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About Us

The University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston (UTSD) has set the standard for oral health excellence since 1905 as the first dental school in Texas and the oldest professional school in Houston. Since then, thousands of dentists, dental hygienists, and dental specialists have been educated at UTSD, whose mission is “to improve human health by providing high-quality education, patient care, and research in oral health for Texas, the nation, and the world.”

The school was founded as the privately-owned Texas Dental College and joined The University of Texas System in 1943. 1955-2011, the school was known as “UT Dental Branch,” but the name “School of Dentistry” was restored in June 2011. The school is part of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth Houston).

Message from the Dean

Message to Students from Dean John A. Valenza, DDS

Welcome to Houston and the Texas Medical Center!

Welcome to the School of Dentistry, a part of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth Houston). Within this catalog, you'll find important information affecting almost every aspect of academic life — from course listings to scholarship offerings to graduation criteria and much more.

As a UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry student in the world-renowned Texas Medical Center, you'll have opportunities to forge lasting friendships and make meaningful professional connections in one of the world's richest intellectual, cultural, and collaborative environments. We encourage you to make the most of your time here and enjoy everything Houston offers.

We hope this catalog will be helpful as you embark on your journey into the world of dentistry. And once again, welcome to UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry!

Sincerely,

John A. Valenza, DDS '81

Dean

William N. Finnegan III Distinguished Teaching Professor in the Dental Sciences

Mission Statement

Our Vision

“Improving Oral Health...Improving Overall Health”

Our Mission

“To improve human health by providing high-quality education, patient care, service, and research in oral health for Texas, the nation and the world.”

Accreditation

University Accreditation

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award baccalaureate, master's, doctoral, and professional degrees. Degree-granting institutions also may offer credentials such as certificates and diplomas at approved degree levels. Questions about the accreditation of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033-4097 by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website (www.sacscoc.org) (<https://www.sacscoc.org/>).

School of Dentistry Accreditation

The programs offered by UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry are accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation will review complaints that relate to a program's compliance with the accreditation standards.

The Commission is interested in the sustained quality and continued improvement of dental and dental-related education programs but does not intervene on behalf of individuals or act as a court of appeal for individuals in matters of admission, appointment, promotion, or dismissal of faculty, staff, or students.

A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission's policy and procedure for submission of complaints may be obtained by contacting the Commission at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2678 or by calling 1-800-621-8099, extension 4653.

School Administration and Faculty

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Dean

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Muhammad F. Walji, PhD
Associate Dean for Technology Services & Informatics

The School of Dentistry Department and Faculty

The most current listing of faculty is available at each department's website.

Diagnostic and Biomedical Sciences (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/diagnostics-and-biomedical-sciences.htm>)

Endodontics (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/endodontics.htm>)

General Practice and Dental Public Health (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/general-practice-and-dental-public-health.htm>)

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/oral-and-maxillofacial-surgery.htm>)

Orthodontics (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/orthodontics.htm>)

Pediatric Dentistry (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/pediatric-dentistry.htm>)

Periodontics and Dental Hygiene (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/periodontics-and-dental-hygiene.htm>)

Restorative Dentistry and Prosthodontics (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/directory/restorative-dentistry-and-prosthodontics.htm>)

Student Organizations

Several organizations exist independently of UTSD to provide students the opportunity to become familiar with the activities of professional societies. For information on all UTSD registered student organizations, please visit the UTHealth Houston Student Organization website (<https://inside.uth.edu/academics/organizations.htm>).

Student Governance Organizations

All students regularly enrolled at UTSD are members of the Student Association at UTSD, which coordinates several student-related activities. The Student Council serves as the governing body of the Student Association at UTSD. Members of the Student Council are elected from each class. Students may also participate in UTHealth Houston student organizations such as the Student InterCouncil or other registered student groups.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees are subject to change and become effective on the date enacted. The Texas Legislature does not set the specific amount for any particular student fee. Student fees are authorized by state statute; the specific fee amounts and the determination to increase fees are made by the university administration and The University of Texas System Board of Regents.

Please refer to the Bursar's Office for the current Tuition and Fee Schedules (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/school-of-dentistry/>) for all UTSD programs.

Required Fees

UTHealth Houston has required fees that apply to all students across all schools that can be reviewed here (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/required-fees-all-schools/>). UTSD has required program-specific fees and course and lab fees that can be reviewed here (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/school-of-dentistry/>).

Graduation Fee: A graduation fee of \$150 is required for all dental students, DDS students are assessed this fee in their 4th year. All other dental students are assessed this fee when they apply for graduation. This fee does not include regalia rental.

Professional Liability Insurance Fee: The estimated fee is \$25 annually for DDS students. Other UTSD programs should go to the required fee schedules for the cost of liability insurance.

Student Services Fee: The Student Services Fee, required of all students, is \$586.02 per year. The fee supports student health services, shuttle services, student governance, and recreation facilities. For a full breakdown of this fee, see the Bursar's Office Student Services Fees (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/student-service-fees/>) page.

Financial Aid

UTSD has limited loan and scholarship funds. These funds may be available based on proven financial need and/or academic excellence.

Students can find more information regarding financial aid along with financial aid application forms under the Office of Student Financial Services (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/>).

For information on Cost of Attendance (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/cost-of-attendance.htm>) (COA) and other financial information please refer to the UTHealth Houston Student Financial Services (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/>) website. The COA is an estimated cost of a student's educational and living expenses for the period of enrollment. It includes tuition, fees, books/supplies, room and board, and other expenses.

Student Health Insurance Program

The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System mandates health insurance for all students enrolled in the UT System health components. As such, each UTHealth student who cannot provide evidence of coverage under another approved plan will be enrolled in the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) with Academic Health Plans and assessed a health insurance fee. For more information regarding Student Health Insurance you can go to the Registrar's website here (<https://www.uth.edu/registrar/current-students/student-information/health-insurance.htm>) and Auxiliary Enterprises Student Insurance website here (<https://www.uth.edu/auxiliary-enterprises/insurance/>).

Veterans Administration Training Program

UTHealth Houston School Dentistry has programs approved by the Texas Workforce Commission for veterans training. Training programs are offered at the undergraduate and graduate levels. For complete information regarding program provisions, candidates should contact the Veterans Administration office nearest their home.

Vocational Rehabilitation

Through the Vocational Rehabilitation Division, the State Board of Vocational Education will pay the tuition of students with certain disabilities, provided the vocational objective selected by the disabled persons has been approved by a representative of the Division. Application for vocational rehabilitation assistance should be made to the nearest Texas Rehabilitation Commission office.

Contact Us

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Student Clinics
Contact Student Provider
If Student Not Available Call
713-486-4000 Option 1

Student & Academic Affairs:

713-486-4151
sod-studentaffairs@uth.tmc.edu

UTHealth Registrar:

713-500-3361

registrar@uth.tmc.edu

Library & Learning Commons:

713-486-4094

UT Dental Bookstore:

713-486-4450

bkstr.com/utdentalstore (<https://www.bkstr.com/utdentalstore/>)

General Practice

University Dental Center

(Care by Faculty & Residents)

UT Professional Building
6410 Fannin St., Suite 310
Houston, TX 77030
Phone: 713-500-7171

Student Specialty Clinics

Pediatric Dentistry: 713-486-4334

Special Patient Clinic:

713-486-429

Graduate Specialty Clinics

Endodontics: 713-486-4230

Pediatric Dentistry: 713-500-8220

Periodontics: 713-486-4048

Prosthodontics: 713-486-4347

Orthodontics: 713-486-4190

Oral/Maxillofacial Surgery:

713-486-4125

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Houston, TX 77054

Phone: 713-486-4444

www.utdentists.com (<http://www.utdentists.com/>)

UT Dentists Imaging

Inside UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry
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 Houston, TX 77054
Phone: 713-486-4444
[Go.uth.edu/Imaging \(http://go.uth.edu/Imaging/\)](http://go.uth.edu/Imaging/)

UT Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
 Scurlock Tower, Suite 1900
 6560 Fannin St., Houston, TX 77030
Phone: 713-790-4600
[www.utoralsurgery.com \(http://www.utoralsurgery.com/\)](http://www.utoralsurgery.com)

UT Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology
Inside UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry
 7500 Cambridge St., Suite 6110
 Houston, TX 77054
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[Go.uth.edu/Pathology \(https://go.uth.edu/pathology/\)](https://go.uth.edu/pathology/)

UTHealth Pediatric Dentistry

Inside UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry
 7500 Cambridge St., Suite 3410
 Houston, TX 77054
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[Go.uth.edu/kidsteeth \(https://go.uth.edu/kidsteeth/\)](https://go.uth.edu/kidsteeth/)

Academic Standards, Policies, and Procedures

Admissions Policy

The admissions policy of UTSD includes a wide variety of criteria, including qualitative and quantitative information, in evaluating applicants individually and making decisions on acceptance into the D.D.S. degree program. The admissions processes for the undergraduate Dental Hygiene certificate, Baccalaureate (B.S.), degree-completion programs, Master of Science in Dental Hygiene (MSDH), and graduate Advanced Education Programs utilize a mix of cognitive and non-cognitive consideration factors that are similar to the Dental Education Program. The Dental Admissions Committee gives individual consideration to applicants. The Admissions Committee considers the application in its entirety and gives importance to the following factors:

1. Intellectual capacity, based on consideration of undergraduate and graduate records; academic progression/regression; standardized test scores; academic awards and honors; a history of research accomplishments; degree of difficulty of the undergraduate educational program; pre-professional evaluations; personal interview; and any other data submitted.
2. Interpersonal and communication skills, based on consideration of community or charitable service, extracurricular activities and organizations, leadership positions, employment history, recognition for humanitarian service, awareness and direct knowledge of cultural elements as they may have an impact on healthcare, expression of

future goals in the written essay; statements made on the application or in the personal interview; and any other relevant considerations the student's pre-professional advisors may present;

3. Knowledge of the profession, based on consideration of an understanding of factors that have an impact on access to care, along with the social and financial implications; consideration of the impact of lifelong learning; and demonstrated significant effort in seeking knowledge regarding the practice of dentistry or participation in oral health promotion activities.
4. Potential for service to the State of Texas, based on consideration of the applicant's goals for the future; size and location of hometown and whether the applicant resides in a Health Professions Shortage Area; potential for future provision of health services to underserved areas or needed specialties; race/ethnicity as it relates to service to underserved and underrepresented populations; linguistic skills appropriate to the Health Professions Shortage Area the applicant wishes to serve;
5. Motivation, based on consideration of success in overcoming adverse personal, economic, or educational conditions; employment during undergraduate education; participation in activities requiring time management skills; experience in health-related activities; and heavier than normal academic course loads (≥ 18 hours/semester).
6. Integrity, based on consideration of professional evaluations; any academic integrity violation; commission of a crime; any other relevant background relating either positively or negatively to the applicant's standard of integrity; and
7. Essential skills, based on consideration of psychomotor skills (fine motor dexterity and coordination) and observational skills (vision, hearing, and tactile abilities) sufficient to master the clinical procedures essential to treating oral disease, with or without reasonable accommodation.

An interview is required before the Dental Admissions Committee will make a final determination regarding any applicant. Interviews are arranged by invitation only and are conducted both for the Committee's informational purposes and to provide the applicant with information about dentistry and the School of Dentistry program. The interview is a substantive step in the admissions process and will be used to investigate the criteria noted above further. An Admissions Committee member or designee conducts all interviews. The interviewing committee member scores interview candidates, which further contributes to the overall evaluation of the applicant.

The selection of the entering class is based upon the total evaluation conducted by the Dental Admissions Committee incorporating the criteria listed above.

Student Conduct and Discipline

Students are responsible for knowing and observing University regulations concerning student conduct and discipline, including those outlined in UTHealth Houston Handbook of Operating Procedures (HOOP) Policy 186, Student Conduct and Discipline (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448220>). The University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston Student Guide to Academic Studies also outlines rules specific to student conduct and discipline, distributed during orientation and at the beginning of each semester.

Student Grievances Procedures

Grade Grievance Procedure

If a student disputes the grade received on a course examination, it is the student's responsibility to arrange an appointment to discuss the grievance with the appropriate faculty member. The faculty member retains the primary responsibility for student evaluation and assignment of grades. A faculty member's judgment in such cases is final unless there is substantial evidence of discrimination, differential treatment, or error. If the student feels that the grade grievance has not been adequately addressed after meeting with the appropriate faculty member, the student may appeal the grievance in writing to the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs within seven working days. The Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs will review the case and submit a written recommendation to the Dean within fourteen working days. The Dean will respond in writing to the student's grievance within five working days. In academic issues, the dean's determination is final and not subject to further appeal.

Nonacademic Grievance Procedure

Students enrolled in UTSD should report abuse or mistreatment to the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs. The Associate Dean will meet with the student to discuss the incident or behavior and the options for action.

University policies and procedures concerning misconduct by faculty and staff, including sexual and physical abuse and harassment, are outlined in the UTHealth Houston HOOP 59, Sexual Misconduct (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1447966>), and HOOP 183, Nondiscrimination, Anti-Harassment and Equal Opportunity (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448214>). The Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs will advise and assist the student in following the institution's applicable procedures.

Student Health Insurance Program

The University of Texas System Board of Regents mandates that all students in the UT System obtain health insurance. More information regarding student health insurance can be found in the UTHealth Houston General Information Catalog (<https://catalog.uth.edu/general-information/student-services/student-health-insurance/>) or at Auxiliary Enterprises Student Insurance (<http://www.uth.edu/auxiliary-enterprises/insurance/>).

Criminal Background Checks

An offer of admission to any program at UTSD is expressly contingent upon the successful completion and review of a criminal background check, which is required before matriculation. The criminal background check will, among other things, serve to verify the information provided in the application. Individuals who do not permit the conduct of the criminal background check as required will be subject to withdrawal of the offer of admission to School programs.

Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure Eligibility

According to State law and the Texas Board of Dental Examiners, a person applying for initial licensure to practice Dentistry and Dental Hygiene in the State of Texas may be ineligible for licensure due to a previous conviction or deferred adjudication for a felony or misdemeanor offense.

For more information contact the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners by email: information@tsbde.texas.gov or by phone: (512) 463-6400.

Reasonable Accommodation

Individuals seeking reasonable accommodations related to disability, pregnancy and parenting, or religion must initiate the accommodation process by contacting their school's designated Section 504 Coordinator (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/section-504-coordinators.htm>) and completing a request form found on the University Relations & Equal Opportunity (UREO) webpage (<https://www.uth.edu/hr/service-areas/university-relations-equal-opportunity/>).

Accommodations are not retroactive, and require advance notice to implement. To allow adequate time to evaluate the request, engage in the interactive process, and make arrangements for any accommodation to be provided, requestors are strongly urged to contact UREO as soon as possible.

For more information, visit HOOP Policy 101, Disability and Pregnancy Accommodations (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448050>), HOOP Policy 232, Pregnant and Parenting Students (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=32d838cb-8f11-40f7-b8e5-f42719d41202>), and HOOP Policy 112, Religious Accommodations (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448072>).

Programs of Study

Instructional Programs

UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry sponsors 11 accredited programs.

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Graduate Certificate

- Dental Informatics (p. 32) (joint certificate with McWilliams School of Biomedical Informatics)

Transfer of Credit

Credit for semester hours of work completed at another institution towards prerequisites for admission or in lieu of UTSD requirements must be approved by either the Office of the Registrar for Dental Hygiene applications, the Office of Student and Academic Affairs for all DDS concerns, and the Program Director for each Advanced Education Program that is involved with an application. Official transcripts must accompany any request for transfer credit.

Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS)

The Doctor of Dental Surgery degree program offers a course of instruction that includes basic sciences, behavioral sciences, preclinical sciences, and clinical sciences. The instruction in basic and preclinical sciences and initial clinical experiences are the primary focus in the first two years of study, with more emphasis placed on clinical sciences during the latter two years.

Essential Skills for Dentists and Dental Hygienists

To be successful, dentists and dental hygienists must demonstrate cognitive skills in critical and logical/analytical thinking. Dentists and dental hygienists must demonstrate psychomotor skills (fine motor dexterity and coordination) and observational skills (vision, hearing, and tactile abilities) sufficient to master the clinical procedures essential in treating dental disease.

All individuals who apply for admission and those admitted to UTSD, without exception, must be able to perform essential functions, with or without reasonable accommodation. Essential functions are the basic activities that a student must be able to perform to complete the curriculum. An applicant who cannot perform the following essential functions will not be considered for admission nor permitted to continue in the program. Students can obtain information concerning program-related accommodations from the school's Section 504 Coordinator. See also HOOP 101, Disability Accommodation (<https://www.uth.edu/hoop/policy.htm?id=1448050>).

Communication: Students must be able to communicate effectively with patients and patient family members, peers, staff, faculty, and other members of the health care team. Communication requires the ability to assess all information provided by the patient, including non-verbal responses, within safety-related timeframes. Students must be able to communicate in oral and written format that is succinct, organized, and complete. These communications will include assessments, prescriptions, and dental record notes. Students must demonstrate sensitivity to cultural, emotional, and societal issues.

Sensory and Psychomotor Skills: Students must be able to gather patient information needed for a diagnosis through adequate visual, tactile, smell, and auditory senses. Students must have sufficient physical abilities and stamina to provide dental care and respond to emergencies. Students must have the manual dexterity to execute gross and fine motor movements required to provide dental care for their patients within the mandated time frame established by the curriculum and licensing boards.

Cognitive Abilities: Students must have the cognitive abilities to master the dental curriculum, including the basic, behavioral, and clinical sciences. Students must be able to measure, calculate reason, analyze, synthesize, integrate, and apply information. In addition, students must be able to comprehend three-dimensional relationships and understand the spatial relationships required to provide dental care. Students must demonstrate critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills required in dentistry.

Behavioral and Social Attributes: Students must demonstrate professional behavior and function with integrity and responsibility while maintaining a high ethical standard. In addition, the students must demonstrate the ability to be compassionate, empathic, and tolerant. Students must be able to interact collegially and demonstrate the ability to participate in teamwork. Students must possess the emotional health required to use their intellectual abilities fully, such as exercising good judgment, promptly completing all responsibilities attendant to the diagnosis and care of patients, and developing mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients. Students must tolerate physically taxing workloads and function effectively under stress. Students must be able to adapt to changing environments, respond appropriately to unpredictable circumstances, and display flexibility.

Chronic Conditions: Students must not be subject to any chronic or recurrent illnesses that interfere with quality patient care or safety and are incompatible with dental practice or training.

Expenses

Tuition: Attendance during any part of an academic year will require payment of the entire tuition, subject to the refund provisions. Tuition for each academic year is due at the time of registration. Tuition and fees are subject to change according to the actions of the UTHHealth Houston or UT System Board of Regents. Changes become effective when enacted.

Refer to the Bursar's Office for the current Tuition and Fee Schedules (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/>) for all UTSD programs.

Required School and Program Fees, and Course and Lab Fees: UTSD has required school- and program-specific fees, as well as course and lab fees. Refer to the Bursar's Office Tuition and Fee Schedules (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/>) to view these specific required fees.

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For more information regarding Student Health Insurance you can go to the Registrar's website here (<https://www.uth.edu/registrar/current-students/student-information/health-insurance.htm>) and the Auxiliary Enterprises Student Insurance website here (<https://www.uth.edu/auxiliary-enterprises/insurance/>).

For Cost of Attendance (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/cost-of-attendance.htm>) (COA) and other financial information, please refer to the UTHealth Houston Student Financial Services (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/>) website. The COA is the estimated cost of a student's educational and living expenses for enrollment. It includes tuition, fees, books/supplies, room and board, and other costs.

DDS Program Scholarships

UTSD can offer a limited number of competitive academic scholarships to each entering class of DDS degree candidates. These scholarships are made possible through the generous donations of the UTSD Alumni Endowment Fund, The Mu Mu Chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honorary Dental Society, and the Greater Houston Dental Society via the Daniel C. Kamas Memorial Fund. The scholarships, by the direction of the sponsors, are primarily competitive academic scholarships, with the primary designation for superior academic performance and financial need. Additional criteria for scholarship consideration include all those factors utilized by the Scholarship Committee.

Educational Requirements for Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.)

- Applicants must have completed a minimum of 90 semester hours (or 134 quarter hours) at a regionally accredited (<https://www.chea.org/about-accreditation/#what>) US or Canadian college or university.
- All undergraduate course requirements listed in the table below must have been completed at a regionally accredited US or Canadian university/college. Foreign coursework will **not** count towards meeting any of the prerequisites, even if transfer credit has been given for them by a US or Canadian school.
- Each required course, listed in the table below, must be completed with a grade of C or better. Courses taken Pass/Fail or Credit/No Credit will **not** count towards meeting the requirement.
- Advanced placement credit is accepted **only** if the school granting the credit lists the specific course(s) and number of units granted per course on an official transcript. Lump sum credit is not accepted.
- Graduate courses **do not** satisfy the 90-hour requirement **or** the required coursework.
- All required coursework must be completed before **or** by the time of enrollment into UTSD.
- Baccalaureate degrees are highly desirable. However, exceptionally mature students without a degree with outstanding academic records, superior performance on the respective admissions test, and highly desirable personal qualifications may be considered for admission.
- The prescribed course requirements are the **minimum** requirements for admission to UTSD. Applicants are best served to take additional upper-level coursework so they are better prepared for the academic rigors of dental school.

Undergraduate Course Requirements

Courses for non-science majors or health career majors (nursing, pharmacy, allied health sciences, etc.) will **not** satisfy the required

coursework. All required coursework must be applicable to a traditional science degree.

Biological Sciences 14 semester hours (12 semester hours of lecture & 2 semester hours of formal lab) or 21-quarter hours (18 quarter lecture hours & 3-quarter lab hours) of Biological Science are required.

Includes all Biological Science courses applied toward a Baccalaureate degree in traditional science fields, such as General Biology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Genetics, Ecology, Immunology, Parasitology, and Anatomy & Physiology.

UTSD requires 3 semester hours (or 5 quarter hours) of Microbiology. This requirement will count toward fulfilling part of the 14-semester hour Biological Science requirement.

General Chemistry 8 semester hours or 12 quarter hours of General (Inorganic) Chemistry, as required for college science majors, including the corresponding laboratory experience, are required. (8 semester hours = 6 hours of lecture & 2 hours of lab; 12 quarter hours = 9 hours of lecture & 3 hours of lab).

Courses such as Physical Chemistry and Quantitative Analysis may also satisfy the requirement.

Organic Chemistry 8 semester hours or 12 quarter hours of Organic Chemistry, as required for college science majors, including the corresponding laboratory experience, are required. (8 semester hours = 6 hours of lecture & 2 hours of lab; 12 quarter hours = 9 hours of lecture & 3 hours of lab).

Biochemistry 3 semester hours or 5-quarter hours of Biochemistry are required. This requirement is in addition to the Biological Science requirement of 14 hours and may not be used to fulfill the Biological Science requirement.

The course may be taught in the Biology, Biochemistry, or Chemistry departments.

Physics 8 semester hours or 12-quarter hours of Physics, as required for college science majors, including the corresponding laboratory experience, are required. (8 semester hours = 6 hours of lecture & 2 hours of lab; 12 quarter hours = 9 hours of lecture & 3 hours of lab)

Includes all physics courses applied toward a baccalaureate degree in any traditional science field.

English 6 semester hours or 9-quarter hours of college English are required.

Any course accredited by the English Department that fulfills the general education English requirement for a baccalaureate degree will be accepted. Remedial or developmental courses or "English As a Second Language" courses **are not accepted**.

Statistics 3 semester hours or 5-quarter hours of Statistics are required.

The Statistics course should be taught in a Math or Statistics Department.

Dental Admission Test

In addition to the scholastic admissions requirements, all candidates must take the Dental Admission Test (DAT). The DAT should be taken in the spring of the year in which the application is initiated. It is given at several testing centers in the state by the Division of Educational

Measurements, Council on Dental Education of the American Dental Association. An application to take the DAT and a brochure describing the testing program may be obtained from the American Dental Association's website (<https://www.ada.org/en/education-careers/dental-admission-test/>) or by calling them at 312-440-2689.

Procedure and Criteria for Dental School Admissions

The Dental Admissions Committee at UTSD is composed of faculty members, student members, and ex officio members. The Dental Admissions Committee considers, selects, and recommends to the Dean applicants for admission to the D.D.S. program.

Applicants to be offered positions are selected through the collective judgment of the Dental Admissions Committee members. The decisions are made by evaluating the applicant's record and comparing it with other applicants' records that reflect academic qualifications and personal attributes that contribute to success as a dental professional. Qualified legal residents of Texas are given preference.

The members of the Dental Admissions Committee serve as a resource to applicants in all programs by

1. participating in a yearly pre-professional advisors conference;
2. making visits to area Texas colleges to provide information about dentistry and dental education;
3. conducting programs at the School of Dentistry for groups of applicants; and
4. participating in Health Career Days at Texas universities and colleges.

