In the first week of each module you should look over the dermatology module topic as well as start reading the relevant dermpath module and view the associated video webinars. Week two of each module will be devoted to dermpath with a pre recorded webinar each Thursday evening or at a time of your choosing.

Cost of the Membership Course The fee for the course, including the weekend meeting, will be \$3650 (Aus) early bird if paid before 10th December 2026 or \$3950 if paid after that date. All fees must be paid 4 weeks before the course begins.

The initial deposit to secure a place in the course is \$1000 with the balance payable in full before the cut off dates above. See the Registration form for full payment details. Candidates who pass the Membership Course will have ongoing access for 1 year to the course websites and the virtual clinical meeting site. They will also be eligible to attend the Alumni webinars in subsequent years. These are held every two weeks during the teaching semesters. If you pass the Membership course you can take the Advanced DermPath course and Fellowship courses in subsequent years.

Membership Course Module Content

Semester 1

Module 1A Introduction to skin morphology and diagnosis .
Module 1B Topical Therapy and Topical Steroids
Module 2A Eczema and Hand Dermatitis
Module 2B Contact Dermatitis and Patch Testing
Module 2C Atopic Dermatitis
Module 3A Acne vulgaris and related disorders
Module 3B Rosacea and related disorders
Module 4A Psoriasis and the other Papulosquamous Diseases
Module 4B Psoriasis and the other Papulosquamous Diseases
Module 4C Psoriasis and other Papulosquamous diseases
Module 5A Bacterial Skin Infections
Module 5B Sexually transmitted bacterial infections
Module 6A Sexually transmitted viral infections and HIV
Module 6B Warts, Herpes simplex and other viral infections
Module 7A Superficial Fungal Infections
Module 7B Deep Fungal infections, Mycobacteria and Leishmaniasis

Semester 2

Module 8A Viral and Bacterial Exanthems and Drug Eruptions
Module 8B Other pediatric skin diseases
Module 8C Infestations and Bites
Module 9A Pruritus – The Itching patient
Module 9B Vesicular and Bullous diseases
Module 10A Connective Tissue Diseases
Module 10B Urticaria and Angioedema
Module 10C Hypersensitivity syndromes and Vasculitis
Module 11A Light related diseases
Module 11B Disorders of Pigmentation
Module 12A Hair Diseases
Module 12B Nail diseases

Module 13A Benign Skin Tumours

Module 13B Pre-malignant/malignant non melanoma skin tumours and Lymphomas

Module 13C Nevi and Malignant Melanoma

Module 14A Dermatological Surgical Procedures and Cosmetic Dermatology

Module 14B Cutaneous manifestations of Internal Diseases

Module 14C Vascular Tumours and malformations

Continuing Professional Development Points The Institute awards 60 Cat 1 points for the Reading of the Module material and the Links and viewing the course webinars. Each Semester examination is awarded 10 Cat 2 points. Overall the course offers 80 hours of CPD points.

Starting Dates The course will commence with the Medical Dermatology Weekend Workshop on the 30th and 31st Jan 2027. This will be a Virtual Conference which will be recorded. The first examination online will be at the end of the first semester around 8th May

There is a 4 week break between Semesters from the 12th May to the 9th June. The Second Semester will run from the 9th June until the 16th Sept The Second Semester exam will be around the 25th September

You will also be invited to attend the Alumni Case discussion webinars in 2026 which are held every two weeks for previous graduates of the course from when you pay your deposit to join the Membership course in 2027.

Important This Membership Course has no standing with Medicare or other funding or licensing State or Federal authorities. It does not allow you to practice in Australia as a Specialist Dermatopathologist . It should however give you an excellent grounding in the subject and allow you to be a reference doctor re skin diseases in your practice or local community.

If you have any other questions contact me at imccoll@ozemail.com.au or telephone 0755980133 during office hours or fax to 0755980266 From Overseas these numbers are 61755980133 or fax 61755980266.

