




Day 1: January 23, 2026 - Foundations & Single Restorations

The first day focuses on the **exocad** software environment, essential tools, and the design of single-unit restorations like crowns, inlays, onlays, and veneers.

Time	Subject/Module	Topics & Hands-On Practice
9:00 – 10:00 AM	Introduction to exocad and Digital Workflow	Digital Dentistry Overview: Components (scanner, software, printer/milling). exocad Interface & Project Manager: Setting up a new case, file formats (STL, DICOM). Basic Navigation: Mouse controls, view manipulation, toolbars, and hotkeys.
10:00 – 11:30 AM	Essentials: Data Import & Model Preparation	Data Alignment: Aligning scan data (maxilla, mandible, bite). Margin Line Definition: Manual vs. automatic margin tracing for single units. Insertion Direction: Defining the path of insertion and block-out.
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Crown Design (Full Contour)	Basic Crown Workflow: Placing the crown, selecting tooth libraries, and using the Wizard .

		Anatomic Design Tools: Applying cutbacks, free-forming, and using the morphing tool.
12:30 – 1:30 PM	 Lunch Break	
1:30 – 3:00 PM	Crown Design: Advanced Refinement & Contacts	Occlusion Management: Using the Virtual Articulator (if available) for dynamic occlusion, trimming interproximal and occlusal contacts. Minimum Thickness: Checking and adjusting the restoration for material requirements. Saving and Exporting: Exporting the final STL file for manufacturing.
3:00 – 4:00 PM	Inlay/Onlay Design	Preparation Analysis: Reviewing the specific requirements for Inlay/Onlay cases. Margin Line & Restoration Placement: Step-by-step design workflow, focusing on proper seal and fit.
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Veneer Design & Esthetic Principles	Veneer Specific Workflow: Addressing minimal reduction, cutback, and the "Copy Pre-op" feature (if available). Basic Smile Design Concepts: Adjusting length, width, and alignment for esthetics.



Day 2: January 30, 2026 - Advanced Restorations & Model Creator

The second day moves into multi-unit restorations (bridges) and the crucial **Model Creator** module for digital model fabrication.

Time	Subject/Module	Topics & Hands-On Practice
9:00 – 10:30 AM	Bridge Design: Frameworks & Connectors	Case Setup: Designing a 3-unit posterior bridge case in the Project Manager. Framework Design: Setting parameters for connectors, minimum thickness, and material selection (e.g., Zirconia). Connector Adjustment: Free-forming the connectors for strength and proper fit.
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Bridge Design: Full Contour & Occlusal Setup	Pontic Design: Selecting and positioning the pontic for proper tissue contact (hygiene space). Occlusal & Interproximal Adjustment: Refining the anatomy of the full bridge using free-form tools and adjusting occlusal contacts.
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Advanced Tips & Expert Mode	Expert Mode Functionality: Exploring non-wizard tools for complex modifications. Troubleshooting: Dealing with faulty scans,

		undercuts, and common design errors.
1:00 – 2:00 PM	 Lunch Break	
2:00 – 3:30 PM	Model Creator Module: Basics & Die Preparation	<p>Introduction to Model Creator: Overview of the module's capabilities (creating physical models from digital scans).</p> <p>Die/Segmented Models: Designing individual, removable dies for single-unit cases, including pin placement and die trimming.</p>
3:30 – 4:30 PM	Model Creator: Articulated & Implant Models	<p>Articulated Models: Creating models with bases designed for common printing/milling systems, including base creation and labeling. Introduction to Implant Models (Brief): Basic concepts of designing models with removable gingiva and lab analogs (where applicable in a basic course).</p>
4:30 – 5:00 PM	Review, Q&A, and Next Steps	<p>Final Case Review: Rapid review of all restoration types designed over the two days. Q&A Session: Addressing specific questions and practical challenges. Further Learning: Discussing advanced modules and resources.</p>