Initial screening factors considered by the Committee include:

Academic achievement

- Overall grade point average
- Science grade point average
- Academic progression or regression
- Educational experience as reflected by the total credit hours

Aptitude for dentistry as predicted by the Dental Admissions Test (DAT)

- Survey of the Natural Sciences (Biology, Inorganic and Organic Chemistry)
- Reading Comprehension (Natural and Basic Sciences)
- Test of Perceptual Ability

Effective March 1, 2025, the Examination Program implemented a new scoring system for the DAT. The two-digit score reporting scale (1 to 30) was replaced by a three-digit reporting scale (200 to 600). Details about the changes to the scoring system are provided here (https://www.ada.org/-/media/project/ada-organization/ada/ada-org/files/education/changes_dat_scoringandreporting.pdf).

Application and Acceptance Procedures

UTSD applications may be made through the TMDSAS or the Associated American Dental Schools Application Service. Application is preferred through TMDSAS and is required of Texas resident applicants. Application information can be obtained from

Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service
P.O. Box 2175

Austin, TX 78768

Online application and information can be found here (<http://www.tmdsas.com/>).

The following requirements are stipulated for official consideration of an application for admission to the School of Dentistry.

- Applications will be accepted only between May 1 and October 1 of the year preceding expected matriculation.
- Applications are processed by the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service or American Associated Dental School Application Service
- The Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service or American Associated Dental School Application Service must receive:
 - All application forms, completed and signed where appropriate;
 - Official transcripts of courses and grades directly from all academic institutions attended;
 - An evaluation of the applicant from the Health Professions Advisor, the Health Profession Advisory Committee, or from two academic professors of the applicant's choosing. If an Advisor or Advisory Committee is on the applicant's undergraduate campus, a letter from them is desired. A letter of evaluation is also required from a practicing dentist;
- DAT Scores;
 - TMDSAS will charge a non-refundable filing fee based on the number of schools to which you apply and your Texas residency. If a doubt exists regarding your residency status, the application will not be processed unless a non-resident filing fee is submitted or until a determination of legal Texas residency can be made. If you submit a non-resident filing fee and it is subsequently determined that you are a resident of Texas, an appropriate refund will be made. If your residency status is questionable, it will be necessary for you to complete a Residency Questionnaire so that a residence determination can be made. The filing fees are published on the Texas Medical and Dental School Application Service website (<http://www.tmdsas.com/>).
- Photographs for each school and the Application Service;

The TMDSAS is operated for administrative purposes involving the application process. All actions on admission to a professional program are the prerogative of the admissions committees of the individual professional schools. All questions concerning the status of a completed application should be directed to the Office of Student and Academic Affairs of the School of Dentistry at sod-studentaffairs@uth.tmc.edu

Questions concerning the degree of completion of an application should be directed to the Application Service. Applicants are encouraged to monitor application completion online here (<http://www.tmdsas.com/>).

Non-resident students will be limited to not more than a certain percentage of the total enrollment per class established by the Texas State Legislature.

Transfer and Advanced Standing Applicants

UTSD classifies "transfer" students as applicants currently enrolled in good standing in dental schools accredited by the American Dental Association and "advanced" standing applicants as graduates of dental schools not accredited by the American Dental Association. Transfer and

advanced-standing applicants will be considered for admission only if space is available in the appropriate second-year class. No transfer will be accepted beyond the second year.

Requirements that govern the admission of transfer students are as follows:

- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended. Applicant must provide adequate translations (if applicable)
- DAT Scores
- National Board Scores (if applicable)
- A letter of recommendation from the Dean of the dental school in which the applicant is currently enrolled.
- The curriculum of the school attended must be compatible with that of UTSD. The transfer student must ensure that documentation and analysis of program compatibility is provided by the institution attended by the transfer applicant.
- A personal interview is required before the Dental Admissions Committee will consider the completed application.

Requirements that govern the admission of advance standing applicants to the second year are as follows:

- Must not have been out of pre-doctoral dental school for more than five years at the time of acceptance or must have completed a two-year postdoctoral program accredited by the American Dental Association within the past five years or have successfully completed a preceptorship program at UTSD within the past five years.
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended. Applicant must provide adequate translations (if applicable).
- Must have passed Part I of the National Board Examination. Part II scores are considered if available.
- Applicants from countries where English is not the native language must submit scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
- A letter of recommendation from the college's chief administrative officer, university, or dental school where the applicant was last enrolled.
- An interview will be required before an offer of admission. Those selected for interview by the committee will be notified.
- A skills assessment bench exam will be administered during the interview process, which includes a non-refundable fee and is required before an office of admission. Those selected to take the exam by the Committee on Admissions will be notified.
- No admission beyond the second-year DDS class for the advanced standing.
- Students accepted as advanced standing participants will pursue the prescribed dental course of study and be required to complete satisfactorily published graduation requirements for Doctor of Dental Surgery candidates.

No plan for admission or reporting to The University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston should be made until official notice of acceptance has been received.

Readmission

A student who voluntarily withdraws or is dismissed from the dental program and subsequently applies for readmission will be considered on an individual basis by the Dental Admissions Committee.

The dental curriculum has been designed to maximize the student's learning experience. There is an intentional integration of the various

disciplines to aid the student in assimilating the knowledge base necessary for developing a sound decision-making process and the required technical skills in dentistry. The building blocks of this model are the various courses, laboratories, and clinics offered at the School of Dentistry.

Each course is overseen by a course director, who is responsible for organizing the educational material contained in the course, as well as the efforts of the other faculty members who act as course contributors. The ultimate responsibility for each course lies with a specific department chairperson (usually the chairperson of the department of which the course director is also a member).

Each course utilizes a variety of educational instruments to aid the student in learning. These may include traditional lectures, textbooks, other printed materials, non-printed media accessed through Canvas (the school's learning management, web-based interface), and other web-assisted instruction.

A specific department chairperson oversees each course in the curriculum. The School of Dentistry's academic departments are as follows: **Diagnostic and Biomedical Sciences, Endodontics, General Practice and Dental Public Health, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry, Periodontics and Dental Hygiene, and Restorative Dentistry and Prosthodontics.**

The educational program in the School of Dentistry continues throughout the calendar year with approximately four (non-consecutive) weeks off in the Summer, three weeks at the end of the Fall Semester, and one week during the Spring Semester.

Courses of Instruction/Description

An eight-character number identifies courses of instruction. The first four characters indicate the type of course and semester. The first digit indicates the year, the second and third digits indicate the department and section, and the last digit is a unique number assigned to each course in the respective department and section.

Note: Course descriptions are intended to represent skills and knowledge that should accompany the successful completion of the course and should not be construed as a guarantee or warranty by UTHealth Houston of the required level of achievement by every student.

Third Year

The CLIN 3000 series listed below are third-year courses that provide an opportunity for clinical experience in the indicated clinical discipline. Students perform comprehensive dental care under the supervision of faculty from all clinical departments. There are four, two-year clinical courses which begin during the third year of matriculation and will be listed only on the Fourth-Year course list, the year course credit is awarded: CLIN 4002 Endodontics Clinic, CLIN 4006 Operative Dentistry Clinic, CLIN 4008 Periodontics Clinic and CLIN 4014 Clinical Practice II.

Fourth Year

The CLIN 4000 series listed below are fourth-year courses which provide an opportunity for clinical experience in the indicated clinical discipline. Students perform comprehensive dental care under the supervision of faculty from all clinical departments.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
DENF 1504	Neurosciences	2

DENF 1510	Biomedical Science Core	5
DENF 1511	Oral Biology I	3.5
DENS 1512	Head and Neck Anatomy	4
DENS 1513	Human Biology	4
DENS 1514	Oral Biology II	2
DENF 1543	Clinical Applications I	2.5
DENS 1544	Clinical Applications II	2.5
DENU 1561	Principles of Pharmacology	1
DENU 1562	Local Anesthesia	1
DENF 1601	Dental Anatomy I	2
DEPF 1602	Dental Anatomy Lab I	1
DEPS 1604	Dental Anatomy Lab II: Prin of Occlusion	2
DEPS 1614	Operative Dentistry I	4
DENF 1621	Ethics in Dentistry	0.5
DENS 1624	Practice Management I	0.5
DENF 1651	Foundational Skills for Clinic I	1
DENS 1652	Foundational Skills for Clinic II	1
DENS 1672	Biomaterials I	1.5
DENU 1703	Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology I	1.5
DENU 1704	Introduction to Clinic	1
DENU 1721	Perio I: Introduction to Periodontology	1
DENU 1931	Basic & Applied Nutrition	1
DENF 1934	Introduction to Population Health	1.5
DENF 1991	Introduction to Dental Informatics	0.5
Hours		47.5

Second Year

CLIN 2502	Second Year Fall Clinic	2
CLIN 2503	Second Year Spring/Summer Clinic	2
DENF 2564	Dental Therapeutics	2
DEPF 2614	Operative Dentistry II Simulation	4
DENU 2624	Practice Management II	0.5
DEPU 2625	Digital Dentistry	1
DENF 2703	Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology II	1
DENF 2705	Pathobiology	6
DENS 2706	Oral Diseases	4
DEPS 2712	Endodontics I:Simulation	2
DENF 2722	Perio II:Nonsurgical Periodontal Therapy	1
DENS 2801	Preclinical Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	1
DENS 2804	Essentials in Medicine I	3
DENU 2811	Dental Anesthesiology	1
DEPS 2908	Fixed Prosthodontics	2
DEPF 2912	Indirect Single Unit Restoration	2.5
DEPF 2913	Removable Prosthodontics I	2
DEPS 2914	Removable Prosthodontics II	1
DENS 2915	Implantology I	1.5
DENS 2936	Behav Context-Dent Patient Mgmt	1
DENS 2961	Growth & Development	0.5
DENF 2962	Pediatric Dentistry I	1
DENS 2964	Pediatric Dentistry II: Treatment Concepts	1
DEPS 2965	Pediatric Dentistry II Lab: Simulation	1
Hours		44

Third Year

CLIN 3001	Pediatric Dentistry Clinic	2
CLIN 3003	Radiology Clinic	1
CLIN 3005	Prosthodontics Clinic	6
CLIN 3007	Oral Surgery Clinic	2
CLIN 3011	Orthodontics Clinic	0.5
CLIN 3013	Urgent Care Clinic	1
CLIN 3016	Clinical Simulation I	1
CLIN 3017	Diagnosis and Treatment Planning Clinic	3
DENF 3541	Emergency Procedures I	1
DENS 3622	Practice Management III	1

DENF 3672	Biomaterials II	1
DEPF 3673	Advanced Restorative & Esthetics	2
DENS 3705	Oral Oncology	0.5
DENU 3706	Differential Diagnosis-Soft Tissue	1
DENU 3707	Differential Diagnosis-Hard Tissue	1
DENF 3710	Endo II:Biological Applications in Endo	0.5
DENS 3711	Endo III:Advanced Endodontics	1
DENF 3721	Perio III:Surgical Perio Therapy	0.5
DENS 3723	Advanced Periodontics	1
DENS 3806	Implant II: Treatment Planning	0.5
DENF 3807	Advanced Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	0.5
DENF 3808	Essentials in Medicine II	2
DENS 3902	Advanced Prosthodontics	1
DENF 3904	Introduction to Orofacial Pain	1
DENS 3932	Dental Public Health	1
DENF 3961	Pediatric Dentistry III	1
DENF 3971	Orthodontics	1
DENS 3991	Integrated Board Review	1
Hours		36

Fourth Year

CLIN 4001	Pediatric Dentistry Clinic	2
CLIN 4002	Endodontics Clinic	3
CLIN 4003	Radiology Clinic	1
CLIN 4004	Special Patient Care Clinic	1
CLIN 4005	Prosthodontics Clinic	8
CLIN 4006	Operative Dentistry Clinic	8
CLIN 4007	Oral Surgery Clinic	1
CLIN 4008	Periodontics Clinic	6
CLIN 4011	Orthodontic Clinic	0.5
CLIN 4012	Diagnosis and Treatment Planning Clinic	2
CLIN 4013	Urgent Care Clinic	2
CLIN 4014	Clinical Practice II	6
CLIN 4016	Clinical Simulation II	0.5
DENS 4541	Emergency Procedures II	0
DENS 4622	Laws and Regulations Affecting Dentistry	0.5
DENF 4623	Practice Management IV	0.5
Hours		42
Total Hours		169.5

Electives and Continuing Dental Education

The electives program at UTSD is designed to offer enrichment courses in various areas beyond the scope of the required pre-doctoral curriculum. Each student must complete **four** semester credit hours of elective courses, plus **two** Continuing Dental Education Courses, to be eligible for graduation.

Although some electives are offered during the first and second years of the curriculum, most elective courses are offered in the third and fourth years of the curriculum. Several types of elective courses are offered: general information courses, Table Clinics, lecture/seminar courses, laboratory or clinic courses, investigative research projects, extramural courses, and honors courses. The latter usually requires a vetting process.

Course descriptions in school catalogs and the Course Search (<https://catalog.uth.edu/course-search/>) are correct at the time of publication. See myUTH (<https://uthidp.uth.edu/nidp/saml2/sso/?id=Campus-Affiliate-LOA2-DUO&sid=0&option=credential&sid=0>) for more recent course information and to register for courses.

All elective course grades are Pass ("P") or Fail ("F").

Academic Standards

Grading System

Passing: Final course grades are numerical. A grade of 70 or above is considered passing; students must obtain a passing grade in every course. An overall average of 76 for all coursework each year must be maintained for promotion and graduation. Failure to maintain a passing status can result in remediation of the course, a repetition of an academic year, or action up to and including dismissal.

Failing: A course grade of 69 or below is considered failing. Failure of any course during any semester or failure to maintain a passing status may result in repetition of a course, repetition of an academic year, dismissal, or other action. Failure of more than one course in any semester may result in dismissal. If repetition or other remediation is approved by the respective Student Evaluation and Promotion Committee, only one attempt may be made to improve the grade (absent compelling circumstances).

If a student successfully remediates a course by obtaining a minimum grade of 70, the student will receive a grade of 70. Students receiving a grade of less than 70 for remediation will receive a failing grade. Students who are unsuccessful in their attempt to remediate a course failure will be subject to appropriate academic action by the Student Evaluation and Promotion Committee.

Registration: Qualification for registration requires that each student satisfy institutional policy with respect to the successful completion of courses, clinical procedures, and grade averages. Registration may be denied if stated requirements have not been fulfilled.

Progress Evaluation and Academic Actions

UTSD Student Evaluation and Promotion Committee consists of four subcommittees: The First Year Dental Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee, the Second Year Dental Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee, the Third/Fourth Year Dental Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee, and the Dental Hygiene Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee. Each Subcommittee has a Chairperson. One of the four Chairpersons also serves as Chair of the School of Dentistry Evaluation and Promotion Committee.

Student progress is evaluated at least five times annually by the respective Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee. This committee reviews student progress and recommends action to the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs. The ultimate decision in matters of academic standing lies with the Dean based on recommendations of the respective Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee (and any ad hoc Appeals Committee, if appropriate) and the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs. The respective Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee bases its recommendation on the following academic criteria:

- Didactic performance
- Preclinical lab performance
- Clinical performance
- Course failure
- Professional Development, professionalism, and ethical conduct

Students who fail to perform satisfactorily in any of the above-listed areas will be recommended for corrective action to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs by the respective Student Evaluation and Promotion Subcommittee. These students will receive written notification defining

their deficiencies and the corrective action they must take, if any. Failure to meet standards established in any corrective action plan will result in further academic action, including dismissal.

End of Fall Semester Evaluation: At the end of the Fall Semester, every student is expected to have successfully completed all courses and clinic expectations for the Fall Semester with a cumulative average of 76 or above.

End of Year Evaluation: At the end of an academic year, every student is expected to have successfully completed all courses and clinic expectations for the year with a cumulative average of 76 or above.

Students who exhibit exemplary professional behavior and whose academic performance ranks them in the upper 10 percent of the semester, based on the semester GPA, will be considered for the Dean's Student Excellence List.

Promotion: In order to be considered for promotion, a student must maintain a minimum cumulative grade average of 76 with successful completion of all courses and clinical expectations for a given year as outlined in course syllabi, the *Student Guide to Academic Studies*, Clinical Procedures and Operation Manual, and School of Dentistry Catalog.

Examinations

Clinical, laboratory, and course examinations may be administered each semester to provide both students and faculty the opportunity to evaluate the student's level of achievement. The date and time of examinations are published in course syllabi and student schedules.

Students are expected to complete the Doctor of Dental Surgery Program in four academic years. Due to extenuating circumstances, including leaves of absence, repeating a year, clinical activities, and academic performance, students may need more than four academic years to complete the program. If additional time to complete the program is granted, the program must be completed in no more than six academic years from the time of a student's initial enrollment. Under extremely unusual circumstances, a student may petition for an exception to this policy in writing. The petition must be sent to the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs; the request shall be reviewed by the Dental Student Evaluation and Promotion Committees; the Committees' decision is final.

Appeal Process

A UTSD student may appeal any academic corrective action and/or recommendation of dismissal by an Evaluation and Promotion ("E & P") subcommittee to the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs, in writing, within three calendar days after receipt of notice of the academic action. The student must provide the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs a "complete" appeal, which includes at least a written statement clearly explaining all rationale for the appeal and any additional documentation the student possesses that the student believes supports the student's rationale.

The Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs will refer each complete appeal to an Ad Hoc Appeal Committee ("Appeal Committee"). The Office of the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs will assist by scheduling the meetings of the Appeal Committee.

- The Chair of the Appeal Committee will be selected and appointed by the School of Dentistry Committee on Committees and approved by the Faculty Senate (an alternate Chair will also be selected from among the faculty of the School of Dentistry). The Chair will preside

over the Appeal Committee. The length of the Chair's term will be three years. The alternate will preside over the Appeal Committee in the event that the Chair is unable to attend.

- The Appeal Committee will be made up of the chairs of each of the E & P subcommittees not involved in the academic action being appealed. Vice chairs of the E & P subcommittees may serve in this role if a subcommittee Chair cannot participate. In addition, an additional member of the Appeal Committee will be selected by the Associate Dean of Student and Academic Affairs from among the School of Dentistry faculty. This member of the Appeal Committee cannot be the student's faculty advisor or a member of the E & P subcommittee making the decision being appealed.
- Each of the Appeal Committee members will have one vote. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair of the Appeal Committee will vote to break the tie.

The Appeal Committee will review the student's written statement and documentation, if any, submitted by the student, meet with the student, the student's faculty advisor, the Chair of the E & P subcommittee taking the academic action being appealed, and other individuals at the discretion of the Chair of the Appeal Committee. The Chair of the Appeal Committee shall submit a final recommendation to the Dean within seven calendar days of the final Appeal Committee meeting. The Dean shall consider the recommendation of the Appeal Committee, review the materials submitted to the Appeal Committee, and interview other individuals. At his or her discretion, the Dean may meet with the student. The student will be notified of the Dean's decision within 10 calendar days after the Dean's receipt of the Appeal Committee recommendation. The Dean's decision regarding the academic action of the E & P subcommittee is final. The results of the Appeal Committee may be shared with the Chair of the Department involved.

The student, upon written request to and approval in writing from the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs, may continue academic studies while the appeal of an academic action is under review until the student receives notification of a final decision by the Dean.

If an academic action of dismissal is upheld after the appeals process is completed, a dismissed student must immediately discontinue participating in all School of Dentistry educational activities. Upon receipt of the Dean's final decision, all personal belongings must be removed from the School of Dentistry facilities immediately. If the decision is to repeat the year, the student must arrange enrollment, financial payments, registration, and the removal of any holds on their records.

Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for graduation, a student must complete the following requirements:

- Successfully Completed the School of Dentistry curriculum as validated by the departments, the Student Evaluation and Promotion Committees, and the Administration of all courses and clinical procedures.
- Maintenance of a minimum cumulative grade average of 76 for didactic courses.
- Maintenance of a minimum cumulative grade average of 76 for preclinical laboratory courses.
- Maintenance of a minimum cumulative grade average of 76 for clinical courses.
- Satisfactory completion of all required competency examinations.
- Satisfactory completion of all extramural rotations.

- Satisfactory completion of a minimum of four semester hours of Electives and satisfactory completion of two School of Dentistry Continuing Dental Education Courses.
- Pass the Integrated National Board Dental Examination.
- Payment of all outstanding fees, Graduation Fee and return of all loaned equipment.
- Sustained record of satisfactory moral, professional, and ethical behavior.

International Dentist Education Program (IDEP)

UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry recently introduced its new International Dentist Education Program (IDEP) (<http://go.uth.edu/IDEP/>), an innovative program offering a 27-month pathway to a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree.

Approved by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, the IDEP (<http://go.uth.edu/IDEP/>) is designed for dentists who earned dental degrees outside the United States. The application cycle is open and available through March 31.

In most states, internationally trained dentists are not eligible for dental licensure unless they obtain a DDS or DMD degree from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or complete a similarly accredited residency program of at least two years. However, the IDEP establishes a two-year track designed to allow an accelerated timeframe for internationally trained dentists with substantial clinical competence and experience to obtain their DDS degree.

About the program

IDEP begins with an accelerated three-month Bridge Training Program (May through July 2025), a comprehensive calibration and preparation program to review dentistry's art, science, and practice in diverse clinical disciplines. This training is designed to prepare students for matriculation into the third year of the DDS program in August 2025.

The total estimated cost for the Bridge Training Program is \$25,000. After completing this preparatory training, matriculation into the third year of the DDS program will require coordination with the Office of the Registrar. IDEP students can anticipate tuition and fees to average up to \$100,000 per year, depending on Texas resident status. The total estimated cost for IDEP is USD 225,000. For more information on IDEP tuition and fees, see the Bursar's Office website (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/>).

Program timeline (2025)

- March 1-31: Application cycle open ([uth.edu/IDEP](http://go.uth.edu/IDEP/)) (<http://go.uth.edu/IDEP/>)
- April: Interviews, bench test, and selection of students
- May 19: IDEP begins
- August 11: Start of semester for 2025-26 academic year

Interview information

Applicants selected for an in-person interview will also be required to sit for a bench exam (which includes an additional, nonrefundable fee of \$300).

IDEP offers a unique opportunity for international dentists to enhance their credentials and join the U.S. dental workforce. UTHealth Houston

School of Dentistry invites all eligible candidates to apply and encourages sharing program information within professional dental networks.

For questions or more information, contact the PACE Center at PACE@uth.tmc.edu.

Admission requirements

Below are the requirements to prepare a successful application for submission.

- Completed five-page application (https://reg.learningstream.com/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0026-0016-e18330102bcd4320a2bdd5b4ffa6c898), which includes a statement of intent and photo | \$300 nonrefundable
- Resume or CV detailing academic history, certifications, licensures, employment, and training experience (in English)
- Dental school diploma (with English translations, if applicable)
- ECE Course by Course Evaluation Report (https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url/?u=https-3A__www.ece.org_ECE_Individuals_Education-2DReports&d=DwMFaQ8cfbKRVSYouEg_AT-w2QWsTdd9X_KYh9Eq2fdmQDVZgw&r=BuJ-dgQUg4l8yJqF4mjFO_bDWhAyjsaGZRMFiOwyclA&m=ddj9tVr5LrtUCSP4Mx5EAMWSyPea_0SbyRkoITC3IE8gAANMZYQX06BE1z674WZrBUybacPVCUqy)
- Transcripts from non-U.S. dental school
- Three letters of recommendation from dental professionals (one letter is required from the dean of your dental school)
- Copy of TOEFL (<https://www.ets.org/toefl.html>) scores (reporting a combined score of 92 or above)
- Copy of National Boards Parts I & II or Integrated National Board Dental Examination score (obtained within the last five years)
- Health records completed by a health care provider (with English translations, if applicable)
 - Completed UTHHealth Houston Immunization Form (https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sinp-kumORWdn38Ms-26_62cmbNQQ8ld/view/?usp=sharing) (attach any lab work to show proof of immunizations, if necessary)
 - A letter of good health from a physician
 - Copy of current CPR certification (provided by the American Heart Association, front and back of card)
- A copy of photo identification
 - For U.S. Citizens: Copy of your federal or state-issued photo identification
 - For U.S. Permanent Residents: Copy of your Permanent Resident Card
- Years of experience as a practicing dentist
- Community and voluntary engagement
- Shadowing hours and/or work experience in health-related areas
- Postgraduate education

If the student successfully completes the Bridge Training, they will work with a representative from the Office of Student and Academic Affairs on admissions and fees leading up to the start of the DDS program as a third-year dental student. The DDS curriculum requirements for third and fourth year is available here (p. 10).

Dental Hygiene Program

Dental hygienists have several career paths available to them. For instance, dental hygienists in a clinical role assess, diagnose, plan, implement, evaluate and document treatment for prevention, intervention

and control of oral diseases, while practicing in collaboration with other health professionals in a variety of settings: private dental practices, community clinics, hospitals, university dental clinics, prison facilities, nursing homes and schools. Corporate dental hygienists are employed by companies that support the oral health industry through the sale of products and services. Dental hygienists can also work in community health programs that are typically funded by government or nonprofit organizations. These positions often offer an opportunity to provide care to those who otherwise would not have access to dental care. Dental hygienists in administrative positions apply organizational skills, communicate objectives, identify and manage resources, and evaluate and modify programs of health, education and health care. Dental Hygiene educators are currently and will continue to be in great demand. Colleges and universities throughout the U. S. employ dental hygiene instructors who use educational theory and methodology to educate competent oral health care professionals. Corporations also employ educators who provide continuing education to both students in dental hygiene programs as well as licensed dental hygienists and dentists. Further information can be found here (<https://www.ADHA.org>).

