ODHA STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROFILE – HUSSEIN MAHMOUD

SCHOOL: APLUS Institute

What made you want to become a dental hygienist?
As an internationally trained dentist and newcomer to Canada, becoming a dental hygienist was the fastest and most reliable route for me to rejoin the dental field, which I love and have dedicated over seven years of practice to. I saw dental hygiene not just as a respected and prestigious career, but also as a way to stay closely connected to the profession I am most passionate about.

What type of practice setting do you hope to work in?
I envision myself working in a multidisciplinary dental clinic that values teamwork and evidence-based care. My goal is to continue learning and growing in a collaborative setting where I can apply both my clinical skills and international dental background to serve clients with the highest level of care. In parallel, I plan to complete the dental equivalency process in Canada to become a licensed dentist once again.

How will you celebrate your graduation?
After the intense and condensed journey of completing the dental hygiene program, I plan to take a well-deserved break. I will travel back home to celebrate this milestone with my parents and family, whose support has meant the world to me throughout this journey.

What do you think dental hygiene students should know about their free student membership?
As the ODHA Student Ambassador for APLUS Institute during the 2024/2025 academic year, I strongly encourage every student to take full advantage of their ODHA membership. It offers access to critical resources, continuing education, networking opportunities, and professional support that truly empower students to succeed both in school and as future professionals. Plus, the exclusive member benefits and discounts are a great way to save money while staying connected and informed throughout your journey.

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