The goal of the UTSD Dental Hygiene Program is to provide the student with the opportunity to develop clinical competency and proficiency in preventive and therapeutic oral health skills, and to develop the personal characteristics of a professional attitude, ethical behavior, and dedication to community service and continuing education. The program provides the student with the opportunity to develop these entry-level dental hygiene skills through completion of the two-year post-degree certificate, baccalaureate degree curriculum and a Master of Science in Dental Hygiene. The dental hygiene curriculum emphasizes the basic and dental sciences including microbiology, chemistry, anatomy, physiology, oral histology and embryology, oral pathology, and nutrition. Other components of the curriculum are designed to develop the clinical skills of the dental hygiene student to provide preventive dental health services to the public. The new Master's program opens opportunities for dental hygienist to teach in dental hygiene programs. The program prepares graduates for positions in teaching, administration, management and oral health research.

The UTSD Dental Hygiene Program offers a fully accredited two-year program, which leads to either a certificate or Bachelor of Science Degree in dental hygiene. The Dental Hygiene Admissions Committee considers all applicants to the program and makes recommendations to the Dean for admission of thirty students into the program each fall semester. The minimum requirement for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene is 128 semester hours or for a Certificate in Dental Hygiene is 100 semester hours, 66 of which must be in the required dental hygiene coursework. In addition to the entry-level program, the Dental Hygiene Program also offers a RDH to BS Program for dental hygienists who have completed an associate's degree or certificate in dental hygiene. After completing the required prerequisites, students enrolled in the UTSD RDH to BS Degree Program have an opportunity to successfully complete the distance-education curriculum and receive a Bachelor of Science degree. The minimum requirement for a non-UTSD graduate to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene is 128 semester hours, 30 of which must be in the required program curriculum offered at UTSD, and up to 36 semester hours transferred from an AAS Dental Hygiene Program. Graduates from UTSD will only be required to complete 12 semester hours to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene.

The Master of Science Dental Hygiene (MSDH) degree program is offered online to dental hygienists who have a bachelor's degree in any field and certificate or associate degree in dental hygiene from a CODA accredited dental hygiene program. The MSDH creates opportunities for dental

hygienists to teach in dental hygiene programs (especially at universities or dental schools) and prepares graduates for positions in teaching, administration, management and oral health research. The American Dental Education Association reports that the need for dental hygiene educators will be increasing in the near future. The minimum requirement for the Master of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene is 33 semester hours.

Expenses

Tuition: Attendance during any part of an academic year will require payment of the entire tuition, subject to the refund provisions. Tuition for each academic year is due at the time of registration. Tuition and fees are subject to change according to the actions of the UTHealth Houston or UT System Board of Regents. Changes become effective when enacted. Refer to the Bursar's Office for the current Tuition and Fee Schedules (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/>) for all UTSD programs.

Required School and Program Fees, Student Services Fees, and Course and Lab Fees: UTSD has required school- and program-specific fees. Refer to the Bursar's Office Tuition and Fee Schedules (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/>) to view these specific required fees.

Student Health Insurance Program: The University of Texas System Board of Regents mandate health insurance for all students enrolled in the UT System health components. As such, each UTHealth Houston student who cannot provide evidence of coverage under another approved plan will be enrolled in the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) with Academic Health Plans and assessed a health insurance fee. For more information regarding Student Health Insurance you can go to the Registrar's website here (<https://www.uth.edu/registrar/current-students/student-information/health-insurance.htm>) and the Auxiliary Enterprises Student Insurance website here (<https://www.uth.edu/auxiliary-enterprises/insurance/>).

For Cost of Attendance (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/cost-of-attendance.htm>) (COA) and other financial information, please refer to the UTHealth Houston Student Financial Services (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/>) website. The COA is the estimated cost of a student's educational and living expenses for enrollment. It includes tuition, fees, books/supplies, room and board, and other costs.

Dental Hygiene Scholarships

The Shirah May Hall Memorial Scholarship in Dental Hygiene support scholarships to second year dental hygiene students who have demonstrated financial need, are in good standing and who have exhibited the characteristics of compassion, focus and motivation, teamwork, leadership and advocacy of the profession of dental hygiene.

The Dental Hygiene Class of 2003 Endowed Scholarship is awarded to assist a second-year dental hygiene student who has exhibited the characteristics of compassion, academic excellence (maintained an academic excellent maintain GPA of 3.0) or higher, financial need, and an outstanding dental hygiene citizen among faculty, students, and staff.

The Greater Houston Dental Hygienists' Association Ushma Ramaiya Memorial Scholarship distributions shall be used to support scholarships to second year dental hygiene students who are in good academic standing. Preference shall be given to students who have exhibited the characteristics of compassion, focus and motivation, teamwork,

leadership, and advocacy of the profession through outstanding community service.

There are several local organizations/companies that provide scholarship funding for dental hygiene students. Upon request, UTSD dental hygiene provides to the awarding organization the critical data required for selection, and the selections are made by the selection committee of the sponsoring organization. Primary factors for the award are academic performance, community service, and promise for professional growth and financial need.

Academic Standards

Attendance

Attendance at all scheduled classes, laboratories, and clinic sessions is required. The minimum attendance for which credit will be given or which will admit a student to the final examination is 90 percent of the time scheduled for instruction in that course. The margin of 10 percent absence is provided to accommodate only unavoidable absences due to illness, delayed registration, or approved causes, and it is not contemplated that this concession shall apply to other than exceptional cases.

Punctuality

Students entering a lecture or laboratory after the roll has been taken are recorded as absent for the entire period. Absence from any portion of a period is considered as absence from the full period.

Grading System

Grading System for Clinic and Clinic Relate Classes

93-100 = A
84-92 = B
75-83 = C
<75 = F

Grading System for Non-Clinic Related Classes

90-100 = A
80-89 = B
79-70 = C
<70 = F

Passing: Grades for didactic and clinic courses are letter grades. A minimum grade of C will be required in all courses and an overall average of C (2.00 GPA) must be maintained. Student organization officers must maintain a 2.00 GPA to remain in office. An acceptable level of clinical proficiency must be demonstrated in each clinic before the student will be permitted to begin the next clinic.

Failing: A grade of 69 or below or "F" designates failing work in non-clinical courses and a grade of 74 or below designates unacceptable work in clinical courses.

Incomplete: A grade of "I" may be given under rare circumstances and only upon approval by the Director of Dental Hygiene and the Evaluation and Promotion Committee. A grade of incomplete while passing or incomplete yet failing. A grade of Incomplete yet failing generally results in a Final course grade of F.

Warning: Students will receive a letter of warning at mid-semester for unsatisfactory progress in didactic, laboratory or clinical courses. Students will be expected to show sufficient improvement with a passing grade in those areas of deficiency by the end of that semester to avoid being placed on probation or considered for dismissal. In addition, the

student is expected to make satisfactorily progress in the other courses in the curriculum.

Probation: Students having a semester GPA or cumulative GPA below 2.0 will be placed on probation if not dismissed from the program. Students who have been placed on probation must show acceptable improvement and satisfy the conditions of the letter placing them on probation within the following semester, or they may be dismissed for academic reasons. Students on probation become ineligible for financial aid, and are ineligible to hold Class or organization offices. Re-instatement is at the discretion of the dental hygiene program director.

Dismissal: Students will be considered for academic dismissal if they have a cumulative GPA below 2.0 at the end of any semester. Students will be considered for academic action, including dismissal, if they have one or more failing course grades in a given semester.

Appeal Process

If a student demonstrates the inability to process either didactically or clinically, he/she will be considered for dismissal from the Dental Hygiene Program by the Student Evaluation and Promotion Committee – Dental Hygiene Subcommittee. The decision will be made by the committee members at a meeting held at the end of the semester. Specific guidelines for academic dismissal are listed above.

A UTSD Dental Hygiene student may appeal any academic corrective action and/or recommendation of dismissal by an Evaluation and Promotion (“E & P”) subcommittee to the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs, in writing, within three calendar days after receipt of notice of the academic action. The student must provide the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs a “complete” appeal, which includes at least a written statement clearly explaining all rationale for the appeal and any additional documentation the student possesses that the student believes supports the student’s rationale for the appeal.

The Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs will refer each complete appeal to an Ad Hoc Appeal Committee (“Appeal Committee”). The Office of the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs will assist by scheduling the meetings of the Appeal Committee.

- The Chair of the Appeal Committee will be selected and appointed by the School of Dentistry Committee on Committees and approved by the Faculty Senate (an alternate Chair will also be selected from among the faculty of the School of Dentistry). The Chair will preside over the Appeal Committee. The length of the Chair’s term will be three years. The alternate will preside over the Appeal Committee in the event that the Chair is unable to attend.
- The Appeal Committee will be made up of the chairs of each of the E & P subcommittees not involved in the academic action being appealed. Vice chairs of the E & P subcommittees may serve in this role in the event a subcommittee Chair is unable to participate. In addition, an additional member of the Appeal Committee will be selected by the Associate Dean of Student and Academic Affairs from among School of Dentistry faculty. This member of the Appeal Committee cannot be the student’s faculty advisor or a member of the E & P subcommittee making the decision being appealed.
- Each of the Appeal Committee members will have one vote. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair of the Appeal Committee will vote to break the tie.

The Appeal Committee will review the student’s written statement and documentation, if any, submitted by the student, meet with the student,

the student’s faculty advisor, the Chair of the E & P subcommittee taking the academic action being appealed, and other individuals at the discretion of the Chair of the Appeal Committee. The Chair of the Appeal Committee shall submit a final recommendation to the Dean within seven calendar days of the final Appeal Committee meeting. The Dean shall consider the recommendation of the Appeal Committee, may review the materials submitted to the Appeal Committee, and may interview other individuals. At his or her discretion, the Dean may meet with the student. The student will be notified of the Dean’s decision within 10 calendar days after the Dean’s receipt of the Appeal Committee recommendation. The Dean’s decision regarding the academic action of the E & P subcommittee is final.

The student, upon written request to and approval in writing from the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs, may continue academic studies while the appeal of an academic action is under review and until the student receives notification of a final decision by the Dean.

If after the appeals process is completed an academic action of dismissal is upheld, a dismissed student must immediately discontinue participating in all UTSD educational activities. All personal belongings must be removed from the UTSD facilities immediately upon following receipt of the final decision of the Dean.

Promotion and Graduation

In order to be considered for promotion and graduation, a Dental Hygiene student must have satisfactorily removed all grades of F through remediation/repeat and in addition, must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher.

Examinations

Numerous examinations are given during each course. These examinations serve as a method of instruction and provide both student and instructor the opportunity to evaluate the student’s level of achievement.

The final grade in a course may include evaluation of the student in all aspects of the entire course (didactic, laboratory, professional behavior/development, and clinical) and failure in any one aspect may result in a failing grade for the entire course.

Application Procedure

Applications are available online, here (https://apply.uth.tmc.edu/psp/applyuth/APPLYUTH/CS_20/h/?tab=UT_CS_NVT_APPLY_SIGNON).

The application and all supporting documents must be submitted to the UTHealth Houston Office of the Registrar by the stated deadline for each respective dental hygiene program for the year preceding expected enrollment. Application must be made on the current year’s application form. The applicant pool will be considered as a whole in admissions consideration. If the applicant was enrolled at an accredited college or university in the fall term of the application submission year, or spring term of the entering year, the applicant must submit transcript updates to the UTHealth Houston Office of the Registrar as soon as the grades are available.

Criteria for Admissions

Texas General Education Core Curriculum Requirements

Students who will be receiving their first baccalaureate degree from UTSD must successfully complete the Texas General Education Core Curriculum requirements. The core curriculum consists of 42 semester

credit hours in specified component areas. The table below lists core curriculum component requirements and required semester credit hours. For further information on which courses that may be used to satisfy core curriculum requirements, please see the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Texas General Education Core Curriculum WebCenter (<http://board.theccb.state.tx.us/apps/TCC/>). Applicants are also encouraged to contact the Office of the Registrar or UTSD to inquire about other courses that may satisfy Core Curriculum requirements. Pre-requisite course requirements can be found on the respective program requirement pages under Programs of Study (p. 6).

Texas General Education Core Curriculum Component Areas and Required Semester Credit Hours

Component Area	Required Semester Credit Hours (SCH)
Communication (laboratory time required)	6 SCH
Mathematics	3 SCH
Life and Physical Science	6 SCH
Language, Philosophy and Culture	3 SCH
Creative Arts	3 SCH
American History	6 SCH
Government/Political Science	6 SCH
Social and Behavioral Sciences	3 SCH
Component Area Option	6 SCH
TOTAL	42 SCH

***Note, workforce courses POFI and ITSC will not be accepted for Computer Science.**

TSI - Texas Success Initiative [Formerly TASP]

The Texas Success Initiative (TSI), formerly TASP, is a State program that is designed to improve student success and outcomes in college. Any student seeking to enroll in an undergraduate program at UTHealth must provide proof of successful completion of the Texas Success Initiative (or applicable exemption) prior to enrollment. Further information on specific testing requirements, testing exemptions, and college readiness, can be found here (<https://www.highered.texas.gov/our-work/supporting-our-institutions/success-standards-policies/texas-success-initiative/>).

Readmission Policy

A student who voluntarily withdraws or is dismissed from the dental hygiene program in good standing and subsequently applies for readmission will be considered on an individual basis by the Dental Hygiene Admissions Committee.

Requirements that govern the readmission of applicants to the dental hygiene programs are as follows:

- Must not have been out of dental hygiene school for more than five years at the time of acceptance.
- Readmitted students will be required to audit previously taken courses if more than three years old or if major course revisions have occurred since their enrollment and must complete all course requirements satisfactorily.
- An interview will be required prior to an offer of admission.

Curriculum

Credit Hours: For each semester credit hour awarded a didactic course, there is one classroom hour per week. For each semester credit hour awarded for a laboratory or clinic course, there are normally three to four laboratory hours per week.

Note: Course descriptions are intended to represent skills and knowledge that should accompany successful completion of the course and *should not be construed as a guarantee or warranty by UTHealth Houston of the required level of achievement by every student.*

Dental Hygiene (BS)

Prerequisites for Dental Hygiene Bachelor of Science Program

Code	Title	Hours
	English Composition I & II	6
	Speech	3
	College Math (or higher)	3
	Human Anatomy and Physiology I ¹	4
	Human Anatomy and Physiology II ¹	4
	Chemistry ¹	4
	Microbiology ¹	4
	General Psychology	3
	Sociology	3
	U.S. History (may include 3 hours Texas History)	6
	U.S. Government	3
	Texas Government	3
	Computer Science (with lab) ²	3
	Humanities	3
	Visual & Performing Arts	3
	Nutrition	3
	Electives ³	4
Total Hours		62

¹ Laboratory time required

² Workforce courses POFI and ITSC will not be accepted for Computer Science.

³ Recommended electives include foreign language, research design, and statistics. No PE or remedial courses accepted.

Dental Hygiene Bachelor of Science Program

Dental Hygiene applicants will be considered for admission upon satisfactory completion of the following requirements:

- Applications for the on-campus BSDH and Post-Degree Certificate programs will be available online starting **April 1** and ending **August 31** of the year prior to the year of entry.
- Properly completed application along with required fees and documentation
- Must have graduated from an accredited high school or equivalent
- A grade of at least C must be earned in each of the required courses while maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average of at

least 2.5 (see Guide for Transfer Student (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/students/dental-hygiene/>))

- Must have a minimum of **20 hours** of shadowing experience
- Must have previously completed an associate or bachelor's degree prior to enrolling in the program.
- Casper Test by Altus
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) examination if high school attended was not in the U.S.
- Three letters of recommendation from 2 professors and 1 employer using the institutional form.
 - Print and fill out your portion of the form and give it to the person writing the recommendation. The person completing the recommendation should send the completed recommendation form to the registrar. The official university form must be submitted and can be found here (https://www.uth.edu/registrar/docs/dhyg_ref.pdf).

Applicants outside of Texas **must** reside in a participating National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) state to be accepted into our program. To see if your state participates, or to get more information, please visit the NC-SARA website (<https://www.nc-sara.org/>).

Residents of the State of Texas, applicants to the Bachelor of Science Degree program, and applicants with course-work in the last five years are given preference in the selection process. Personal interviews are required and scheduled based upon committee evaluation.

Students applying to the Dental Hygiene Program are required to take the Casper test as part of a holistic application process. The Casper test is an online, open-response situational judgement test. The test helps identify behavioral tendencies of applicants who will be working in a profession focused on serving people.

Relative competitiveness of the applicant pool is determined by the above requirements. Additional factors considered include:

- nature of academic program
- demonstrated strength in science prerequisites
- demonstrated leadership
- community service activities
- evidence of public/humanitarian service
- extracurricular activities
- communication skills
- employment history
- awards/honors
- healthcare experience
- bachelor's degree or higher
- overcoming adversity

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
DHBS 3101	Pre-Clinical Technique	5
DHBS 3103	Oral Disease Prevention I	3
DHBS 3105	Dental Radiology I	2
DHBS 3107	Head and Neck Anatomy	2
DHBS 3108	Oral Histology and Embryology	2
DHBS 3109	Dental Anatomy	3
Hours		17

Second Semester		
DHBS 3201	Clinical Practice I	3
DHBS 3202	Clinical Seminar I	3
DHBS 3205	Dental Radiology II	1
DHBS 3206	General Oral Pathology	3
DHBS 3209	Dental Emergencies	2
DHBS 3210	Oral Disease Prevention II	1
DHBS 3211	Periodontology	3
Hours		16
Third Semester		
DHBS 3500	Clinical Seminar II	2
DHBS 3501	Clinical Practice II	3
DHBS 3506	Dental Materials	3
Hours		8
Second Year		
First Semester		
DHBS 4301	Clinical Practice III	4
DHBS 4302	Clinical Seminar III	2
DHBS 4303	Community Dental Health	3
DHBS 4308	Pharmacology	2
DHBS 4310	Applied Nutrition	1
DHBS 4311	Special Needs Patients	2
Hours		14
Second Semester		
DHBS 4401	Clinical Practice IV	4
DHBS 4402	Clinical Seminar IV	1
DHBS 4403	Community Dental Health Practice	2
DHBS 4406	Applied Oral Pathology	1
DHBS 4407	Current Applications in Dental Hygiene	2
DHBS 4408	Practice Management	2
Hours		12
Total Hours		67

Graduation Requirements

In order to be eligible for graduation, a student must complete the following requirements:

- The candidate must, in the opinion of the faculty, have satisfactorily completed the prescribed curriculum of the respective UTSD Dental Hygiene Program;
- The candidate must have grade point average of C (2.0);
- The candidate must have 129 SCH to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene or 101 SCH to obtain a Certificate;
- The candidate must have discharged all of the financial obligations to UTSD and/or UTHealth Houston; and
- The candidate must have a sustained record of satisfactory professional and ethical behavior.

Dental Hygiene (MSDH)

Applicants for the MSDH program will be considered for admission upon satisfactory completion of the following requirements:

- The application process opens on **November 1st** and closes on **June 1st** for entry in August of the same year. Applicants will be notified of their standing on or around July 1. Students will be offered admission for August.
- Bachelor's degree (in any field) from a regionally accredited university or college

- Certificate or associate degree in dental hygiene from a - CODA-accredited dental hygiene program. More information on CODA accreditation can be found here (<https://www.ada.org/en/coda/>).
- GPA of 3.0 or higher in your dental hygiene coursework.
- A cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher is recommended.
- State license to practice dental hygiene.
- One letter of recommendation from a professor or employer using the institutional form (https://www.uth.edu/registrar/docs/dhyg_ref.pdf).
- Print and fill out your portion of the form and give it to the person writing the recommendation. The person completing the recommendation should send the completed recommendation form to the UTHealth Office of the Registrar. The official university form must be submitted to:
 - Office of the Registrar
UTHealth
P.O. Box 20036
Houston TX 77225-0036
- Applicants outside of Texas MUST reside in a participating National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) state to be accepted into our program. To see if your state participates, or to get more information, please visit the NC-SARA website (<https://www.nc-sara.org/>).

Curriculum

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
DHMS 6501	Graduate Seminar in Education I	3
DHMS 6502	Introduction to Educational Research	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
DHMS 6503	Academic Leadership & Communication	3
DHMS 6506	Clinical Teaching	3
Hours		6
Third Semester		
DHMS 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
DHMS 6505	Graduate Seminar in Education II	3
Hours		6
Second Year		
First Semester		
DHMS 6508	Graduate Seminar in Education III	3
DHMS 6507	Clinical Teaching Practicum	4
Hours		7
Second Semester		
DHMS 6509	Education Practicum	4
DHMS 6510	Capstone	4
Hours		8
Third Semester		
DHMS 6511	Capstone Extension (If a student has not completed their capstone project as planned, they can register for an additional hour of this extension course.)	1
Hours		0
Total Hours		33

Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for graduation, a student must complete the following requirements:

- The candidate must, in the opinion of the faculty, have satisfactorily completed the prescribed curriculum of the respective UTSD Dental Hygiene Program.
- The candidate must have a C (2.0) grade point average.
- The candidate must have discharged all of the financial obligations to UTSD and/or UTHealth Houston and
- The candidate must have completed a minimum of two semesters at UTSD.
- The candidate must have a sustained record of satisfactory professional and ethical behavior.
- The candidate can enroll full or part-time but must complete the program within five years.

Dental Hygiene (Post-Degree Certificate)

Prerequisites for Dental Hygiene Certificate Program

Code	Title	Hours
	English Composition I	3
	Fundamentals of Speech	3
	General Psychology	3
	Sociology	3
	Human Anatomy and Physiology I ¹	4
	Human Anatomy and Physiology II ¹	4
	Chemistry ¹	4
	Microbiology ¹	4
	Nutrition	3
	Computer Science (with lab) ²	3
	Electives ³	
Total Hours		34

¹ Laboratory time required

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³ Recommended electives include foreign language, research design, and statistics. No PE or remedial courses accepted.

Dental Hygiene Post-Degree Certificate Program

Dental Hygiene applicants will be considered for admission upon satisfactory completion of the following requirements:

- Applications for the on-campus BSDH and Post-Degree Certificate programs will be available online starting April 1 and ending August 31 of the year prior to the year of entry.
- Properly completed application along with required fees and documentation
- Must have graduated from an accredited high school or equivalent
- A grade of at least C must be earned in each of the required courses while maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 (see Guide for Transfer Student (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/students/dental-hygiene/>))
- Must have a minimum of 20 hours of shadowing experience

- Must have previously completed an associate or bachelor's degree prior to enrolling in the program.
- Casper Test by Altus
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) examination if high school attended was not in the U.S.
- Three letters of recommendation from 2 professors and 1 employer using the institutional form.
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First Year		
First Semester		
DHCT 2101	Pre-Clinical Technique	5

DHCT 2103	Oral Disease Prevention I	3
DHCT 2105	Dental Radiology I	2
DHCT 2107	Head and Neck Anatomy	2
DHCT 2108	Oral Histology and Embryology	2
DHCT 2109	Dental Anatomy	3
Hours		17
Second Semester		
DHCT 2201	Clinical Practice I	3
DHCT 2202	Clinical Seminar I	3
DHCT 2205	Dental Radiology II	1
DHCT 2206	General Oral Pathology	3
DHCT 2209	Dental Emergencies	2
DHCT 2210	Oral Disease Prevention II	1
DHCT 2211	Periodontology	3
Hours		16
Third Semester		
DHCT 2300	Clinical Seminar II	2
DHCT 2301	Clinical Practice II	3
DHCT 2306	Dental Materials	3
Hours		8
Second Year		
First Semester		
DHCT 3301	Clinical Practice III	4
DHCT 3302	Clinical Seminar III	2
DHCT 3303	Community Dental Health	3
DHCT 3308	Pharmacology	2
DHCT 3310	Applied Nutrition	1
DHCT 3311	Special Needs Patients	2
Hours		14
Second Semester		
DHCT 3401	Clinical Practice IV	4
DHCT 3402	Clinical Seminar IV	1
DHCT 3403	Community Dental Health Practice	2
DHCT 3406	Applied Oral Pathology	1
DHCT 3407	Current Applications in Dental Hygiene	2
DHCT 3408	Practice Management	2
Hours		12
Total Hours		67

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- The candidate must have discharged all of the financial obligations to UTSD and/or UTHealth Houston; and
- The candidate must have a sustained record of satisfactory professional and ethical behavior.

Dental Hygiene (RDH to BSDH Program)

RDH to BSDH applicants will be considered for admission upon satisfactory completion of the following requirements:

- The application for this program opens online **Nov. 1** and closes on **June 1** for August entry of the same year. All prerequisites must be completed by **May 31** before the start of the fall semester.
- An associate's degree or certificate in dental hygiene from a program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in all dental hygiene courses. Dental hygiene students currently enrolled in a program may be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- An active RDH license or ability to secure a license in the first semester of enrollment.
- GPA of **2.75** or higher in the prerequisite courses listed below. These courses must be completed at a **regionally accredited** institution before enrollment.
- Completion of the Texas General Education Core Curriculum. More information can be found at Texas General Education Core Curriculum (<http://board.theccb.state.tx.us/apps/TCC/>).
- One letter of recommendation from a professor using the institutional form can be found here (https://www.uth.edu/registrar/docs/dhyg_ref.pdf).
- Print and fill out your portion of the form and give it to the person writing the recommendation. The person completing the recommendation should send the completed recommendation form to the UTHealth Office of the Registrar. The official university form must be submitted.
- Applicants outside of Texas **MUST** reside in a participating National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) state to be accepted into our program. To see if your state participates, or to get more information, please visit NC-SARA (<https://www.nc-sara.org/>).

Curriculum

RDH to BSDH - Online

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
DHDC 4501	Introduction to Health Care Teaching	3
DHDC 4502	Ethics and Leadership	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
DHDC 4503	Professional Communications	3
DHDC 4505	Seminar in Education I	3
Hours		6
Third Semester		
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
Hours		3
Second Year		
First Semester		
DHDC 4506	Clinical Laboratory Teaching	3
DHDC 4507	Clinical Laboratory Teaching Practicum	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
DHDC 4508	Seminar in Education II	3
DHDC 4509	Education Practicum	4
Hours		7
Third Semester		
DHDC 4510	Capstone	3
Hours		3
Total Hours		31

Graduation Requirements

RDH to BSDH Program

To be eligible for graduation, a student must complete the following requirements:

- The candidate must, in the opinion of the faculty, have satisfactorily completed the prescribed curriculum of the respective UTSD Dental Hygiene Program.
- The candidate must have a C (2.0) grade point average.
- The candidate must have 128 SCH to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Dental Hygiene.
- The candidate must have completed a minimum of two semesters at UTSD.
- The candidate must have discharged all of the financial obligations to UTSD and/or UTHealth Houston and
- The candidate must have a sustained record of satisfactory professional and ethical behavior.
- The candidate can enroll full or part-time but must complete the program within five years.

Advanced Education Programs

The UTSD Postgraduate Program offers three types of programs designed for the postgraduate dentist who wishes to pursue additional education: graduate (degree/certificate), postgraduate (certificate), and residency (certificate).

Graduate

The graduate programs lead to a Master of Science in Dentistry (MSD) degree and a Certificate in a specialty area of dentistry. The programs are designed to meet eligibility requirements for examination by the particular American Specialty Board and accreditation standards of the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The following clinical specialties are offered: Endodontics, Periodontics, and Prosthodontics

The curriculum in the graduate programs varies between programs based upon discipline specific requirements. Orientation in research methodology and human subjects' research is required for students pursuing a graduate degree. A thesis is required and the total length of the program varies with the area of specialty. The minimum period of study is 26 months, depending on the requirements of the particular specialty. Graduate programs are combined programs and under no circumstances are the Degree and Certificate awarded separately.

Postgraduate

The postgraduate programs lead to certificate in general dentistry or in a specialty area, and an optional Master of Science in Dentistry degree consisting primarily of basic science courses, clinical science courses and seminars, and a clinical program designed to meet eligibility requirements for examination by the particular American Specialty Board and accreditation standards of the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The following specialties are offered: Orthodontics, and Pediatric Dentistry. General Dentistry programs include the Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) and the General Practice Residency (GPR). A thesis is required if a Master of Science in Dentistry degree. Orientation in research methodology and human subjects' research is required for students pursuing a specialty certificate. The award of the certificate is contingent upon satisfactory completion of the required basic and clinical science courses, clinical conferences, appropriate clinical training

for the area of specialization and research project (if required by the department).

Residency

The Residency programs lead to a Certificate and consist primarily of basic science courses, clinical science courses and a clinical program designed to meet eligibility requirements for examination by the particular American Specialty Board (if applicable) and accreditation standards of the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The following specialty program is offered Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Oral Pathology. Four-year Certificate and six-year combined MD/Certificate Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery programs are included. The awarding of a Certificate is contingent upon satisfactory completion of requirements of both programs.

Application Procedure

All programs require application through the Postdoctoral Application Support Service (PASS). Applications for PASS can be found here (<https://www.adea.org/PASSapp/applicants/>).

Programs in GPR, AEGD, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Pediatric Dentistry, and Orthodontics participate in the National Matching Service for final selection. Registration forms can be found here (<http://www.natmatch.com/>).

National Matching Services
595 Bay Street, Suite 300
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5G 2C2
(416) 977-3431

Applicants applying to programs participating in the Match must register separately with the National Matching Services in addition to completing the required PASS application. An application fee is required for the PASS application.

Application Deadlines

All deadlines are listed in the program profiles in the ADEA PASS Search Engine and in the Program Designations section of the application. ADEA PASS must receive the completed electronic application, payment and all required documents by the listed deadline.

Applicants to graduate programs leading to a Master of Science in Dentistry Degree may be required to take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). The GRE requirement is determined by the individual programs. Information regarding the GRE can be obtained from:

Educational Testing Service
Box 955
Princeton, New Jersey 08540
or online here (<http://www.gre.org>).

Criteria for Acceptance

Generally, applicants for advanced education programs at UTSD are considered on the basis of the following criteria:

- Completed Application
- Dental School Grade Point Average
- Dental School Class Standing
- Pattern of Academic Achievement
- National Board Scores
- Graduate Record Examination (if applicable)

- Experience and Training
- Recommendations
- Specific Program Requirements
- Personal Interview

Expenses

Tuition, Required Fees, and Student Services Fees

For the most current UTSD Tuition and Fee schedule lists, refer to the Bursar's Office website (<https://www.uth.edu/bursars/student-resources/tuition-fees/>). Payment of tuition and fees during the summer session may be paid through the following alternatives: one full payment of tuition and fees in advance of the beginning of the 12-week Summer session, or two one-half payments of tuition and fees in advance of the beginning of the Summer session. Tuition is subject to change according to the actions of the Texas State Legislature or the UT System Board of Regents.

For Cost of Attendance (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/cost-of-attendance.htm>) (COA) and other financial information, please refer to the UTHealth Houston Student Financial Services (<https://www.uth.edu/sfs/>) website. The COA is the estimated cost of a student's educational and living expenses for enrollment. It includes tuition, fees, books/supplies, room and board, and other costs.

Student Health Insurance Program

The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System mandates health insurance for all students enrolled in the UT System health components. As such, each UTHealth student who cannot provide evidence of coverage under another approved plan will be enrolled in the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) with Academic Health Plans and assessed a health insurance fee. For more information regarding Student Health Insurance, you can go to the Registrar's website here (<https://www.uth.edu/registrar/current-students/student-information/health-insurance.htm>) and the Auxiliary Enterprises Student Insurance website here (<https://www.uth.edu/auxiliary-enterprises/insurance/>).

Advanced Education Scholarships

There are several scholarships available to the advanced education students at the School of Dentistry. The Heyl G. Tebo Endowed Scholarship is awarded annually. The recipient(s) are selected by the Advanced Education Committee. Recommendations of the committee are then forwarded to the Dean. To be eligible for consideration, the applicant must have completed the first year of his/her advanced education program. Selection criteria include academic excellence, clinical excellence, professionalism, and financial need. Preference is given to native-born Texans. Applications are available from the Program Director and the Office of Advanced Education/Student & Academic Affairs. Department Specific scholarships are also available. Please see Program Director for criteria.

Academic Standards

Grading System

The conversion of numerical grades to letter grades is as follows: A=100-94, B=93-85, C=84-76, D=75-70, F=69 and below. Letter grades given for basic and clinical science courses. An "A" = 4.0 quality points per semester hour; a "B" = 3.0 quality points; a "C" = 2.0 quality points; and a "D" = 1.0 quality point. Grades of "F" do not carry quality points and "I" (incomplete) indicates unfinished work.

Research, thesis, seminars, special project courses, literature surveys, and comprehensive oral examinations are graded Pass/Fail. Each clinical specialty department has the discretion to grade clinical rotations on a Pass/Fail or letter grade basis.

Grades of D or F must be removed by re-examination, repeating instruction, and/or additional work to the satisfaction of the course director. It is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor within ten school days to arrange for remediation. The final grade will be the average of the "D" or "F" and the remake grade, but in no case may the final grade be higher than a "C." A grade of "I" (incomplete) may be assigned when required work has not been completed. In these instances, requirements must be met within one semester and any appropriate grade may be assigned by the instructor. Failure to remove the "I" will result in a final grade of "F" on the transcript.

A student may withdraw from a course with permission of the department chairperson up to the midpoint of the semester. A grade of "WP" (withdrawn passing) or "WF" (withdrawn failing) will be assigned to indicate status. After the semester midpoint, the course must be continued and a final grade will be assigned in the course at semester end. Students on academic probation as described below may not withdraw after the first two weeks of a course.

Grade Requirements

To receive a Master of Science in Dentistry degree and/or Postgraduate Certificate in an advanced education program, a student must have at least a "B" (3.0) cumulative grade point average. A minimum grade of "C" must be attained in all courses. Students not meeting this standard will be required to retake the course at its next offered time.

A student will be placed on academic probation at the end of any semester in which the cumulative GPA is below 3.0. A student will be considered for dismissal

1. if the cumulative GPA is below a 3.0 for three consecutive semesters;
2. for failure to remove grades of "I" or "F" in the designated time period of one semester;
3. upon receipt a grade of "F", and/or
4. for serious scholastic, clinical, or professionalism/ethics difficulties as determined by the Department and administration.

Appeal Process

Students (except those participating in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency Program) may appeal any academic action to the Associate Dean for Student & Academic Affairs, in writing, within three calendar days after receipt of their letter stating specific academic actions. The letter should present the basis upon which the appeal is being requested. If the Associate Dean for Student & Academic Affairs grants the appeal, the following process will apply. If the appeal is approved the student must provide the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs a "complete" appeal, which includes a written statement clearly explaining all rationale for the appeal and any additional documentation the student possesses that the student believes supports the student's rationale for the appeal.

The Associate Dean for Student & Academic Affairs will refer the appeal to an ad hoc appeals committee consisting of the Director of Advanced Education, who will serve as chair, and three additional program directors appointed by the Director of Advanced Education. The director of the involved program will not be eligible to serve on the ad hoc appeals committee. The committee will review the circumstances leading to the

academic action, meet with the student and other involved individuals, and submit a final recommendation to the Dean within seven calendar days of the final committee meeting. The student will be notified of the Dean's decision within ten calendar days following receipt of the committee's recommendations. The Dean's decision is final.

The student, upon written request to appeal and subsequent approval in writing from the Associate Dean for Student and Academic Affairs, may continue academic studies while the appeal of an academic action is under review and until the student receives notification of a final decision by the Dean.

If after the appeals process is completed an academic action of dismissal is upheld, a dismissed student must immediately discontinue participating in all UTSD educational activities. All personal belongings must be removed from the UTSD facilities immediately following receipt of the final decision of the Dean. If the decision is to repeat the year, then the student must arrange for enrollment, financial payments, registration, and the removal of any holds on their records. The student will be responsible for payment of tuition and fees for the year they are required to repeat. If a decision of remediation is rendered the student will then work with the appropriate course director(s) to complete the remediation.

Individuals participating in the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency Program will be subject to the policies and provisions of the program as described in the OMFS residency manual.

Curriculum

The curriculum consists of basic and clinical science courses, conferences, hospital rotations, and clinical conferences that meet the requirements for examination by the various American Specialty Boards and Commission on Dental Accreditation. The courses are scheduled on an academic year basis from July 1 to June 30, and are conducted according to the School of Dentistry academic calendar. Basic and clinical science courses, hospital rotations, clinical activities, and clinical resident conferences may be added, deleted, or modified at the discretion of the school. The official listings of courses available in a given semester are published online by the Office of the Registrar.

Note: In addition to basic and clinical science courses and seminars required by the Advanced Education Program, all advanced education students are required to be trained in human subjects and research ethics offered during orientation.

Courses of Instruction/Description

Courses of instruction are identified by an eight-digit number. The first four characters indicate the school and program; the first two numbers indicate the specialty area of the basic and clinical sciences in a numerical range of 01-99, and the last two numbers indicate the numerical sequence of the courses offered by the respective basic and clinical sciences specialty or department in a numerical range of 01-99.

Note: Course descriptions are intended to represent skills and knowledge that should accompany successful completion of the course and should not be construed as a guarantee or warranty by UTHealth of the required level of achievement by every student.

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The basic and clinical science courses, clinical activities, clinical conferences, and hospital rotation may vary according to changes dictated by requirements for accreditation by the particular American Specialty Board.

Graduation Requirements

Degree: The minimum requirement for the Master of Science in Dentistry Degree (MSD) is 30 semester hours, 24 of which must be in basic and clinical science courses, with a minimum grade point average of B (3.0). Actual hours required for the Master of Science in Dentistry Degree are defined within the specific programs. In addition, four hours of research (six for Periodontics) and two hours for acceptable thesis, the latter awarded in the terminal semester, is required. At departmental discretion, additional assignments may be made. All requirements are expected to be completed within the program time frame.

Exceptions or extensions may only be granted through approval by the program director and the Director of Advanced Education.

Certificate: The minimum requirement is completion of basic and clinical science courses with a minimum grade point average of B (3.0) and departmental clinical conferences and seminars required by the specialty department. Actual hours required for completion of the certificate programs are defined within the specific programs. Demonstration of satisfactory clinical proficiency, satisfactory completion of additional departmental assignments and, at the discretion of the department, completion of an orientation in research methodology and submission of a paper suitable for publication are also required.

Degree/Certificate: Combination of requirements outlined above.

In addition to basic and clinical science courses and seminars required by the Advanced Education Programs, all advanced education students are required to be trained in human subjects and research ethics. The training requires attendance at the research methodology seminars (literature review, research protocol, human subjects, and research ethics) offered during the summer term and completing the certification offered found here (<https://www.uth.edu/cphs/for-researchers/training.htm>).

Endodontics (Advanced Education Program)

26 Month Program

The Advanced Education Program in Endodontics is an academically intense 26-month Advanced Education Program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. It leads to the award of a Specialty Certificate in Endodontics and a Master of Science in Dentistry degree. Award of the Certificate and Degree requires completion of 68 semester hours of formal courses.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1101	Anatomy: Head and Neck (Course Fee: \$500)	3
DBPG 1304	Oral Biomaterials - Endodontics	1
DBPG 1804	Pulp Biology	1
DBPG 1001	Conscious Sedation I	1
DBPG 2004A	Preclinical Graduate Endodontics	1
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
Hours		10
Fall		
DBPG 1106	Cell/Developmental Biology	1
DBPG 1110	Oral Biology: Devl, Struct, Functn Tissue	1
DBPG 1115	Advances Basic Sciences I	3
DBPG 1002	Conscious Sedation II: (Pharm/Physiol)	1
DBPG 2001A	Endodontic Clinic I	4

DBPG 2006A	Topical Seminar in Endodontics	1
DBPG 2008A	Current Literature Seminar	1
Hours		12
Spring		
DBPG 1116	Advanced Basic Sciences II	4
DBPG 2001B	Endodontic Clinic I	4
DBPG 2005	Endodontic Surgery	1
DBPG 2006B	Topical Seminar in Endodontics	1
DBPG 2008B	Current Literature Seminar	1
Hours		11
Second Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
DBPG 2002A	Endodontic Clinic II	4
Hours		6
Fall		
DBPG 1612	Graduate Oral Pathology	2
DBPG 2002B	Endodontic Clinic II	5
DBPG 2006C	Topical Seminar in Endodontics	1
DBPG 2008C	Current Literature Seminar	1
DBPG 1911A	Research - Endodontics	2
DBPG 2007	Endodontic Practice Management	1
Hours		12
Spring		
DBPG 2002C	Endodontic Clinic II	7
DBPG 2006D	Topical Seminar in Endodontics	1
DBPG 2008D	Current Literature Seminar	1
DBPG 1911B	Research - Endodontics	2
Hours		11
Third Year		
Summer		
DBPG 2003A	Endodontic Clinic III	4
DBPG 1912A	Thesis - Endodontics ¹	2
Hours		6
Total Hours		68

¹ Master of Science in Dentistry Degree only

Practice Teaching

Semester schedules are published by the Program Director.

Written and oral progress evaluation are performed each semester by the Program Director.

Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology (Advanced Education Program)

3 Year Program

The Advanced Education Program in Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology is an academically intense 3-year Advanced Education Program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. It leads to the award of a Specialty Certificate. Award of the Certificate requires completion of 72 semester credit hours of formal courses.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 9001	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IA	3
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
	Hours	6
Fall		
DBPG 9002	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IB	3
DBPG 9008	Topics in Oral Pathology IA	1
DBPG 1612	Graduate Oral Pathology	2
DBPG 1115	Advances Basic Sciences I	3
	Hours	9
Spring		
DBPG 9003	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IC	3
DBPG 9009	Topics in Oral Pathology IB	1
DBPG 1008	Graduate Oral Radiology	1
DBPG 1116	Advanced Basic Sciences II	4
	Hours	9
Second Year		
Summer		
DBPG 9004	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIA	3
DBPG 9010	Topics in Oral Pathology IIA	1
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
	Hours	6
Fall		
DBPG 9005	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIB	6
DBPG 9011	Topics in Oral Pathology IIB	1
DBPG 1106	Cell/Developmental Biology	1
DBPG 1110	Oral Biology: Devl, Struct, Functn Tissue	1
	Hours	9
Spring		
DBPG 9016	Anatomic Pathology Rotation A	9
	Hours	9
Third Year		
Summer		
DBPG 9017	Anatomic Pathology Rotation B	6
	Hours	6
Fall		
DBPG 9006	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIIA	6
DBPG 9012	Topics in Oral Pathology IIIB	1
DBPG 9014	Oral Pathology Research A	1
DBPG 1007	Practice Management	1
	Hours	9
Spring		
DBPG 9007	Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIIB	7
DBPG 9013	Topics in Oral Pathology IIIB	1
DBPG 9015	Oral Pathology Research B	1
	Hours	9
	Total Hours	72

1. The Program Director publishes semester schedules.
2. The Program Director completes satisfactory written and oral progress evaluations after consultation with the appropriate faculty.

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (Advanced Education Program)

Four-year and six-year Advanced Education Programs in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS) are offered.

In the four-year Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program, residents spend the first year performing oral and maxillofacial surgery. In the second and third years, 12 months are spent on various off-service rotations such as medicine, anesthesia, neurosurgery, and general surgery. The final year consists of 12 months of oral and maxillofacial surgery at a "chief resident" level. Upon completing the four-year program, residents receive an Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery certificate.

The six-year Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery program adopts a schedule similar to the four-year program, with the primary difference consisting of requirements for obtaining an MD degree while receiving a certificate in OMFS. The program is offered jointly through UTSD and McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston. The first year is spent with the Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Department. In the second, third, and fourth years, residents are enrolled in McGovern Medical School, completing years two, three, and four of the medical school curriculum. During the fourth year of medical school, eight months are provided to fulfill requirements related to the oral and maxillofacial surgery residency, such as rotations on neurosurgery and anesthesia. The fifth year of the residency is a surgical internship, including an eight-month Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery rotation. In the sixth year, the resident serves as a chief resident with rotations to six hospitals. Upon completing the six-year program, residents receive an Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery certificate and an MD degree.

Further information on the four-year or six-year OMFS program may be found on the UTSD website (<https://dentistry.uth.edu/students/advanced-education/programs/#students-oms>).

The six-year OMFS/MD candidate must meet the admissions requirements for McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston, which include:

- A minimum of 90 undergraduate credit hours at an accredited U.S. or Canadian university or college.
- One-year college English.
- Two years college biology.
- One-year physics.
- Two years college chemistry (one-year general chemistry and one-year organic chemistry).

Four-Year Program

The four-year advanced education (residency) program in oral and maxillofacial surgery requires satisfactory completion of the following for award of the OMFS specialty certificate:

Schedule of Department Conferences

1. Orthognathic Surgery Seminar

Mondays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM

UTSD, Room 6520

The goals and objectives of the Orthognathic Surgery Seminar are:

1. To provide residents with a comprehensive didactic experience in the diagnosis and combined surgical-orthognathic management of patients with cranio-maxillofacial and cleft deformities,
2. to provide an interactive environment for members of the Departments of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Orthodontics to discuss and formulate treatment plans for actual clinical cases and
3. to provide an interactive environment for members of the Department of OMS and Orthodontics to audit the results of combined cases.

2. OMS Seminar

Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM
UTSD, Room 6520

The OMS Seminar series is organized into two categories of lectures. The core category is conducted in the first three months of the academic year and covers essential material required by junior grade residents to function on-call and in a hospital environment. Upper level residents find these lectures a helpful review of basic material. The second category of lectures is composed of a series of rotating topics in all the major subject areas of the specialty. These topics will be repeated every three years, enabling all residents to hear the lectures at least twice during their residency. The goal of this conference is to provide residents with in-depth knowledge in these selected areas. Invited speakers from other specialties and institutions are often featured during this seminar.

3. Clinico-Pathologic-Conference
Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM
TMH

The goals and objectives of the CPC are to review the diagnosis and management of oral pathology. These sessions are presented by residents who gain experience in oral presentation techniques and computerized slide making. The question and answer sessions which follow the presentation are opportunities for Socratic teaching and are felt to help residents prepare for future oral examinations.

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4 Year OMFS Certificate Program Outline

Year	Activity	Duration
PGY1	OMS	12 months
PGY 2	Internal Medicine	3 months
PGY 2	Anesthesia	4 months
PGY 2	Neurosurgery	1 month
PGY 2	OMS	4 months
PGY 3	OMS	7 months
PGY 3	Pediatric Anesthesia	1 month
PGY 3	General Surgery	4 months
PGY 4	OMS Chief Residency	12 months

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery – OMFS/MD Program with McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston

Six-Year Program

The six-year OMFS/MD candidate must meet the admissions requirements for McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston. More detailed information may be found on the McGovern Medical School website (<https://med.uth.edu/surgery/education/residency/oral-and-maxillofacial-surgery-residency/>).

The UTSD six-year advanced education program in oral and maxillofacial surgery requires satisfactory completion of the following for the award of the MD degree from McGovern Medical School and OMFS specialty certificate (OMFS/MD):

Schedule of Department Conferences

1. Orthognathic Surgery Seminar
Mondays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM

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The goals and objectives of the Orthognathic Surgery Seminar are:

1. To provide residents with a comprehensive didactic experience in the diagnosis and combined surgical-orthognathic management of patients with cranio-maxillofacial and cleft deformities,
2. to provide an interactive environment for members of the Departments of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Orthodontics to discuss and formulate treatment plans for actual clinical cases and
3. to provide an interactive environment for members of the Department of OMS and Orthodontics to audit the results of combined cases.

2. OMS Seminar
Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM
MSB 2.135

The OMS Seminar series is organized into two categories of lectures. The core category is conducted in the first three months of the academic year and covers essential material required by junior grade residents to function on-call and in a hospital environment. Upper level residents find these lectures a helpful review of basic material. The second category of lectures is composed of a series of rotating topics in all the major subject areas of the specialty. These topics will be repeated every three years, enabling all residents to hear the lectures at least twice during their residency. The goal of this conference is to provide residents with in-depth knowledge in these selected areas. Invited speakers from other specialties and institutions are often featured during this seminar.

3. Clinico-Pathologic-Conference
Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:00 AM
TMH, Dunn/Guadalupe-Pecos

The goals and objectives of the CPC are to review the diagnosis and management of oral pathology. These sessions are presented by residents who gain experience in oral presentation techniques and computerized slide making. The question and answer sessions which follow the presentation are opportunities for Socratic teaching and are felt to help residents prepare for future oral examinations.

4. M&M Conference
Final Tuesday of every other 7:00 – 8:00
MSB 2.135

The bi-monthly Morbidity and Mortality Conference presented by the chief residents. Each resident summarizes the clinical activity of the hospital services and reports on any morbidity or mortality. Significant morbidity is the discussed in a mini-presentation with an analysis of events, recommendation for corrective action and a relevant literature review. These discussions are developed with the assistance and approval of the faculty member responsible for the case.

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Integrated OMFS/MD Program Outline

Year	Activity	Duration
PGY 1	OMS	12 months
PGY 2	OMS	2 months
PGY 2	MS II (USMLE Step 1)	10 months
PGY 3	MS III	12 months
PGY 4	MS 4 (USMLE Step 2)	3 months

PGY 4	Neurosurgery	1 month
PGY 4	Anesthesia (OMS Rotation)	4 months
PGY 4	OMS	4 months
PGY 4	Pedi Anesthesia	1 month
PGY 5	General Surgery Internship (USMLE Step 3)	4 months
PGY 5	OMS	7 months
PGY 6	OMS Chief Residency	12 months

Orthodontics (Advanced Education Program)

26-Month Program

The Advanced Education Program in Orthodontics is an academically intense 26-month Advanced Education Program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. It leads to a Specialty Certificate in Orthodontics award and an optional Master of Science in Dentistry degree. Award of the Certificate requires completion of 86 semester hours, and a Master of Science degree requires 88 semester hours of formal courses.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1101	Anatomy: Head and Neck (Course Fee \$500)	3
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
DBPG 5001A	Orthodontics Clinic I	3
DBPG 5010	Topics in Orthodontics I	2
Hours		11
Fall		
DBPG 1106	Cell/Developmental Biology	1
DBPG 1110	Oral Biology: Devl, Struct, Functn Tissue	1
DBPG 1305	Oral Biomaterials - Orthodontics Biomechanics and Materials	2
DBPG 1009	Interdisciplinary Research Seminar I	1
DBPG 4002A	Orthognathic Seminar	1
DBPG 5001B	Orthodontics Clinic I	5
DBPG 5005A	Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics I	1
DBPG 5011	Topics in Orthodontics II	4
Hours		16
Spring		
DBPG 1010	Interdisciplinary Research Seminar II	1
DBPG 4002B	Orthognathic Seminar	1
DBPG 5001C	Orthodontics Clinic I	5
DBPG 5005B	Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics II	1
DBPG 5012	Topics in Orthodontic III	4
DBPG 5016	Craniofacial Growth & Devel I	2
DBPG 5020	Orthodontic Practice Management	1
Hours		15
Second Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
DBPG 5002A	Orthodontics Clinic II	5
DBPG 5013	Topics in Orthodontics IV	2
Hours		9
Fall		
DBPG 1612	Graduate Oral Pathology	2

DBPG 1011	Interdisciplinary Research Seminar III	1
DBPG 4002C	Orthognathic Seminar	1
DBPG 5002B	Orthodontics Clinic II	5
DBPG 5005C	Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics III	1
DBPG 5014	Topics in Orthodontics V	4
DBPG 5017	Craniofacial Growth & Devel II	2
Hours		16
Spring		
DBPG 1911A	Research - Orthodontics	2
DBPG 1008	Graduate Oral Radiology	1
DBPG 1012	Interdisciplinary Research Seminar IV	1
DBPG 4002D	Orthognathic Seminar	1
DBPG 5002C	Orthodontics Clinic II	5
DBPG 5005D	Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics IV	1
DBPG 5015	Topics in Orthodontics VI	4
Hours		15
Third Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1911B	Research - Orthodontics	2
DBPG 1912A	Thesis - Orthodontics ¹	2
DBPG 5003	Orthodontic Clinic III	2
Hours		6
Total Hours		88

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Research/Thesis

Candidates for the Master of Science in Dentistry Degree must complete an original research project, write the thesis, and submit a publishable research version to the Department.

Candidates for the certificate in orthodontics must complete a research project and submit a publishable version of the Department's research activity.

The program director publishes semester schedules.

The Program Director completes satisfactory written and oral progress evaluations quarterly after consultation with the appropriate faculty.

Pediatric Dentistry (Advanced Education Program)

Two-Year Program

The Advanced Education Program in Pediatric Dentistry is an academically intense 24-month Advanced Education Program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. It leads to the award of a Specialty Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry and an optional Master of Science in Dentistry degree. Award of the Certificate requires completion of 51 semester credit hours and a Master of Science in Dentistry requires 53 semester credit hours for completion.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
DBPG 1115	Advances Basic Sciences I	3
DBPG 1612	Graduate Oral Pathology	2
DBPG 1002	Conscious Sedation II: (Pharm/Physiol)	1
DBPG 6001B	Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I	2

DBPG 6005A	Pediatric Clinic I	1
DBPG 6007A	Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent I	1
Hours		10
Spring		
DBPG 1008	Graduate Oral Radiology	1
DBPG 5016	Craniofacial Growth & Devel I	2
DBPG 6001C	Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I	2
DBPG 6005C	Pediatric Clinic I	3
DBPG 6007B	Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent I	1
Hours		9
Summer		
DBPG 1001	Conscious Sedation I	1
DBPG 6001A	Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I	2
DBPG 6005A	Pediatric Clinic I	1
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
DBPG 1101	Anatomy: Head and Neck	3
Hours		9
Second Year		
Fall		
DBPG 6017	Pediatric Seminar In Craniofacial Development II	2
DBPG 6001E	Topics in Pediatric Dentistry II	2
DBPG 6006B	Pediatric Clinic II	2
DBPG 6007D	Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent II	1
DBPG 1911A	Research - Pediatrics	2
Hours		9
Spring		
DBPG 6001F	Topics in Pediatric Dentistry II	2
DBPG 6006C	Pediatric Clinic II	2
DBPG 6007E	Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent II	1
DBPG 1911B	Research - Pediatrics	2
DBPG 1912A	Thesis - Pediatrics ¹	2
Hours		9
Summer		
DBPG 6001D	Topics in Pediatric Dentistry II	2
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
DBPG 6006A	Pediatric Clinic II	1
DBPG 6007C	Current and Classical Literature Review in Pediatric Dentistry II	1
Hours		7
Total Hours		53

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Annual schedules are published by the Program Director to include clinical rotations.

Written progress evaluations are completed each semester by the Program Director in consultation with the graduate faculty.

Periodontics (Advanced Education Program)

Three Year Program

The Advanced Education (graduate) Program requires satisfactory completion of the following for the award of the Master of Science in Dentistry degree and a specialty certificate. The award of the certificate requires completion of 77 semester credit hours, and the Master of Science in Dentistry requires 79 semester credit hours.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1101	Anatomy: Head and Neck (Course Fee \$500)	3
DBPG 1001	Conscious Sedation I	1
DBPG 7001A	Periodontics Clinic I	1
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
Periodontial Therapy I		
Treatment Planning Class with Perio Faculty		
Physical Diagnosis at VA Hospital		
Ortho-Perio Conference		
Hours		8
Fall		
DBPG 1612	Graduate Oral Pathology	2
DBPG 1115	Advances Basic Sciences I	3
DBPG 1002	Conscious Sedation II: (Pharm/Physiol)	1
DBPG 7001B	Periodontics Clinic I	3
DBPG 7009A	Topical Seminar in Periodontics	2
Physical Diagnosis at VA-continues		
Current Literature		
Clinical Conference		
Bering Clinic Rotation		
Graduate Introduction to Implant Prosthodontics		
Mucocutaneous Clinic		
Advanced Implant Lecture Series		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
Implant Board Meeting		
Perio/AEGD/GPR Class		
Ortho-Perio Conference		
Hours		11
Spring		
DBPG 1116	Advanced Basic Sciences II	4
DBPG 7001C	Periodontics Clinic I	3
DBPG 7008	Dental Implants Lecture Series	2
DBPG 7009B	Topical Seminar in Periodontics	2
DBPG 8006A	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
Clinical Conference		
Bering Clinic Rotation		
Mucocutaneous Clinic		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
ACLS Class in January		
Implant Board Meeting		
Perio/AEGD/GPR Class		
Graduate Occlusion-Dr. Ronald C. Auvenshine		
OrthoPerio Conference		
Hours		12
Second Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1911A	Research - Periodontics	2
DBPG 7002A	Periodontics Clinic II	4
Bering Clinic Rotation		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
OrthoPerio Conference		
Hours		6
Fall		
DBPG 1106	Cell/Developmental Biology	1
DBPG 1110	Oral Biology:Devl, Struct, Functn Tissue	1
DBPG 7002B	Periodontics Clinic II	5
DBPG 7009C	Topical Seminar in Periodontics	2
Current Literature		
Clinical Conference		
Bering Clinic Rotation		

Mucocutaneous Clinic		
Advanced Implant Lecture Series		
Clinical Conference Oral Boards		
Implant Board Meeting		
Perio/AEGD/GPR Class		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
OrthoPerio Conference		
Hours		9
Spring		
DBPG 1911B	Research - Periodontics	1
DBPG 7002C	Periodontics Clinic II	5
DBPG 7009D	Topical Seminar in Periodontics	2
DBPG 8006B	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
Current Literature		
Clinical Conference		
Bering Clinic Rotation		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
Mucocutaneous Clinic		
Graduate Occlusion-Dr. Ronald C. Auvenshine		
Implant Board Meeting		
Perio/AEGD/GPR Class		
AAP In-Service Exam		
OrthoPerio Conference		
Hours		9
Third Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1911C	Research - Periodontics	1
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
DBPG 7003A	Periodontics Clinic III	3
Bering Clinic Rotation		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
OrthoPiero Conference		
Hours		6
Fall		
DBPG 1911D	Research - Periodontics	1
DBPG 1007	Practice Management	1
DBPG 7003B	Periodontics Clinic III	5
DBPG 7009E	Topical Seminar in Periodontics	2
Current Literature		
Clinical Conference		
Clinical Conference Oral Boards		
Bering Clinic Rotation		
Mucocutaneous Clinic		
Implant Board Meeting		
LBJ Rotation		
Perio/AEGD/GPR Class		
OrthoPerio Conference		
Hours		9
Spring		
DBPG 1911E	Research - Periodontics	1
DBPG 1912A	Thesis - Periodontics	2
DBPG 7003C	Periodontics Clinic III	5
DBPG 8006C	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
Current Literature		
Clinical Conference		
Clinical Conference Oral Boards		
Bering Dental Clinic Rotation		
Dental Hygiene Supervision		
Mucocutaneous Clinic		
Graduate Occlusion-Dr. Ronald C. Auvenshine		
Implant Board Meeting		
Perio/AEGD/GPR Class		

AAP In-Service Exams	
OrthoPerio Conference	
Hours	9
Total Hours	79

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Practice Teaching - Students will engage in teaching, continuing education, and community education.

The Program Director publishes annual/semester schedules.

The Program Director performs written and oral progress evaluations at the end of each semester.

Prosthodontics (Advanced Education Program)

Three-Year Program

The Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics is an academically intense three-year Advanced Education Program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. It leads to the award of a Specialty Certificate in Prosthodontics and a Master of Science Degree. Award of the Certificate requires completion of 72 semester credit hours, and the Master of Science in Dentistry requires completion of 74 semester credit hours.

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1101	Anatomy: Head and Neck (Course Fee \$500)	3
DBPG 8010	Graduate Prosthodontics I	2
DBPG 5352	Biostatistics for Dental Professionals	3
Hours		8
Fall		
DBPG 1115	Advances Basic Sciences I	3
DBPG 1612	Graduate Oral Pathology	2
DBPG 8001A	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic I	4
Classical Prosthodontic Literature Review I		
Study Club I		
Graduate Prosthodontic Resident Case Presentation Conference I		
Graduate Implantology Seminar		
Graduate Prosthodontic Treatment Planning Conference I		
Current Prosthodontic Literature Review I		
Hours		9
Spring		
DBPG 1116	Advanced Basic Sciences II	4
DBPG 8001B	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic I	2
DBPG 8006A	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
DBPG 7008	Dental Implants Lecture Series	2
Classical Prosthodontic Literature Review I		
Current Prosthodontic Literature Review I		
Study Club I		
Graduate Prosthodontic Resident Case Presentation Conference I		
Graduate Prosthodontic Treatment Planning Conference I		
Pre-doctoral Teaching		
Hours		9
Second Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
DBPG 8002A	Graduate Pros Clinic II	3

DBPG 1001	Conscious Sedation I	1
Hours		6
Fall		
DBPG 1002	Conscious Sedation II: (Pharm/Physiol)	1
DBPG 1106	Cell/Developmental Biology	1
DBPG 1911A	Research - Prosthodontics	2
DBPG 1110	Oral Biology:Devl, Struct, Functn Tissue	1
DBPG 8002B	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic II	4
Current Prosthodontic Literature Review II		
Graduate Prosthodontic Resident Case Presentation Conference II		
Graduate Prosthodontic Treatment Planning Conference II		
Classical Prosthodontic Literature Review II		
Pre-doctoral teaching		
Hours		9
Spring		
DBPG 1911B	Research - Prosthodontics	2
DBPG 8002C	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic II	6
DBPG 8006B	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
Current Prosthodontic Literature Review II		
Graduate Prosthodontic Resident Case Presentation Conference II		
Graduate Prosthodontic Treatment Planning Conference II		
Hours		9
Third Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1911C	Research - Prosthodontics	2
DBPG 8005A	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III	4
Hours		6
Fall		
DBPG 1911D	Research - Prosthodontics	2
DBPG 8005B	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III	7
Current Prosthodontic Literature Review III		
Classical Prosthodontic Literature Review III		
Graduate Prosthodontic Resident Case Presentation Conference III		
Graduate Prosthodontic Treatment Planning Conference III		
Student Teaching		
Hours		9
Spring		
DBPG 1912A	Thesis - Prosthodontics ¹	2
DBPG 8005C	Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III	6
DBPG 8006C	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
Classical Prosthodontic Literature Review III		
Current Prosthodontic Literature Review III		
Graduate Prosthodontic Resident Case Presentation Conference III		
Graduate Prosthodontic Treatment Planning Conference III		
Graduate Prosthodontic Senior Resident Lecture		
Student Teaching-clinic		
Hours		9
Total Hours		74

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The program director publishes quarterly schedules.

The Program Director makes written and oral progress evaluations.

General Dentistry (Advanced Education Program)

One-Year Program (With Optional Second Year)

The advanced education program in general dentistry (AEGD) requires satisfactory completion of the following for the award of the residency certificate:

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1001	Conscious Sedation I	1
Hours		1
Fall		
DBPG 1081	Oral Biomaterials I	1
Hours		1
Spring		
DBPG 1091	Oral Biomaterials II	1
Hours		1
Total Hours		3

Rotations: The Houston Dept. of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Oral Health, Pediatric and Geriatric Clinic.

Clinic 80-90%

The Program Director publishes monthly/weekly schedules.

The Program Director performs written and oral progress evaluations three times per year.

AEGD Optional Second Year

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
Hours		2
Fall		
DBPG 1007	Practice Management	1
Hours		1
Spring		
DBPG 8006A	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
Hours		1
Total Hours		4

Rotations: The Houston Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Oral Health, Pediatric and Geriatric Clinics

(Optional): UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, Maxillofacial Prosthetic and Dental Oncology Clinic (US top cancer center)

Teaching: School of Dentistry fourth-year undergraduate dental clinic and urgent care

Clinic: 70% plus

The Program Director publishes monthly/weekly schedules.

The Program Director performs written and oral progress evaluations three times per year.

General Practice Residency (Advanced Education Program)

One-Year Program (With Optional Second Year)

The advanced education (residency) program in general practice (GPR) requires satisfactory completion of the following for award of the residency certificate:

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Summer		
DBPG 1001	Conscious Sedation I	1
	Hours	1
Fall		
DBPG 1002	Conscious Sedation II: (Pharm/Physiol)	1
	Hours	1
Spring		
DBPG 1091	Oral Biomaterials II	1
	Hours	1
	Total Hours	3

Rotations during year off site:

- Oral Surgery (OMFS)
- ENT
- Internal Medicine
- Anesthesiology

Optional Second Year

Course	Title	Hours
Summer		
DBPG 1920	Applied Sciences II	2
	Hours	2
Fall		
DBPG 1007	Practice Management	1
	Hours	1
Spring		
DBPG 8006A	Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference	1
	Hours	1
	Total Hours	4

Rotations:

- OMFS
- MD Anderson
- Dental School

Clinic: 80% plus

Call with faculty

Dental Hygiene and Public Health (BSDH/MPH)

Dual Degree Programs

Students seeking admission to the dual degree programs must meet the application requirements of both schools and apply separately for each program. Please note that one program does not guarantee admission to the other. Students are responsible for tuition and fee payments for all courses at both schools. Upon completing the degree, students will receive a diploma from each school.

BSDH/MPH

UTSD has become the first school in Texas to offer dental hygiene students the option of earning credentials toward a master's degree in public health (MPH), even as they complete their studies for the bachelor's degree in dental hygiene (BSDH). This pathway dual degree program is in partnership with UTHealth School of Public Health.

To be eligible, students must be accepted by UTSD before applying separately to the UTHealth School of Public Health. As they earn the BSDH, the students also complete credits toward a certificate in public health. The baccalaureate dental hygiene program requires five semesters of study over two years. Those who opt to pursue an MPH will need four years to complete the program. Core disciplines of the MPH degree include biostatistics and epidemiology, which are essential for investigators working in clinical research and dental public health. Additionally, a dental hygienist with an MPH degree will have a foundational knowledge of the population sciences and critical issues in health care.

Dental hygienists with interdisciplinary skill sets are becoming increasingly valuable in the constantly evolving healthcare environment. Those with dual degrees such as a BSDH/MPH will be uniquely poised to tackle some of healthcare's most pressing challenges, such as policymaking, disease prevention, oral health education, oral health research, disparities in access to care, and improving the overall quality of care.

For more information about the dual-degree programs and how to apply, contact the Director of Dental Public Health, Ana Neumann, DDS, PhD, Ana.Neumann@uth.tmc.edu

Dentistry and Public Health (DDS/MPH)

Dual Degree Programs

Students seeking admission to the dual degree programs must meet the application requirements of both schools and apply separately for each program. Please note that one program does not guarantee admission to the other. Students are responsible for tuition and fee payments for all courses at both schools. Upon successful completion of the degree, students will receive a diploma from each school.

DDS/MPH

UTSD and UTHealth School of Public Health offer our dental students the opportunity to enroll in a pathway dual degree program in dentistry combined with a Master of Public Health (DDS/MPH) to be completed during the four years of dental school. The MPH provides dentists with foundational knowledge in population sciences and prepares dental

students with the information and skills required to approach and explore issues surrounding healthcare critically. The combination of a clinical and public health degree will equip graduates with public health skills to treat individuals and the public health sector, specialty training, academic, private practice, and government services.

The DDS/MPH is an integrated, 45-credit hour program. Requirements include public health core courses, a practicum, a written culminating experience or completion of the capstone course. Dual degree students benefit from twelve approved shared courses, which translates into time and money savings.

For more information and how to apply, contact the Director of Dental Public Health, Ana Neumann, DDS, PhD, Ana.Neumann@uth.tmc.edu

Dental Informatics (Joint Certificate)

UTHealth Houston School of Dentistry (UTSD) and UTHealth Houston McWilliams School of Biomedical Informatics offer a joint graduate certificate in dental informatics. The one-year program focuses on the opportunities and challenges of integrating technology into modern oral health care. It is designed to introduce students to basic and practical solutions for developing health information solutions in dentistry. The certificate involves both online and in-person courses, including a spring-semester practicum at UTSD with a total of 15 semester credit hours for completion.

Code	Title	Hours
BMI 5300	Introduction to Biomedical Informatics	3
BMI 5313	Foundations of Electronic Health Records and Clinical Information Systems	3
BMI 5315W	Quality & Outcome Improvement in Healthcare	3
DBPG 5520	Applications in Dental Informatics	6
Total Hours		15
Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
BMI 5300	Introduction to Biomedical Informatics	3
Hours		3
Second Semester		
BMI 5313	Foundations of Electronic Health Records and Clinical Information Systems	3
BMI 5315W	Quality & Outcome Improvement in Healthcare	3
Hours		6
Third Semester		
DBPG 5520	Applications in Dental Informatics	6
Hours		6
Total Hours		15

For more information, contact Dr. Sudarat Kiat-amnuary, Sudarat.Kiat-amnuary@uth.tmc.edu or Anigua DeClouette, Aniqua.Rice@uth.tmc.edu.

Course Descriptions

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DBPG 1001 Conscious Sedation I (1 Credit)

Whitmire. 1 SH. Summer This course will encompass the principles of sedation patient selection, the pharmacology and physiology of certain anesthesia-related topics and limited clinical assignments. The lectures will be concerned primarily with nitrous oxide conscious sedation. Clinical proficiency in the delivery of nitrous oxide is not evaluated in this course, although, didactic requirements for nitrous oxide sedation are fulfilled. This course will complete in the fall semester. Letter Graded

DBPG 1002 Conscious Sedation II: (Pharm/Physiol) (1 Credit)

Whitmire. 1 SH. Fall The second of two courses, this section of conscious sedation directs its attention to principles and practice of other forms of sedation including oral, intravenous, and intramuscular approaches. This is primarily a didactic course with little clinical management, more clinical application to the patient's history, and clinical presentation. Conscious Sedation I is a prerequisite for Conscious Sedation II. Letter Graded

DBPG 1007 Practice Management (1 Credit)

Ayilavarapu. 1 SH. Fall This course is intended for the student in the final year of matriculation, and will discuss associateships, buying and borrowing, staffing, financial planning-personal insurance and computerization of the dental office. Letter Graded

DBPG 1008 Graduate Oral Radiology (1 Credit)

Key. 1 SH. Spring This course offers an in-depth study of skull and related extraoral radiograph techniques. The resident will be introduced to panoramic radiology as well as Direct Digital imaging, both intraoral and extraoral. Localization techniques, image manipulation, and networking will also be presented in this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 1009 Interdisciplinary Research Seminar I (1 Credit)

Kasper 1 SH. Fall This seminar series exposes the graduate student to the various research projects occurring in other disciplines in the School of Dentistry as well as other areas of the Medical Center. Presentations will be given by graduate students as well as guest scientists from other institutions in the Medical Center and Rice University. Letter Graded

DBPG 1010 Interdisciplinary Research Seminar II (1 Credit)

Kasper 1 SH. Spring This seminar series exposes the first-year graduate student to the various research projects occurring in other disciplines in the School of Dentistry as well as other areas of the Medical Center. Presentations will be given by graduate students as well as guest scientists from other institutions in the Medical Center and Rice University. This course meets at noon every Wednesday. It is required for first-year orthodontic residents for both fall semesters. Interdisciplinary Research Seminar II (DBPG 1009) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 1011 Interdisciplinary Research Seminar III (1 Credit)

Kasper 1 SH. Fall This seminar series exposes the second-year graduate student to the various research projects occurring in other disciplines in the School of Dentistry as well as other areas of the Medical Center. Presentations will be given by graduate students as well as guest scientists from other institutions in the Medical Center and Rice University. This course meets at noon every Wednesday. It is required for second-year orthodontic residents for both fall semesters. Interdisciplinary Research Seminar II (DBPG 1010) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 1012 Interdisciplinary Research Seminar IV (1 Credit)

Kasper 1 SH. Spring This seminar series exposes the second-year graduate student to the various research projects occurring in other disciplines at UTSD as well as other areas of the Medical Center. Presentations will be given by graduate students as well as guest scientists from other institutions in the Medical Center and Rice University. This course meets at noon every Wednesday. It is required for second-year orthodontic residents for both fall semesters. Interdisciplinary Research Seminar II (DBPG 1011) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 1081 Oral Biomaterials I (1 Credit)

Paravina 1 SH. Fall This didactic course will provide the student the opportunity to learn current concepts in the oral biomaterials applied to fixed and removable prosthodontics. Letter Graded

DBPG 1091 Oral Biomaterials II (1 Credit)

Ontiveros 1 SH. Spring This didactic course will provide the student the opportunity to learn current concepts in oral biomaterials applied to operative and esthetic dentistry. Letter Graded

DBPG 1101 Anatomy: Head and Neck (3 Credits)

Warner. 3 SH Summer This course is designed to review basic head and neck anatomy to cover details that may not have been included in a general anatomy course. Each region is treated by lecture followed by dissection. A good faculty-to-student ratio and discussion in the laboratory ensures that the material is being understood and learned. Course Fee: \$500 Letter Graded Course fee: \$500

DBPG 1106 Cell/Developmental Biology (1 Credit)

Kasper 1 SH. Fall This course will familiarize students with principles of molecular biology and provide a basic understanding of genetics and cytogenetics, and a detailed knowledge of development of the craniofacial complex, including formation of the face and the bones of the skull. A review of cell structure and reproduction is included, as well as a session on special techniques the student is likely to encounter in their studies and/or research. Letter Graded

DBPG 1110 Oral Biology: Devl, Struct, Functn Tissue (1 Credit)

Kasper 1 SH. Fall Students will be provided with a basic understanding of the developmental anatomy, light and ultrastructural microscopic features, biochemistry, and functional properties of oral tissues. In particular, emphasis will be placed on developing and adult mineralized tissues of enamel, dentin, bone, and cementum as well as pulp, periodontium, oral mucosa, and salivary glands. Advanced instruction will include information about current research advances (basic and translational) within each of the topic areas. Letter Graded

DBPG 1115 Advances Basic Sciences I (3 Credits)

Myers. 3 SH Fall Students will be provided with an advanced understanding of neurosciences and pharmacology. Topics to be covered in neurosciences may include neurotransmitters as chemical messengers; neural pathways of somatosensation; ascending sensory pathways; motor pathways; clinical entities affecting the spinal cord or peripheral nerves; clinical symptoms of cranial nerve damage; clinical syndromes of the head and neck region; pain reception and peripheral mediation; pain mediation through the dorsal horn and ascending pain pathways-structure, function and pathology; clinical pain in dentistry; and mastication and oral reflexes. Topics in pharmacology may include principles and pharmacokinetics, autonomic drugs, fluoride and anti-plaque agents, neurologic drugs, sedatives, opiate analgesics and anticonvulsants, local anesthetics, antibiotics, anti-inflammatory drugs, antihistamines and corticosteroids, cardiovascular drugs, drug laws and drug abuse, and general anesthetics. Letter Graded

DBPG 1116 Advanced Basic Sciences II (4 Credits)

Ogbureke. 4 SH Spring Students will be provided with an advanced understanding of tissue fine structure, wound healing, hemostasis, microbiology, and immunology. Topics to be covered in tissue fine structure may include cell structure, epithelia and glands, connective tissue, cartilage, bone and bone formation, other hard tissues, muscle, and peripheral blood vessels, and nerves. Topics to be covered in wound healing may include injury and the initial response, the proliferative phase of healing, epithelization and the remodeling phase, collagen and the ground substance, angiogenesis in wound healing, healing of bone fractures, muscle and nerve repair, growth factors and wound healing, and nutrition and wound healing. Topics to be covered in hemostasis may include vascular response, endothelial hemostatic balance, platelet microanatomy, function and evaluation, extrinsic and intrinsic coagulation, acute phase response, fibrinolysis, inhibitors of hemostasis, and bleeding disorders and laboratory evaluation prior to dental treatment. Topics to be covered in microbiology may include: basic bacteriology; biofilms, plaque, caries; periodontal pathogens, pulp and periapical infection, diagnostic microbiology, oral virus infections, and oral fungal infections. Topics to be covered in immunology may include introduction, immunoglobulin and antigen-antibody reactions, innate immunity and complement, major histocompatibility complex and antigen processing, b cells and t cells, cytokines and chemokines, cell-mediated immunity and dendritic cells, immunology of wound healing, and inflammation. Letter Graded

DBPG 1304 Oral Biomaterials - Endodontics (1 Credit)

Jaramillo. 1 SH. Summer This didactic and laboratory course is designed to provide the student with the opportunity to learn the biological, chemical, and physical properties of materials used in the endodontic treatment of teeth. This course is offered and complete in the fall semester. Letter Graded

DBPG 1305 Oral Biomaterials - Orthodontics Biomechanics and Materials (2 Credits)

Julien, 2 SH Fall This didactic and laboratory course is designed to provide the student with the opportunity to learn the properties of materials used in Orthodontics. Letter Graded

DBPG 1612 Graduate Oral Pathology (2 Credits)

Ogbureke 2 SH. Fall This course is comprised of advanced lectures in oral pathology for students in the various specialties. Topics in this course include the oral manifestations of infectious diseases, inflammatory conditions, odontogenic cysts and neoplasms, selected benign and malignant neoplasms of the soft and hard tissues, salivary gland disorders and mucocutaneous diseases. Emphasis is placed on the pertinent clinical and microscopic findings, treatment, and prognosis and differential diagnosis. Letter Graded

DBPG 1804 Pulp Biology (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick.1 SH. Summer This is a lecture/seminar course designed to provide the student with an in-depth knowledge of the dental pulp, both in health and disease. Emphasis will be placed on the embryology, microanatomy, physiology, and histology of the dental pulp. Both classic and current literature are used to highlight the various pulpal reactions to a variety of irritants, along with associated diagnostic and clinical therapeutic procedures. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911A Research - Endodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information Letter Graded

DBPG 1911A Research - Periodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information Letter Graded

DBPG 1911A Research - Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information Letter Graded

DBPG 1911A Research - Pediatrics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information Letter Graded

DBPG 1911A Research - Orthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information Letter Graded

DBPG 1911B Research - Endodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911B Research - Orthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911B Research - Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911B Research - Periodontics (1 Credit)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911B Research - Pediatrics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911C Research - Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911C Research - Periodontics (1 Credit)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911C Research - Pediatrics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911C Endoconic Research (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911D Research - Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911D Research - Periodontics (1 Credit)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911D Research - Pediatrics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911D Research- Endodontics (3 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911E Research - Periodontics (1 Credit)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911E Research-Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1911F Research-Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. Variable 1-6 SH. Credit given in final semester Research activity usually includes registration for one - four hours of credit per fall or spring semester, beginning either in the spring preceding graduation or fall of the terminal year. A minimum of four semester hours is required for all degree programs, except Periodontics which requires six. Refer to Graduation Requirements for additional information. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912A Thesis - Orthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912A Thesis - Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912A Thesis - Endodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912A Thesis - Periodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912A Thesis - Pediatrics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912B Thesis - Periodontics (2 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1912B Thesis- Endodontics (3 Credits)

Faculty Committee. 2 SH. Credit given in final semester The student, in consultation with the Clinical Department Chairperson, selects a research project in a basic science area or in a clinically applied specialty area as early as possible. The Department Chairperson appoints a Thesis Committee Chairperson knowledgeable in the area of the research chosen. Other members of the Thesis Committee are chosen by the Department Chairperson and by the Thesis Committee Chairperson. Letter Graded

DBPG 1920 Applied Sciences II (2 Credits)

Guajardo 2 SH. Summer This course provides the advanced student with the opportunity to understand the principles of ethics, jurisprudence and risk management, behavioral sciences, and education and teaching methodology. Letter Graded

DBPG 2001A Endodontic Clinic I (4 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 2001B Endodontic Clinic I (4 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 2002A Endodontic Clinic II (4 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 2002B Endodontic Clinic II (5 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 2002C Endodontic Clinic II (7 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 2003A Endodontic Clinic III (4 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 2003B Endodontic Clinic III (1 Credit)

Endodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 2003C Endodontic Clinic III (4 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 2003D Endodontic Clinic III (5 Credits)

Endodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 2004A Preclinical Graduate Endodontics (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick. 1 SH. Summer The objective of this introductory course is to present major biological and technical aspects of endodontic treatment in a seminar/laboratory setting. The student will learn various instrumentation and obturation modalities in a simulated clinical environment. The student will be expected to develop, enhance, and assess his/his clinical skills prior to beginning the clinical phase of the program. Letter Graded

DBPG 2005 Endodontic Surgery (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick. 1 SH Spring The objective of this lecture/seminar course is to provide a comprehensive analysis of contemporary principles of endodontic surgery. At the conclusion of the course, the student will have the opportunity to acquire a sound understanding of the scientific literature and biological principles that support the surgical skills necessary to properly manage cases not amenable to nonsurgical therapy. Letter Graded

DBPG 2006A Topical Seminar in Endodontics (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick. 1SH. Fall This seminar course presents an in-depth analysis of the biological principles and scientific foundation for all aspects of endodontic therapy. A critical evaluation of the classical and contemporary literature will be emphasized to help provide the student with a rationale for clinical treatment. Extensive readings of texts and literature along with presentation of papers directly applicable to endodontics will be required. Letter Graded

DBPG 2006B Topical Seminar in Endodontics (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Spring A continuation of topical seminar presented in DBPG 2006A Letter Graded

DBPG 2006C Topical Seminar in Endodontics (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Fall A continuation of topical seminar presented in DBPG 2006B Letter Graded

DBPG 2006D Topical Seminar in Endodontics (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Spring A continuation of topical seminar presented in DBPG 2006C Letter Graded

DBPG 2006E Topical Seminar in Endodontics (1 Credit)

Topical Seminar in Endodontics Letter Graded

DBPG 2006F Topical Seminar in Endodontics (1 Credit)

Topical Seminar in Endodontics Letter Graded

DBPG 2007 Endodontic Practice Management (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH Fall The course in Practice Management serves as a fundamental source of information that will enable Endodontic residents to successfully enter practice upon graduation. All areas related to a fully functioning dental practice and business management will be cover. In addition, staff management, professional ethics and legal responsibilities will be presented. The success of the course depends on dynamic discussion with participants. This will ensure that areas of prime interest are explored thoroughly. Pass/Fail

DBPG 2008 Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick. 1SH. Fall This seminar course is intended to broaden the student's background in endodontics through a critical analysis of the current literature. Letter Graded

DBPG 2008A Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick. 1SH. Fall This seminar course is intended to broaden the student's background in endodontics through a critical analysis of the current literature. Letter Graded

DBPG 2008B Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Spring A continuation of current literature seminar presented in DBPG 2008A Letter Graded

DBPG 2008C Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Fall A continuation of current literature seminar presented in DBPG 2008B Letter Graded

DBPG 2008D Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Spring A continuation of current literature seminar presented in DBPG 2008C Letter Graded

DBPG 2008E Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Current Literature Seminar Letter Graded

DBPG 2008E Current Literature Seminar (3 Credits)

Current Literature Seminar Letter Graded

DBPG 2008F Current Literature Seminar (1 Credit)

Current Literature Seminar Letter Graded

DBPG 4001A Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (1 Credit)

Wong 1 SH. Summer This seminar will cover a variety of topics in oral and maxillofacial surgery. The syllabus is composed of a core curriculum repeated every year from July-October and a rotating curriculum for the remainder of the year. Core subjects include hospital protocol, introduction to the management of maxillofacial trauma, maxillofacial infections fluid and electrolyte balance, renal function, head and neck imaging, peri-operative analgesia, soft and hard tissue healing. The rotating curriculum will cover various topics in a three-year cycle, and will include maxillofacial trauma, head and neck cancer, reconstructive and bone graft surgery, dentoalveolar surgery, pre-prosthetic surgery, facial cosmetic surgery, cleft surgery, TMJ dysfunction, and microneurosurgery. Letter Graded

DBPG 4001B Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (1 Credit)

Wong 1 SH Fall A continuation of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery seminar presented in DBPG 4001A Letter Graded

DBPG 4001C Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (1 Credit)

Wong 1 SH Spring A continuation of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery seminar presented in DBPG 4001B Letter Graded

DBPG 4002A Orthognathic Seminar (1 Credit)

Julien. 1 SH. FALL The orthognathic conference is jointly presented by faculty from the Departments of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Orthodontics. Weekly presentations will cover the diagnosis, treatment planning and treatment of patients with dentofacial deformities. Topics covered will include orthodontic preparation of patients for orthognathic surgery, surgical procedures, distraction techniques and the management of syndromic patients. Letter Graded

DBPG 4002B Orthognathic Seminar (1 Credit)

Julien. 1 SH. SPRING A continuation of orthognathic conference presented in DBPG 4002A. Letter Graded

DBPG 4002C Orthognathic Seminar (1 Credit)

Julien. 1 SH. FALL A continuation of orthognathic conference presented in DBPG 4002B. Letter Graded

DBPG 4002D Orthognathic Seminar (1 Credit)

Julien. 1 SH. SPRING A continuation of orthognathic conference presented in DBPG 4002C. Letter Graded

DBPG 4003A Clinical Pathologic Conference (1 Credit)

Gilbert. 1 SH. Summer The CPC is a 20 to 30-minute presentation incorporated into the Department of Oral Maxillofacial Surgery's weekly meeting at Methodist. Interesting pathology cases are presented using a clinical approach. Emphasis is placed on the initial presentation, interpreting radiographic and serological results, development of a differential diagnosis, and confirmation of the diagnosis with histology. Treatment measures are also discussed. Letter Graded

DBPG 4003B Clinical Pathologic Conference (1 Credit)

Gilbert 1 SH. Fall A continuation of clinico-pathologic conference (cpc) presented in DBPG 4003A Letter Graded

DBPG 4003C Clinical Pathologic Conference (1 Credit)

Gilbert 1 SH. Spring A continuation of clinico-pathologic conference (cpc) presented in DBPG 4003B Letter Graded

DBPG 5001A Orthodontics Clinic I (3 Credits)

Orthodontics Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 5001B Orthodontics Clinic I (2-5 Credits)

Orthodontics Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 5001C Orthodontics Clinic I (5 Credits)

Orthodontics Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 5002A Orthodontics Clinic II (5 Credits)

Orthodontics Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 5002B Orthodontics Clinic II (2-5 Credits)

Orthodontics Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 5002C Orthodontics Clinic II (5 Credits)

Orthodontics Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 5003 Orthodontic Clinic III (2-5 Credits)

Orthodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 5005A Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics I (1 Credit)

Julien. 1 SH. Fall This course reviews current and classical orthodontic literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the residents assigned that article. A short question/answer/discussion follow each abstract presentation. Topics in Orthodontics I (DBPG 5010) is a prerequisite for this course. Pass/Fail

DBPG 5005B Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics II (1 Credit)

Julien. 1 SH. Spring This course reviews current and classical orthodontic literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the resident assigned that article. A short question/answer/discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current and Classic Literature in Orthodontics I (DBPG 5005A) is a prerequisite for this course. Pass/Fail

DBPG 5005C Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics III (1 Credit)

Julien. 1SH. Fall This course reviews current and classical orthodontic literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the resident assigned that article. A short question/answer/discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current and Classic Literature in Orthodontics I (DBPG 5005B) is a prerequisite for this course. Pass/Fail

DBPG 5005D Current & Classical Lit Orthodontics IV (1 Credit)

Julien. 1SH. Fall This course reviews current and classical orthodontic literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the resident assigned that article. A short question/answer/discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current and Classic Literature in Orthodontics I (DBPG 5005B) is a prerequisite for this course. Pass/Fail

DBPG 5010 Topics in Orthodontics I (2 Credits)

Julien, Faculty. 2 SH. Summer This advanced course provides the student with the opportunity to learn the scientific knowledge, biomechanical principles, and orthodontic techniques required to diagnose, treatment plan, and correct routine and complex malocclusions of growing and skeletally mature patients. Students are required to make oral case presentations of patients diagnosed and treated in the postgraduate clinic. Class time is a combination of lectures, seminars, laboratories and clinical activities. Topics include orthodontic diagnosis and treatment planning, cephalometrics and radiology, orthodontic and orthodontic appliance design, orthodontic techniques, dentofacial orthopedics, biomechanical principles, interdisciplinary comprehensive care, interdisciplinary care lecture series, clinical photography, and clinical orthodontic treatments/cases management. Letter Graded

DBPG 5011 Topics in Orthodontics II (4 Credits)

Julien, Faculty. 4 SH. Fall See DBPG 5010 for course description. Letter Graded

DBPG 5012 Topics in Orthodontic III (4 Credits)

Julien, Faculty. 4 SH. Spring See DBPG 5011 for course description. Letter Graded

DBPG 5013 Topics in Orthodontics IV (2 Credits)

Julien, Faculty. 2 SH. Summer This advanced course provides the student with advanced knowledge in orthodontic diagnosis, analysis/case management, and treatment. Various approaches to routine orthodontic tooth movement, dentofacial orthopedic techniques, surgical-orthodontic techniques, and techniques for managing cleft palate and craniofacial deformities patients are presented. Instruction in different topic areas consists of a combination of lectures, seminars, laboratories, and clinical activities throughout the year. Students are required to make oral case presentations throughout the year on patients they are treating in the postgraduate or craniofacial deformities clinic. At the completion of the course each resident is required to present a comprehensive oral and written case analysis of some or all their patients to the faculty. Topics in Orthodontics I (DBPG 5012) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 5014 Topics in Orthodontics V (4 Credits)

Julien, Faculty. 4 SH. Fall See DBPG 5013 for course description. Letter Graded

DBPG 5015 Topics in Orthodontics VI (4 Credits)

Julien, Faculty. 4 SH. Spring See DBPG 5013 for course description Letter Graded

DBPG 5016 Craniofacial Growth & Devel I (2 Credits)

Kasper 2 SH. Spring This course will provide the student with a basic understanding of prenatal and postnatal craniofacial growth and development as it relates to orthodontic diagnosis and treatment planning. Topics include molecular aspects of prenatal craniofacial patterning, clinical genetics, syndrome delineation, general concepts of physical growth, postnatal development of the cranial vault, cranial base, midface and mandible, patterning and control mechanisms during postnatal development, correlative growth and facial growth prediction, speech and language development, and relevant aspects of cognitive, emotional, and psychosocial development. Instruction will utilize lectures, seminars/discussions, and student presentations. Topics in Orthodontics I (DBPG 5010) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 5017 Craniofacial Growth & Devel II (2 Credits)

Julien 2 SH. Fall A continuation of Craniofacial Growth and Development Part I Letter Graded

DBPG 5020 Orthodontic Practice Management (1 Credit)

Julien.1SH. Spring This orthodontic practice management course will focus on the business aspects of an orthodontic practice. It will include the AAO Practice Alternative Program, valuation of orthodontic practices, bank-related issues, development of a practice plan, insurance issues including professional liability and disability, and computerization of the orthodontic office. Pass/Fail

DBPG 5352 Biostatistics for Dental Professionals (3 Credits)

Neumann. 3 SH. Summer 3 credit hours (Online) Senior students in the RDH to BSDH program are allowed to enroll in a graduate level course. This online course provides the opportunity to develop introductory-level competencies in the measurement, design, analysis, interpretation and critical evaluation of health information research and evaluation studies. Graduate students will have the opportunity to learn and apply the most important and most frequently used statistical measures and methods, as well as critically evaluate the scientific literature. Some of the topics covered in this course include frequency distributions, measures of central tendency, variance, hypothesis testing, correlation and both parametric and non-parametric inferential methods including t-tests, analysis of variance, chi-square tests of significance, and tests of measures of association. Pass/Fail

DBPG 5520 Applications in Dental Informatics (6 Credits)

Walji. 6 SH Spring/UTSD (classroom instruction preferred, web-based offered on case-by-case basis) This course provides a broad foundation in applying informatics principles to dentistry. Students will select an area of interest related to oral healthcare quality and safety which to apply the knowledge and skills gained during the didactic courses. Students will become active participants in the work of developing dental informatics-based applications and/or research projects. Letter Graded

DBPG 6001A Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I (2 Credits)

Cardenas, Faculty. 2 SH. SUMMER This advanced course provides the student with the knowledge, principles and comprehensive understanding of Pediatric Dentistry required to diagnose, formulate treatment plans and provide quality patient care. Class time is a combination of lectures, seminars, and clinical activities. Students are presented with a series of topics covering areas of Pediatric Dentistry in lecture and discussion format by the faculty. Students are required to make oral case presentations Written and oral exams are given to verify each student has mastered all topic areas which are required for completion of certificate requirements. (This is for DBPG 6001A) Letter Graded

DBPG 6001B Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I (2 Credits)

Chiquet, Faculty. 2 SH. Fall A continuation of advanced topics presented in DBPG 6001A. Letter Graded

DBPG 6001C Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I (2 Credits)

Chiquet, Faculty. 2 SH Spring A continuation of advanced topics presented in DBPG 6001B. Letter Graded

DBPG 6001D Topics in Pediatric Dentistry II (2 Credits)

Chiquet, Faculty. 2 SH. Summer This advanced course continues to provide the student with advanced knowledge and comprehensive understanding of Pediatric Dentistry. Class time is a combination of lectures, seminars, and clinical activities. Students are presented with a series of topics covering areas of Pediatric Dentistry in lecture and discussion format by the faculty. Students are required to make oral case presentations throughout the year. Written and oral exams are given to verify each student has mastered all the topic areas which are required for completion of certificate requirements. Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I (DBPG 6001) is a prerequisite for this course (This is for DBPG 6001D) Letter Graded

DBPG 6001E Topics in Pediatric Dentistry II (2 Credits)

Chiquet, Acharya. 2 SH. FALL A continuation of advanced topics presented in DBPG 6001. Letter Graded

DBPG 6001F Topics in Pediatric Dentistry II (2 Credits)

Chiquet, Faculty. 2 SH. SPRING A continuation of advanced topics presented in DBPG 6001. Letter Graded

DBPG 6005A Pediatric Clinic I (1 Credit)

Hands-on patient care clinical experiences for residents in the first year of the advanced education program in pediatric dentistry. This includes patients from age 0 to 18 and those with special healthcare needs. Experiences include prevention, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, behavior guidance, hospital dentistry, trauma, pathology, and management of the developing occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 6005B Pediatric Clinic I (1 Credit)

Hands-on patient care clinical experiences for residents in the first year of the advanced education program in pediatric dentistry. This includes patients from age 0 to 18 and those with special healthcare needs. Experiences include prevention, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, behavior guidance, hospital dentistry, trauma, pathology, and management of the developing occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 6005C Pediatric Clinic I (3 Credits)

Hands-on patient care clinical experiences for residents in the first year of the advanced education program in pediatric dentistry. This includes patients from age 0 to 18 and those with special healthcare needs. Experiences include prevention, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, behavior guidance, hospital dentistry, trauma, pathology, and management of the developing occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 6006A Pediatric Clinic II (1 Credit)

Hands-on patient care clinical experiences for residents in the second year of the advanced education program in pediatric dentistry. This includes patients from age 0 to 18 and those with special healthcare needs. Experiences include prevention, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, behavior guidance (including firsthand experience as operator during sedations), hospital dentistry, trauma, pathology, and management of the developing occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 6006B Pediatric Clinic II (2 Credits)

Hands-on patient care clinical experiences for residents in the second year of the advanced education program in pediatric dentistry. This includes patients from age 0 to 18 and those with special healthcare needs. Experiences include prevention, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, behavior guidance (including firsthand experience as operator during sedations), hospital dentistry, trauma, pathology, and management of the developing occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 6006C Pediatric Clinic II (2 Credits)

Hands-on patient care clinical experiences for residents in the second year of the advanced education program in pediatric dentistry. This includes patients from age 0 to 18 and those with special healthcare needs. Experiences include prevention, restorative dentistry, pulp therapy, behavior guidance (including firsthand experience as operator during sedations), hospital dentistry, trauma, pathology, and management of the developing occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 6007A Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent I (1 Credit)

Acharya. 1 SH. FALL This course reviews current and classical pediatric dental and related literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the residents assigned that article. A short question and answer discussion follow each abstract presentation. Topics in Pediatric Dentistry I (DBPG 6001) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 6007B Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent I (1 Credit)

Acharya. 1 SH. SPRING This course reviews current and classical pediatric dental and related literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the residents assigned that article. A short question and answer discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current & Classical Literature Review in Pediatric Dentistry I (DBPG 6007) is a prerequisite. Letter Graded

DBPG 6007C Current and Classical Literature Review in Pediatric Dentistry II (1 Credit)

Acharya. 1 SH. SUMMER This course reviews current and classical pediatric dental and related literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the residents assigned that article. A short question and answer discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current & Classical Literature Review in Pediatric Dentistry I (DBPG 6007) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 6007D Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent II (1 Credit)

Acharya. 1 SH. FALL This course reviews current and classical pediatric dental and related literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the residents assigned that article. A short question and answer discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current & Classical Literature Review in Pediatric Dentistry I (DBPG 6007) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 6007E Cur/Classical Lit Review in Ped Dent II (1 Credit)

Acharya. 1 SH. SPRING This course reviews current and classical pediatric dental and related literature. Reading assignments are given to each resident. Abstracts of each article are completed by the residents assigned that article. A short question and answer discussion follow each abstract presentation. Current & Classical Literature Review in Pediatric Dentistry I (DBPG 6007) is a prerequisite for this course. Letter Graded

DBPG 6016 Pediatric Seminar In Craniofacial Development I (2 Credits)

Pediatric Seminar In Craniofacial Development I Letter Graded

DBPG 6017 Pediatric Seminar In Craniofacial Development II (2 Credits)

Chiquet. 2 SH. FALL This course involves the review of etiology, manifestations and treatment considerations of syndromes affecting patients commonly treated by Pediatric Dentists. Through this seminar course, participants will discuss these syndromes based on (1) presentation of developmental anomaly and systems involved, if applicable, (2) treatment modifications, (3) medical management of the patient, and (4) pertinent research on disease etiology. Additionally, speech and hearing specialists who work with affected children will discuss various therapies available to treat these patients. Letter Graded

DBPG 7001A Periodontics Clinic I (1 Credit)

Periodontics Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 7001B Periodontics Clinic I (3 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 7001C Periodontics Clinic I (3 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 7002A Periodontics Clinic II (4 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 7002A Periodontics Clinic III (4 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 7002B Periodontics Clinic II (5 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 7002C Periodontics Clinic II (5 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 7003A Periodontics Clinic III (3 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 7003B Periodontics Clinic III (5 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 7003C Periodontics Clinic III (5 Credits)

Periodontics Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 7008 Dental Implants Lecture Series (2 Credits)

Eswaran. 2 SH. SPRING This course introduces first-year periodontology students to the broad discipline of implant dentistry. Implant Seminars I and II are offered to second-year students in the spring and fall semesters, respectively. These seminars will provide additional didactic exposure. The course consists of a series of lectures given by faculty members and practitioners involved with dental implants. The lectures will include diagnosis and treatment planning, surgical and prosthetic considerations, and implant maintenance. Additionally, as part of the course, the students will be required to treatment plan a case incorporating dental implants. Implants concepts based on scientific literature, rather than concepts based on non-validated dogmas, will be emphasized through the course. Letter Graded

DBPG 7009 Topical Seminar in Perio/2H (2 Credits)

Ayilavarapu & Faculty 2 SH. Fall This series of seminars, which extend sequentially through three semesters, concentrate in a thorough, in-depth review, discussion, and evaluation of the periodontal literature related to different aspects of therapy. All non-surgical and surgical approaches, as well as different aspects of the occlusion are reviewed. Weekly papers are required on specific assigned topic. An oral presentation of the subject, by one of the graduate students, will be followed by a discussion with participation of all the students, under the direction of the faculty member conducting the seminar. Letter Graded

DBPG 7009A Topical Seminar in Periodontics (2 Credits)

Ayilavarapu & Faculty 2 SH. Fall This series of seminars, which extend sequentially through three semesters, concentrate in a thorough, in-depth review, discussion, and evaluation of the periodontal literature related to different aspects of therapy. All non-surgical and surgical approaches, as well as different aspects of the occlusion are reviewed. Weekly papers are required on specific assigned topic. An oral presentation of the subject, by one of the graduate students, will be followed by a discussion with participation of all the students, under the direction of the faculty member conducting the seminar. Letter Graded

DBPG 7009B Topical Seminar in Periodontics (2 Credits)

Ayilavarapu & Faculty 2 SH. Spring A continuation of topics in periodontics present in DBPG 7009A. Letter Graded

DBPG 7009C Topical Seminar in Periodontics (2 Credits)

Ayilavarapu & Faculty 2 SH. Fall A continuation of topics in periodontics present in DBPG 7009B. Letter Graded

DBPG 7009D Topical Seminar in Periodontics (2 Credits)

Ayilavarapu & Faculty 2 SH. Spring A continuation of topics in periodontics present in DBPG 7009C. Letter Graded

DBPG 7009E Topical Seminar in Periodontics (2 Credits)

Ayilavarapu & Faculty 2 SH. Fall A continuation of topics in periodontics present in DBPG 7009D. Letter Graded

DBPG 8001A Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic I (4 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 8001B Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic I (2 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic I Letter Graded

DBPG 8002A Graduate Pros Clinic II (3 Credits)

Graduate Pros Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 8002B Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic II (4 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 8002C Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic II (6 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic II Letter Graded

DBPG 8005A Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III (4 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 8005B Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III (7 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 8005C Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III (6 Credits)

Graduate Prosthodontic Clinic III Letter Graded

DBPG 8006A Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference (1 Credit)

Gonzalez, Ayilavarapu and Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Spring This course requires a periodontic student and a prosthodontic resident to jointly prepare a patient's case for diagnosis and treatment planning conference. The students will be scheduled to present this patient case to their peer group and mentors. The mentors in attendance will evaluate and grade the students' presentation and audience participation. Objectives are learning the process of determining a differential dental diagnosis, developing optional treatment plans, learning sequential treatment planning, evaluation of the dental fees to the patient, learning coordinated interdisciplinary care, and preparing and delivering case presentations. Letter Graded

DBPG 8006B Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference (1 Credit)

Gonzalez, Ayilavarapu and Kirkpatrick 1 SH. Spring This course requires a periodontic student and a prosthodontic resident to jointly prepare a patient's case for diagnosis and treatment planning conference. The students will be scheduled to present this patient case to their peer group and mentors. The mentors in attendance will evaluate and grade the students' presentation and audience participation. Objectives are learning the process of determining a differential dental diagnosis, developing optional treatment plans, learning sequential treatment planning, evaluation of the dental fees to the patient, learning coordinated interdisciplinary care, and preparing and delivering case presentations. Letter Graded

DBPG 8006C Periodontic/Prosthodontic Conference (1 Credit)

Gonzalez, and Ayilavarapu 1 SH Spring This course requires a periodontic student and a prosthodontic resident to jointly prepare a patient's case for diagnosis and treatment planning conference. The students will be scheduled to present this patient case to their peer group and mentors. The mentors in attendance will evaluate and grade the students' presentation and audience participation. Objectives are learning the process of determining a differential dental diagnosis, developing optional treatment plans, learning sequential treatment planning, evaluation of the dental fees to the patient, learning coordinated interdisciplinary care, and preparing and delivering case presentations. Letter Graded

DBPG 8010 Graduate Prosthodontics I (2 Credits)

Gonzalez. 2SH Summer This is a preclinical course for first-year advanced prosthodontic students. It includes all of the clinical and laboratory phases of complete denture therapy and the first half of a two-semester course in occlusion. Letter Graded

DBPG 9001 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IA (3 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 3 SH. SUMMER In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9002 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IB (3 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 3 SH. FALL In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9003 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IC (3 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 3 SH. SPRING In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9004 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIA (3 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 3 SH. SPRING In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9005 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIB (6 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 6 SH. FALL In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9006 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIIA (6 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 6 SH. FALL In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9007 Pathology: Microscopy and Clinics IIIB (7 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 7 SH. SPRING In this course, students will be responsible for studying daily slide cases, reviewing special cases, and treating clinic patients. Students will learn to build diagnostic skills, understand clinico-pathologic correlation, and understand how to diagnose and properly manage clinical oral pathology patients. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9008 Topics in Oral Pathology IA (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. FALL This course reviews current and classical literature in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Reading assignments and/or topics are selected by each resident at the approval of the Course Director. Residents will discuss the reading assignments/topics with the Course Director and relevant faculty once per month. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9009 Topics in Oral Pathology IB (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. SPRING This course reviews current and classical literature in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Reading assignments and/or topics are selected by each resident at the approval of the Course Director. Residents will discuss the reading assignments/topics with the Course Director and relevant faculty once per month. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9010 Topics in Oral Pathology IIA (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. SUMMER This course reviews current and classical literature in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Reading assignments and/or topics are selected by each resident at the approval of the Course Director. Residents will discuss the reading assignments/topics with the Course Director and relevant faculty once per month. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9011 Topics in Oral Pathology IIB (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. FALL This course reviews current and classical literature in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Reading assignments and/or topics are selected by each resident at the approval of the Course Director. Residents will discuss the reading assignments/topics with the Course Director and relevant faculty once per month. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9012 Topics in Oral Pathology IIIA (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. FALL This course reviews current and classical literature in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Reading assignments and/or topics are selected by each resident at the approval of the Course Director. Residents will discuss the reading assignments/topics with the Course Director and relevant faculty once per month. Letter Graded

DBPG 9013 Topics in Oral Pathology IIIB (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. SPRING This course reviews current and classical literature in the field of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology. Reading assignments and/or topics are selected by each resident at the approval of the Course Director. Residents will discuss the reading assignments/topics with the Course Director and relevant faculty once per month. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9014 Oral Pathology Research A (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. FALL In this course, residents will have allocated time to start or continue a research project. Residents may utilize research facilities including the Office of Research which provides support, liaison, and guidance for research efforts. If necessary, residents may collaborate with or utilize the Center for Clinical and Translational Research. A Statistician and Clinical Research Coordinator will also be available. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9015 Oral Pathology Research B (1 Credit)

Vigneswaran. 1 SH. SPRING In this course, residents will have allocated time to start or continue a research project. Residents may utilize research facilities including the Office of Research which provides support, liaison, and guidance for research efforts. If necessary, residents may collaborate with or utilize the Center for Clinical and Translational Research. A Statistician and Clinical Research Coordinator will also be available. Pass/Fail

DBPG 9016 Anatomic Pathology Rotation A (9 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 9 SH. SPRING In this course, residents will attend rotation at McGovern Medical School at UTHealth and The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center; both are part of The University of Texas System. Residents will rotate on a four to eight-week schedule. Letter Graded

DBPG 9017 Anatomic Pathology Rotation B (6 Credits)

Vigneswaran. 6 SH. SUMMER In this course, residents will attend rotation at McGovern Medical School at UTHealth and The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center; both are part of The University of Texas System. Residents will rotate on a four to eight-week schedule. Pass/Fail

Clinic (CLIN)

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CLIN 2502 Second Year Fall Clinic (2 Credits)

Students will have experiences with virtual patients, community rotation, providing anesthesia, and working in a mentored environment within their assigned group practice. Students will begin actual treatment of patients as they are assigned appropriate clinical cases. Pass/Fail

CLIN 2503 Second Year Spring/Summer Clinic (2 Credits)

In this course students are expected to gain experience and knowledge in electronic patient record (EPR), infection control, diagnosis and treatment planning, radiology, periodontics, anesthesia, and operative dentistry. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3001 Pediatric Dentistry Clinic (2 Credits)

This clinic course prepares dental students to render dental treatment to pediatric dental patients. Students learn to perform a comprehensive oral examination using all the necessary diagnostic tools to evaluate the dental needs of the pediatric or mixed dentition patient to develop a thorough, comprehensive treatment plan. Students learn to recognize the need for and management of space maintainers. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3003 Radiology Clinic (1 Credit)

This clinical course affords students the opportunity to integrate principles of preclinical training into the diagnostic process. Students utilize various types of radiographic surveys for their patient evaluations, including the full mouth survey (FMS), partial FMS evaluations, and panoramic evaluations. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3005 Prosthodontics Clinic (6 Credits)

This clinical course introduces students to the clinical aspects of delivering patient care in the specialty of prosthodontics. It is designed to provide the student the opportunity to use critical thinking skills by utilizing information learned in basic sciences, clinical disciplines, and pre-clinical laboratories to treat patients in a clinical setting. Students should develop the necessary skills for gathering diagnostic information, developing a sequential treatment plan, and performing prosthodontic procedures using sound clinical judgment. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3007 Oral Surgery Clinic (2 Credits)

This clinical course introduces students to clinical oral surgery, which includes patient evaluation, diagnosis, treatment planning, and routine oral surgery procedures commonly employed in general dental practice. Students learn the principles of aseptic technique and infection control in preparing the surgical team, the patient, and the surgical cubicle for oral surgery procedures. Students develop skills in performing uncomplicated extractions, multiple extractions, alveoloplasty procedures, and routine suturing techniques. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3011 Orthodontics Clinic (0.5 Credits)

This clinical course introduces students to the practice of clinical orthodontics. The primary goal of this experience is to reinforce didactic concepts taught in the second year and build upon them in a manner that will better prepare the student to recognize, communicate, and manage orthodontic problems in the general dentistry setting. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3013 Urgent Care Clinic (1 Credit)

This clinical rotation provides students with an opportunity to manage dental emergencies appropriately, and diagnose, stabilize, and refer patients to dental specialists when the appropriate care demands their expertise. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

CLIN 3016 Clinical Simulation I (1 Credit)

This course provides dental students with opportunities for integration and application of theoretical, evidence-based, and clinical knowledge to the individual's practice of dentistry in a controlled, student-centered environment. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 3017 Diagnosis and Treatment Planning Clinic (3 Credits)

This clinic course allows students to gain competence in evaluating a patient's dental needs, determining the complexity of those needs, and recognize and gather baseline/diagnostic information. Competence will also be gained in the use of specialty consultations. The treatment plan is an essential process for the modern, successful dental practice. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4001 Pediatric Dentistry Clinic (2 Credits)

This clinic course prepares students to render dental treatment to pediatric dental patients. Students learn to perform a comprehensive oral examination using all the necessary diagnostic tools to evaluate the dental needs of the pediatric or mixed dentition patient to develop a thorough, comprehensive treatment plan. This course teaches students to be competent in operative dental procedures modified for use with primary and young permanent teeth, including the administration of local anesthesia and pain control. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4002 Endodontics Clinic (3 Credits)

This two-year clinical course begins in the third year, and enables students to become competent endodontic practitioners by integrating pre-clinical principles and techniques into clinical patient treatment. Quality endodontic patient treatment requires that a practitioner possess and applies basic sciences knowledge in pharmacology, physiology, microbiology and immunology into the various technical aspects of treatment. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4003 Radiology Clinic (1 Credit)

This clinical course affords students the opportunity to integrate principles of preclinical training into the diagnostic process. Students utilize various types of radiographic surveys for their patient evaluations, including the full mouth survey (FMS), partial FMS evaluations and panoramic evaluations. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4004 Special Patient Care Clinic (1 Credit)

The goal of this Special Patient Clinic course, of which Dental Auxiliary Utilization is a component, provides students with an opportunity to deliver treatment to medically compromised, physically handicapped, mentally challenged, and/or geriatric patients. This course is intended to create awareness in students of the dental needs of communities and community health programs. Pass/Fail

CLIN 4005 Prosthodontics Clinic (8 Credits)

This clinical course continues introducing students to the clinical aspects of delivering patient care in the area of prosthodontics. It is designed to provide students the opportunity to use critical thinking skills by utilizing information learned in basic sciences, clinical disciplines, and pre-clinical laboratories to treat patients in a clinical setting. Students should continue to develop the necessary skills for gathering diagnostic information, developing a sequential treatment plan, and performing prosthodontic procedures using sound clinical judgment. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4006 Operative Dentistry Clinic (8 Credits)

This two-year clinical course begins in the third year and allows students to continue to develop and refine their knowledge necessary to properly diagnose, establish a treatment plan, and perform a variety of procedures with appropriate materials, or manage the patient's care in the context of comprehensive care. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4007 Oral Surgery Clinic (1 Credit)

This clinical course reinforces basic skills learned in the third-year oral surgery clinical course and facilitates continued development as the student performs routine, oral surgery procedures commonly employed in general dental practice. Areas of emphasis will be physical evaluation and assessment, principles of aseptic technique and infection control, uncomplicated exodontia, multiple extractions, complicated exodontia, and routine pre-prosthetic surgical procedures. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4008 Periodontics Clinic (6 Credits)

This two-year clinical course begins in the third year and focuses on the application of knowledge gained in the didactic study of Periodontics. Students perform a clinical and radiographic examination and diagnose periodontal diseases. Students formulate a sequenced treatment plan and establish a prognosis for patients with gingivitis through moderately advanced periodontitis by integrating periodontics into a total dental and oral preventive approach. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4011 Orthodontic Clinic (0.5 Credits)

This clinical course continues to introduce students to the practice of clinical orthodontics. The primary goal of this experience is to reinforce didactic concepts and build upon them in a manner that will better prepare the student to recognize, communicate, and manage orthodontic problems in the general dentistry setting. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4012 Diagnosis and Treatment Planning Clinic (2 Credits)

This clinic course allows students to gain competence in evaluating a patient's dental needs, determining the complexity of those needs, and recognize and then gather baseline/diagnostic information. Competence will also be gained in the use of specialty consultations, the formulation of a treatment plan, and treatment sequencing of that treatment plan. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

CLIN 4013 Urgent Care Clinic (2 Credits)

This clinical course provides students with an opportunity to manage dental emergencies appropriately, and diagnose, stabilize, and refer patients to dental specialists when the appropriate care demands their expertise. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

CLIN 4014 Clinical Practice II (6 Credits)

This two-year clinical course that begins in the third year allows students the opportunity to refine the skills and knowledge needed to properly diagnose, treatment plan, and manage and provide patient treatment in an environment that closely approximates a private practice setting. Students learn the technical skills and knowledge required of a graduated, licensed dental practitioner. Students must also demonstrate competence in behavioral and patient management skills. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

CLIN 4016 Clinical Simulation II (0.5 Credits)

This course will provide students with opportunities for the integration and application of theoretical, evidence-based, and clinical knowledge to discipline-specific treatment experiences, reinforcing previously learned ethical and patient management skills. Pass/Fail

DDS Didactic Summer (DENU)

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DENU 1561 Principles of Pharmacology (1 Credit)

This course relates to the study of the basic principles of how the body responds to and reacts to administered agents. This course is composed of three subtopics: Pharmacodynamics, Pharmacokinetics, and Pharmacotherapeutics. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 1562 Local Anesthesia (1 Credit)

This course is essential for the performance of a great majority of the clinical procedures students use in treating patients throughout a career. The goal is for students to learn the pharmacology and toxicology of dental local anesthetic drugs and the proper techniques for their administration. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 1703 Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology I (1.5 Credits)

This course introduces students to the basic principles of oral and maxillofacial radiology. The radiographic examination plays an integral role in the diagnostic process in dentistry in conjunction with the clinical examination. Only those conditions and disease states which are detected by examination of the patient can be addressed. The preclinical laboratory sessions are designed to perfect the student's technical skills and familiarize them with the variability of normal radiographic anatomy. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 1704 Introduction to Clinic (1 Credit)

This course introduces students to the clinical environment and familiarizes them with the steps in doing a comprehensive exam. This course guides students through the process necessary to collect information, interpret that information, and use it in formulating a diagnosis and develop a treatment plan. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 1721 Perio I: Introduction to Periodontology (1 Credit)

This course introduces students to current classifications of periodontal diseases and fundamental knowledge of the epidemiology, etiology, microbiology and immunology of periodontal diseases. Basic information is integrated with necessary clinical skills to evaluate and diagnose all currently recognized forms of periodontal diseases. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 1931 Basic & Applied Nutrition (1 Credit)

This course helps students acquire a basic understanding of human nutrition in the context of oral health and disease. The student should understand the links between nutrition, health, and disease and be able to apply the concepts learned in this course to patient diagnosis and treatment planning taught later in the curriculum. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 2624 Practice Management II (0.5 Credits)

The goal of this course is for dental students to integrate the theoretical with the practical aspects of practice management. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 2811 Dental Anesthesiology (1 Credit)

This course introduces students to the wide spectrum of pain and anxiety control in dentistry. Students establish a basic understanding of additional techniques available to the dental practitioner to cope with the problems of anxiety and fear common in patients. A large portion of this course concentrates on training of nitrous oxide inhalation sedation. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 3706 Differential Diagnosis-Soft Tissue (1 Credit)

This course assists students in establishing a differential diagnosis for soft tissue pathoses occurring in the oral and paroral regions. This course is designed to present an orderly and sequential approach to the formulation of a working diagnosis. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENU 3707 Differential Diagnosis-Hard Tissue (1 Credit)

This course assists students in establishing a working diagnosis based on the radiographic findings of patients affected by lesions or conditions involving the teeth, jaws, and adjacent oral anatomy. This course is designed to present an orderly and sequential approach to the formulation of a radiographic differential diagnosis. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DDS Elective Fall (DBEB)

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DBEB 2202 Geriatric Oral Health Care Needs (1.5 Credits)

Students will participate in teams to assess the status of geriatric oral health in community centers. It is essential to interact with the family and caregivers who maintain or improve physiological, psychological and social well-being of the participants and will involve collaboration with an interdisciplinary team to analyze hindrances in access to care and make appropriate recommendations about an oral health problem resolution involving the elderly. Pass/Fail

DBEB 3052 Creating Lifetime Patients (0.5 Credits)

This seminar series will illustrate how to ethically generate loyal, lifelong patients. This elective will instruct students on how to identify the individual values, personality, and oral health goals of every patient. Also emphasized will be the verbal skills and visual components that impress the patient, generate patient referrals, and cultivate their trust and loyalty for a lifetime. Instructor's personal training script included. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 3106 Spanish for Dental Professionals (0.5 Credits)

This course is intended to assist students evolving from their conversational Spanish into simple, professional, dental-applicable Spanish language skills to ease communication an interaction with Spanish-speaking-only patients. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 3112 Intellectual Disability Clinical Care at Brookwood (0.5 Credits)

This elective provides dental students an opportunity to receive clinically enriching experiences in diagnosis, treatment planning, and management of adult patients with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD), as well as providing contemplative discussions with faculty on the value of interdisciplinary interaction with physicians, behavioral specialists and nurses for collaborative care. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 4004 Intellectual Disability Inter-Professional Care (1 Credit)

This elective course aims to provide students with an introduction to the treatment needs of adults with I/DD and the importance of an integrated care plan with behavioral specialists, physicians and nurses. Students will spend sixteen hours total for the class with three-hour sessions at the Baylor College of Medicine Transitional Care Clinic; and ten, didactic sessions learning proper case selection, facial dysmorphism concerns, treatment planning, incremental desensitization and case coordination. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 4111 Introduction to Minimally Invasive Prosthodontics: Resin Bonded Fix Partial Dent (0.5 Credits)

This elective is designed to teach students to evaluate the factors that create a nice restoration, utilizing minimally invasive prosthodontics techniques. The evolution of minimalistic restorations will be presented and avoiding problems with each technique will be discussed. Clinical situations will be presented for discussion, analog and digital techniques will be compared, and the student will have the opportunity to prepare one, anterior minimalistic restoration— analog or digital. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 4210 Introduction to Dental Sleep Medicine (0.5 Credits)

Students will learn about Sleep Related Breathing Disorders (SRBD) and its effect on the quality of life: its effect on oral health and overall health. Students also learn about pathophysiology, risk factors, comorbidities, and what key anatomical structures to look for during examination in order to be able to screen and recognize SRBD, including Obstructive Sleep Apnea. Students will learn about the role of a dentist in screening and referring of patients for further evaluation; and treatment modalities, including Oral Appliance Therapy, and its mechanism on opening the pharyngeal airway. Pass/Fail

DBEB 4212 Head and Neck Interprofessional Oncology (0.5 Credits)

The goal of this course is for the dental student to receive clinically enriching experiences in diagnosis, treatment planning, and management of patients with head and neck malignancies and be involved in contemplative discussions with faculty from UTHealth Houston Schools of Dentistry and Medicine. The student will join a multidisciplinary team that includes surgical oncologists, physical medicine specialists, audiologists, and speech therapists, and will be expected to have an active, point-of-care role in providing dental information to cancer patients. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 4605 Clerkship-Honors in Prosthodontics (1 Credit)

Selected students will be exposed to an advanced level of prosthodontic care and will be required to document a patient's complete treatment, concluding with a case presentation to the department faculty, residents, and fellow honor students. Students will be introduced to clinical teaching and the possibility of advanced training in prosthodontics. Pass/Fail

DBEB 4712 Advanced Oral Surgery Honors (2 Credits)

Selected students will be given the opportunity to perform more complex dentoalveolar surgery procedures, develop skills using a surgical handpiece, and be exposed to parenteral sedation techniques under the supervision of oral surgery attending faculty. The course is intended to allow dental students interested in the specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery to gain clinical experience performing more complex dentoalveolar surgery to include third molars. Pass/Fail

DBEB 4714 Mosaic Global Service in Vulnerable Patient Care (1.5 Credits)

In this course, we focus on three common student activities for global health learning in dental education: service learning, didactic learning, and experiential learning. This elective course provides second-year through fourth-year dental students and second-year dental hygiene students with an introduction to global service learning utilizing the resources of the global learning kit from Harvard School of Dental Medicine. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 4802 Introduction to Clear Aligner Treatment (1 Credit)

This elective provides fourth year dental students with an introduction to orthodontics clear aligner treatment, with emphasis on Invisalign®. Students will spend sixteen hours in both didactic and laboratory settings learning proper case selection, biomechanics of aligner treatment, software manipulation, and patient management and treatment with clear aligners. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 5001 Table Clinic (0.5-2 Credits)

Student driven research directed by faculty members. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5003 Investigative Research (1.5 Credits)

This course is designed for students who want to work on Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial (DOC) health-related research projects with UTSD faculty in the Fall Semester. The student will learn fundamental research skills in conducting experiments, analyzing data, scientific writing, and presentations. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5004 Special Projects (0.5-2 Credits)

Students will complete a project with oversight and approval by faculty. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5007 Beyond Silos: The Art of Observation (0.5 Credits)

Health science students may improve their skills of observation in a safe environment by first looking at art, translating into enhanced skills when observing medical and dental photographs, virtual scenarios, and in caring for the whole patient. In collaboration with the Museum of Fine Arts Houston, the UT Medical School, and School of Dentistry, students can spend three evenings (5:30-7:30 PM) at the MFAH enhancing observation and communication skills. Under the direction of experienced art educators and UT faculty, students experience a unique learning opportunity. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5008 Beyond Silos: Ethics, Historical Lesson (0.5 Credits)

This online and interprofessional course will explore ethics through the perspective of historical case studies and movies. Events in history will be analyzed for the role of health care providers and policy makers in acts that in retrospect many of us question the ethics of the people involved. Examples include the government's response to infectious diseases, such as AIDS and leprosy; informed consent and research integrity, as in the Tuskegee experiment; as well as genocide during the Holocaust and in Rwanda. The course will focus on exploring the lessons we can learn from history as we confront today's challenges. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5111 Dental Insurance Management in Private Practice (0.5 Credits)

This elective will serve to provide students a foundation of managing dental insurance as they enter private practice as either an associate dentist or practice owner. Accurate and ethical coding and billing will be emphasized. A working knowledge of dental insurance will also allow students to accurately evaluate the financial implications of plan participation. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5112 Advanced Dental Insurance Management in Private Practice (0.5 Credits)

This elective will provide students with a more detailed understanding of the role of insurance and the financial implications in a variety of practice styles, including private practice, DSO's, and corporate dentistry. There will be discussions of ethical dilemmas, contracts, staff training, and real-world insurance considerations designed to prepare students for life after dental school. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 5201 Special Project in Educational Research (1 Credit)

Prior to instructor approval of enrollment in this elective, students must submit a well-designed protocol for an educational research study. Students will conduct the research study during the academic year, culminating in the evaluation of the study and public presentation of the findings. Pass/Fail

DBEB 5203 Dental Fitness (0.5 Credits)

This elective is designed to stress the importance of taking care of the individual's body as it is subject it to the rigors of performing four-handed dentistry. It will cover principles of how stressors occur; ergonomic preventive guidelines; strength, flexibility and conditioning techniques; and how to take care of the individual for a lifetime of practice. Current evidence-based studies will be part of the elective, along with accepted training principles. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 5205 Humanities and Ethics: Sacred Sites (1 Credit)

This course will introduce students to various religions of Houston and Harris County. By visiting places of worship and interacting with faith members, the topic of faith and impacts on health will be addressed. Religions that have been covered in the course in the past include Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism and Bahaism. Each two-hour, place-of-worship site visit includes discussion with a religious leader. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 5908 Evaluation and Presentation of Scientific Research (1 Credit)

This elective is available to all dental students who desire to improve their oral presentation skills and knowledge about current research in a stimulating and critical-thinking environment. Students who participate in his elective will orally present scientific articles (40-45 minutes) or their own research results if they have sufficient data, including background information from published studies. Presenters will explain the strengths and weaknesses of their data and the rationale for their approach. Pass/Fail

DBEB 6801 Clinical Specialty Clerkship Honors in Pediatrics (1.5 Credits)

This elective is directed toward students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career in pediatric dentistry upon graduation and allows the student to further their knowledge in the field, gaining a broader perspective and more detailed knowledge of pediatrics. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 7115 Pediatric San Jose Clinic (0.5 Credits)

Students under Pediatric Dentistry faculty supervision will perform appropriate dental treatment for the San Jose Clinic pediatric patients. San Jose Clinic is a non-profit community-based, dental clinic with 13 chairs in downtown Houston. Students provide their own transportation. Pass/Fail

DBEB 7203 CAD/CAM Super User (0.5 Credits)

Faculty select students from each group practice for this CAD/CAM Super User Elective. This hands-on elective will serve as a training course for the users to develop their digital dentistry skills and allow them to troubleshoot difficult, clinical cases. The hands-on portion will cover scan and design of fixed restorations, evaluation and modification of designs, and design of occlusal guards and wax-ups. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 7204 Advanced Digital Dentistry (0.5 Credits)

Students will learn about advanced digital dentistry software that can be applied to clinical practice. This elective will teach the newest, digital dentistry methodologies. Lectures covering 3D-printing, digital smile design, and wax-ups are followed by demonstrations of the 3D printing process and a project. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 7208 Urgent Care (1 Credit)

Students, under faculty supervision, will perform appropriate dental treatment for Urgent Care. Pass/Fail

DBEB 7211 Looking at Dentistry in Shades of Gray (0.5 Credits)

In this elective, students address ethical issues of confidentiality, access to care, and the methods of informing patients through advertising, financial arrangements, and verbal or signed consent. Students will discuss ethical, decision-making that involves judging and deciding when there is an obligation to treat or a valid reason not to treat. Pass/Fail

DBEB 7603 Intellectual Disability Collaborative OH Nursing Care (1 Credit)

This elective course aims to provide the dental student with an introduction to the treatment needs of adults with intellectual disabilities and the importance of an integrated care plan with physicians and nurses. Students will have 10, one-hour didactic sessions learning proper case selection, collaborative treatment planning, and care coordination with nursing students, as well as two, three-hour sessions in a choice of four clinical settings. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEB 7706 Advanced Education in General Dentistry (1.5 Credits)

Students will sign up for one full week (Monday-Friday) with the Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Residency Program outside of the Fall or Spring Semesters and Summer Session. Students will observe and assist AEGD residents in clinical patient care activities. Attend all seminars and conferences. Treat dental emergency patients presenting to AEGD dental clinic under direct faculty supervision. Pass/Fail

DDS Elective Spring (DBEC)

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DBEC 1102 Ethics Video (0.5 Credits)

This elective provides a forum for the creation of a video entry in the ADA Student Ethics Video Contest and must meet the guidelines of the ADA Video Contest and the approval of the sponsoring faculty. The video should draw attention to the ethical dilemmas that dental students and dentists may encounter and/or new categories that maybe included in the ADA contest. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 2202 Geriatric Oral Health Care Needs (1.5 Credits)

Students are invited to participate in teams to assess the status of geriatric oral health in community centers. Learners will have the opportunity to acquire skills of observation, communication, examination and professionalism. Pass/Fail

DBEC 3052 Creating Lifetime Patients (0.5 Credits)

This seminar series will illustrate how to ethically generate loyal, lifelong patients. This elective will instruct students on how to identify the individual values, personality, and oral health goals of every patient. Also emphasized will be the verbal skills and visual components that impress the patient, generate patient referrals, and cultivate their trust and loyalty for a lifetime. Instructor's personal training script included. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 3112 Intellectual Disability Clinical Care at Brookwood (0.5 Credits)

This elective provides dental students with clinically enriching experiences in diagnosis, treatment planning and management of adult patients with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD), as well as providing contemplative discussions with faculty on the value of interdisciplinary interaction with physicians, behavioral specialists and nurses for collaborative care. Through the Brookwood facility and UTSD collaboration, dental students will acquire skills to diagnose, treatment plan, and manage adult patients with disabilities. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 3403 Special Patient Clinic Honors (0.5 Credits)

This elective will provide insight, clinic experience, and training when working with medically complex patients. Students will have an opportunity to enhance their exposure to diagnoses, treatment planning, management, and maintenance of patients with complex medical histories. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 3409 Clerkship-Honors in Periodontics (1 Credit)

Students are selected based on clinical, course-work completion and GPA. Student may gain experience in prescriptive surgical procedures such as crown lengthening, exposure to more sophisticated soft tissue grafting, and esthetic procedures. Students will have the opportunity to plan and treat an implant case in conjunction with a resident and faculty. Pass/Fail

DBEC 3717 Dental Specialties & Advanced GD Programs (0.5 Credits)

This elective consists of approximately 12 sessions, with each session led by faculty or program director from each of the advanced dental education programs to educate students on each discipline/program. Each session will have training and insight into the process of PASS, Match, and Interview Process. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 4004 Intellectual Disability Inter-Professional Care (1 Credit)

This elective course aims to provide students with an introduction to the treatment needs of adults with I/DD and the importance of an integrated care plan with behavioral specialists, physicians and nurses. Students will spend sixteen hours total for the class with three-hour sessions at the Baylor College of Medicine Transitional Care Clinic; and ten, didactic sessions learning proper case selection, facial dysmorphism concerns, treatment planning, incremental desensitization and case coordination. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 4111 Introduction to Minimally Invasive Prosthodontics: Resin Bonded Fix Partial Dent (0.5 Credits)

This elective is designed to teach students to evaluate the factors that create a nice restoration, utilizing minimally invasive prosthodontics techniques. The evolution of minimalistic restorations will be presented. Avoiding problems with each technique will be discussed. Clinical situations will be presented for discussion, analog and digital techniques will be compared, and the student will have the opportunity to prepare one, anterior minimalistic restoration—analogue or digital. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 4211 Advanced Sleep Apnea in Clinic Dental Practice (0.5 Credits)

Students will learn more about advanced pathophysiology of airway and phenotypic factors involved in SRBD leading to Obstructive Sleep Apnea; learn more about diagnostic test used by physicians to diagnose the disorder, learn more in depth about the mechanism, designs, and materials used in different oral appliances, participate in hands on session(s) on taking impression, fabricating MyTap, and morning aligners, learn about possible side effects and how to manage them. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 4605 Clerkship-Honors in Prosthodontics (1 Credit)

Selected students will be exposed to an advanced level of prosthodontic care and will be required to document a patient's complete treatment, concluding with a case presentation to the department faculty, residents, and fellow honor students. Students will be introduced to clinical teaching and the possibility of advanced training in prosthodontics. Pass/Fail

DBEC 4712 Advanced Oral Surgery - Honors (2 Credits)

Selected students will be given the opportunity to perform more complex dentoalveolar surgery procedures; develop skills using a surgical handpiece; and be exposed to parenteral sedation techniques under the supervision of oral surgery attending faculty. The course is intended to allow dental students interested in the specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery to gain clinical experience performing more complex dentoalveolar surgery to include third molars. Pass/Fail

DBEC 4714 Mosaic Global Service in Vulnerable Patient Care (1.5 Credits)

Dental and Dental Hygiene students have limited exposure to vulnerable patients in other cultures that require cultural competency to impact the social determinants of oral health to overall health. This is a joint project with the University of Puerto Rico School of Dentistry with the UTSD supported by private donation and grant funding for learning in community service. Reported positive outcomes from community and global health learning include increased likelihood to care for patients who are economically and socially disadvantaged in the future, improved cultural awareness, and increased interest in public health and primary care career-related opportunities. In this course we focus on three common student activities for global health learning in dental education: service learning, didactic learning, and experiential learning. Service learning consists of observing direct patient care as a trainee/student under the supervision of a faculty dentist. Experiential learning involves having a concrete experience related to but beyond content taught within the walls of the classroom that informs how students perceive social determinants in class and then visit community members in poverty and learn how that directly and indirectly impacts the health of community members. Optional IRB approved research will be encouraged. This elective course provides second-year through fourth year dental students and second year dental hygiene students with an introduction to global service learning utilizing the resources of the global learning kit from Harvard School of Dental Medicine. Students will spend 25 hours total for the class with one, two-hour lecture; three, one-hour, lunch- and-learn sessions; and completion of five online didactic modules (4 hours each) learning cultural competency, addressing social determinants of health, ethics and primary care. After completion of the elective, students will be eligible to participate in one week of experience learning at UPR to be completed as a separate optional, noncredit-related activity. Evaluation by essays or short quizzes at each session prior to each of four didactic sessions. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 4801 Advanced Orthodontics - Honors (1-2 Credits)

Students who have demonstrated exceptional academic and Clinical performance with an interest in Orthodontics as a specialty and have the approval of their Practice Leader will be provided advanced training in orthodontic diagnosis and treatment prior to beginning a residency program in orthodontics. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5001 Table Clinic (0.5-2 Credits)

Student driven research directed by faculty members. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5002 Thesis Literature Review (0.5-2 Credits)

Students submit a thesis directed and approved by faculty. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5003 Investigative Research (1.5 Credits)

This course is designed for students who want to work on Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial (DOC) health-related research projects with UTSD faculty in the Spring Semester. The student will learn fundamental research skills in conducting experiments, analyzing data, scientific writing, and presentations. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5004 Special Projects (0.5-2 Credits)

Students will complete a project with oversight and approval by faculty. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5007 Beyond Silos: The Art of Observation (0.5 Credits)

Health science students may improve their skills of observation in a safe environment by first looking at art, translating into enhanced skills when observing medical and dental photographs, virtual scenarios, and, ultimately, in caring for the whole patient. In collaboration with the Museum of Fine Arts Houston, the UT Medical School, and the School of Dentistry, students can spend three evenings (5:30-7:30 PM) at the MFAH enhancing observation and communication skills. Under the direction of experienced art educators and UT faculty, students experience a unique learning opportunity. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5009 Beyond Silos: Mental Illness, Humanities (0.5 Credits)

Each session will focus on pathography of mental illness, including texts such as William Styron's *Darkness Visible* (a memoir of depression/melancholia) and Kay Jamison's *An Unquiet Mind* (a memoir of bipolar disorder/manic-depression). This elective is reading-intensive, and each class meeting will be discussion-based, with class meetings conducted as a humanities-style, graduate seminar led by students. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5111 Dental Insurance Management in Private Practice (0.5 Credits)

This elective will serve to provide students a foundation of managing dental insurance as they enter private practice as either an associate dentist or practice owner. Accurate and ethical coding and billing will be emphasized. A working knowledge of dental insurance will also allow students to accurately evaluate the financial implications of plan participation. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5112 Advanced Dental Insurance Management in Private Practice (0.5 Credits)

This elective will serve to provide students with a more detailed understanding of the role of insurance and the financial implications in a variety of practice styles, including private practice, DSO's and corporate dentistry. There will be discussions of ethical dilemmas, contracts, staff training and real-world insurance considerations designed to prepare students for life after dental school. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 5201 Special Project in Educational Research (1 Credit)

Prior to instructor approval of enrollment in this elective, students must submit a well-designed protocol for an educational research study. Students will conduct the research study during the academic year, culminating in the evaluation of the study and public presentation of the findings. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5204 Dental Fitness (0.5 Credits)

This elective is designed to stress the importance of taking care of the individual's body as it is subject to the rigors of performing four-handed dentistry. It will cover principles of how stressors occur; ergonomic preventive guidelines; strength, flexibility and conditioning techniques; and how to take care of the individual for a lifetime of practice. Current evidence-based studies will be part of the elective, along with accepted training principles. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 5205 Humanities and Ethics: Sacred Sites (1 Credit)

This course will introduce students to various religions of Houston and great Harris County. By visiting places of worship and interacting with faith members, the topic of faith and impacts on health will be addressed. Religions that have been covered in the course in the past include Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism and Bahaism. Each two-hour, place-of-worship site visit includes discussion with a religious leader. Pass/Fail

DBEC 5208 Integrated Dermatological Dental Elective (0.5 Credits)

Through the collaborative efforts of the Department of Dermatology (MD Anderson) and the Department of General Practice and Dental Public Health, dental students will perform a structured, detailed skin assessment of the head and neck. Based on clinical descriptions, the dental student utilizes algorithms to triage referral urgency. The valuable role of a dentist as a frontline health professional for the identification and appropriate referral of melanoma, non-melanoma, and other cutaneous lesions of the head and neck will be emphasized. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 5908 Evaluation and Presentation of Scientific Research (1 Credit)

This elective is available to all dental students who desire to improve their oral presentation skills and knowledge about current research in a stimulating and critical-thinking environment. Students who participate in his elective will orally present (40-45 min) their own research results if they have sufficient data, including background information from published studies. Presenters will explain the strengths and weaknesses of their data and the rationale for their approach. Pass/Fail

DBEC 6201 Color & Appearance: Theory & Practice (1 Credit)

Students will learn some appearance attributes such as gloss, surface roughness, transparency, translucency, opalescence, fluorescence, and phosphorescence. Color corrections of restorative materials and tooth bleaching will be covered as well. The student will learn about clinical shade matching and participate in a color training program using custom designed software. Pass/Fail

DBEC 6801 Clinical Specialty Clerkship Honors in Pediatrics (1.5 Credits)

This elective is directed toward students who have a strong interest in pursuing a career in pediatric dentistry upon graduation. It is intended to allow the student to further their knowledge in the field, gaining a broader perspective and more detailed knowledge of pediatrics. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7001 INTERACTIVE ORAL BIOLOGY (1 Credit)

The course is a participation-driven seminar designed to make students more comfortable and knowledgeable when discussing oral pathology. A series of clinical cases will be presented and discussed each week. The discussion will focus on describing pathologic lesions, providing a reasonable differential diagnosis, and knowing the proper course of action to take when oral pathologic lesions are discovered. Those enrolled in the elective will be evaluated by their level of participation and a final oral evaluation. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7115 Pediatric San Jose Clinic (0.5 Credits)

Students under Pediatric dentistry faculty supervision will perform appropriate dental treatment for the San Jose Clinic pediatric patients. San Jose Clinic is a non-profit, community based-dental clinic in downtown Houston. Students will provide their own transportation. A case presentation of treatment rendered will be showed at a group meeting of all participants. Two Saturday sessions per semester are required. Pass/Fail

DBEC 7203 CAD/CAM Super User (0.5 Credits)

CAD/CAM Super Users are selected by faculty from each group practice. This elective will serve as a training course for the super users to develop their digital dentistry skills and allow them to troubleshoot difficult, clinical cases. Lectures will focus on an overview of the most common missteps and their solutions. The hands-on portion of the elective will cover scan and design of fixed restorations, evaluation and modification of designs, and design of occlusal guards and wax-ups. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7204 Advanced Digital Dentistry (0.5 Credits)

Students will learn about advanced digital dentistry software that can be applied to clinical practice. This elective will teach the newest, digital dentistry methodologies. Lectures covering 3D-printing, digital smile design, and wax-ups are followed by a hands-on demonstration and a project. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7208 Urgent Care (1 Credit)

Students, under faculty supervision, will perform appropriate dental treatment for Urgent Care. Pass/Fail

DBEC 7210 Oral Medical Examination (1 Credit)

All participants will be required to complete two sessions of full head and neck and oral medical examination on new patients. The sessions will be held in the Urgent Care or Assessment Clinics under supervision by faculty instructors within the elective. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7211 Looking at Dentistry in Shades of Gray (0.5 Credits)

In this elective, students address ethical issues of confidentiality, access to care, and the forms of informing patients including advertising, financial arrangements and verbal/signed consent. The dental student will discuss ethical decision making that involves judging and deciding when there is an obligation to treat or a valid reason not to treat. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7212 Multiple Shades of Gray (1 Credit)

This course is intended to be an extension of the original DBEB 7211 elective, where dental students were presented with clinical case situations and posed ethical and profession conflict. Students will have the opportunity to define an ethical issue that may occur in dental school or early in their career and develop a response. A special project will be designed by the student under the mentorship of the instructors to provide a format for the resolution and may take the form of a PowerPoint Presentation, a paper suitable for publication, a poster suitable for publication at a dental meeting, or pamphlet or survey used to gain additional information. Pass/Fail, F not in GPA

DBEC 7706 Advanced Education in General Dentistry (1.5 Credits)

Students will sign up for one full week (Monday-Friday) with the Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Residency Program. Students will observe and assist AEGD residents in clinical patient care activities. Attend all seminars and conferences. Treat dental emergency patients presenting to AEGD dental clinic under direct faculty supervision. Pass/Fail

DDS Fall (DENF)

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DENF 1504 Neurosciences (2 Credits)

This course covers the aspects of the structure and function of the Central Nervous System (CNS) essential for understanding neurologically-related clinical problems, including cranial nerve disorders, neurological syndromes, mechanisms of pain production and perception and the neurophysiology of mastication and occlusion. At the conclusion of this course, the student should be prepared for detailed study of the medications affecting the nervous system, and for consulting with physicians with respect to patients suffering from neurological disease. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1510 Biomedical Science Core (5 Credits)

The course is designed to present foundational knowledge starting with biochemical building blocks and proceeding to the cell and tissue levels. The course will integrate biochemistry, general histology, anatomy, and physiology. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1511 Oral Biology I (3.5 Credits)

The course is designed to present a roadmap of the oral cavity, looking at a broad integrated view of the oral anatomy, oral histology, saliva, clinical and oral immunology, embryology, and oral microbiology. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1543 Clinical Applications I (2.5 Credits)

The course is designed to be a small-group learning opportunity for student to correlate topics presented in the Biomedical Science Core, Oral Biology I, and other dental courses through case-based discussions and projects. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1601 Dental Anatomy I (2 Credits)

Students are required to learn the anatomical and morphological characteristics of the teeth and their supporting structures, inter-arch and intra-arch relationships and eruption. Combined with the complementary lab courses, students will be able to fabricate dental restorations that meet anatomical, morphological, and functional requirements. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1621 Ethics in Dentistry (0.5 Credits)

This course helps students in the performance of academic work, clinical treatment, or research, and to have the capability of analyzing and addressing the problem. This course seeks to emphasize that ethics is a working discipline to help a dentist understand how to make critical decisions, and how to take appropriate and logical actions in dealing with patients, colleagues, and society. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1651 Foundational Skills for Clinic I (1 Credit)

This course introduces students to the principles of electronic health records; presents infection control concepts appropriate to the clinical setting; and introduces the principles of dental chairside assisting and four-handed dentistry. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1934 Introduction to Population Health (1.5 Credits)

This course will address prevention, intervention, educational strategies; and participation with dental and other healthcare professionals in patient management and health promotion. Students will be introduced to basic concepts of dental epidemiology will have the opportunity to plan, develop and implement oral health promotion and prevention programs for diverse populations. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 1991 Introduction to Dental Informatics (0.5 Credits)

This course offers an introduction to dental informatics and the technological environment of the School of Dentistry. The course includes an emphasis on understanding the critical role of data and information in dentistry and reviews the concepts of clinical decision-making, critical thinking skills, clinical effectiveness, evidence-based dentistry, and the ability to retrieve and critically evaluate information resources. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 2564 Dental Therapeutics (2 Credits)

The course is designed to provide knowledge of drugs commonly used in the treatment of dental disease. Students will also study drugs primarily used in medicine, which fit in the same categories as dentally used drug, whenever it is appropriate. Topics include antibiotics, autonomic drugs, pain and anxiety control drugs, inflammation and anti-inflammatory drugs, anticaries and antiplaque agents. Principles and application of prescription writing are integrated throughout the course. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 2703 Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology II (1 Credit)

This course introduces students to the advanced aspects of oral and maxillofacial radiology. The radiographic examination plays an integral role in the diagnostic process in dentistry. The practitioner uses radiographic images to diagnose those structures which cannot be seen during the clinical evaluation. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 2705 Pathobiology (6 Credits)

The course is designed to provide foundational knowledge of the etiology, pathogenesis, morphologic changes, and functional consequences of pathologic processes. The course will encompass the general principles and mechanisms of diseases, as well as the pathologic mechanisms of the various organ systems. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 2722 Perio II: Nonsurgical Periodontal Therapy (1 Credit)

This periodontics course is designed to introduce students to the basic principles of periodontal therapy. The core of the course will emphasize the initial phase of periodontal treatment and expose students to the basic techniques used to eliminate the etiologic factors involved in the development of inflammatory periodontal diseases. The scaling and root planning laboratory exercise will emphasize the skills that are essential to scale and root plane periodontally affected teeth. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 2962 Pediatric Dentistry I (1 Credit)

This course introduces the learners to the fundamental knowledge areas and considerations related to provision of dental treatment to pediatric patients. Emphasis will be placed on dental disease, etiology and prevention, recognition and management of disorders common to childhood and the non-pharmacological behavior management. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3541 Emergency Procedures I (1 Credit)

This course brings together the individual medical emergency procedures presented in courses throughout the dental curriculum. It serves as a method for understanding their use in the clinical situation and to develop a greater sense of confidence in their application. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3672 Biomaterials II (1 Credit)

This course will acquaint the student with the properties of bleaching agents, various types of dental adhesives, laboratory composites, dental cements, and color principles in dentistry. Additionally, the course will provide an opportunity for clinical problem-solving relating to the properties and materials introduced. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3710 Endo II: Biological Applications in Endo (0.5 Credits)

This course helps students acquire a more in-depth understanding of pupal and periradicular pathophysiology, of techniques for diagnosing pulpal and periradicular disease, and of techniques for biomechanical canal instrumentation and obturation. Also included is an in-depth discussion of the management of endodontic emergencies. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3721 Perio III: Surgical Perio Therapy (0.5 Credits)

This course prepares students to manage patients with periodontal disease. Students will have the opportunity to learn to select patients they are capable of treating and identify those with more complex cases who should be referred to a periodontist. Students should apply the rationale for periodontal surgical procedures, compare and evaluate basic periodontal surgical techniques, and perform simple flap procedures in the laboratory, under the supervision of a Periodontics faculty member. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3807 Advanced Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (0.5 Credits)

This course prepares students to recognize advanced oral and maxillofacial surgery problems that in most cases will require a referral to an oral and maxillofacial surgeon. These procedures include biopsy of both soft and hard tissue lesions, correction of dentofacial deformities, surgical treatment of cleft lip and palate and treatment of salivary gland diseases. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3808 Essentials in Medicine II (2 Credits)

This course is an in-depth examination and continuation of the medical principles presented in Essentials in Medicine I. The course will prepare the student to quantify pertinent positive findings obtained from the subjective medical history and objective focused physical examination. The course incorporates and distinguishes the clinical relevance of pertinent applied pharmacotherapeutics in patient management. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3904 Introduction to Orofacial Pain (1 Credit)

The goal of this course is to equip third-year dental students with a comprehensive understanding of orofacial pain and temporomandibular disorders (TMD) by delving into the etiologic factors, social, structural, psychological, physiological, and pathological contributors. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3961 Pediatric Dentistry III (1 Credit)

In preparing for pediatric patients, students learn the reasons for oral health examinations and the methods by which such exams are conducted. Students also become familiar with important principles and guidelines for rendering treatment to the pediatric patient with special needs. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 3971 Orthodontics (1 Credit)

This course provides students an introduction and background in elements of orthodontics with which the general practitioner should be familiar in order to treat limited orthodontic cases. Students then learn orthodontic triage: separating patients who can be treated by a general practitioner from those who will require referral to a dental specialist. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENF 4623 Practice Management IV (0.5 Credits)

The goal of this course is to reinforce the skills necessary for practice management, including team leadership, as part of a successful, general dentistry practice. This course introduces the how-to of reviewing associate contracts and is a continuation of the previous three, Practice Management courses. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DDS Preclinical Fall (DEPF)

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DEPF 1602 Dental Anatomy Lab I (1 Credit)

In this lab course, students will have the opportunity to learn the psychomotor skills and develop the judgment required to restore teeth. Dental inlay wax will be manipulated to restore missing tooth structure to prepared teeth, so that the restored teeth meet morphological and functional requirements. Students will learn to evaluate a wax-up in four aspects: marginal integrity, surface finish, anatomic form, and occlusal relationship. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPF 2614 Operative Dentistry II Simulation (4 Credits)

This course prepares students to transfer knowledge and skills pertaining to operative dentistry procedures (silver amalgam restorations, composite resin restorations and current bonding systems, techniques) from the dentaforms on the laboratory bench to the clinical setting on a patient. Students are also introduced to advanced composite resin restorations and the techniques and fabrication procedures involved in their application. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPF 2912 Indirect Single Unit Restoration (2.5 Credits)

The course addresses the terminology, materials, techniques, and basic principles involved with prosthodontic diagnostic procedures, tooth preparations (inlays, onlays, full gold, and metal-ceramic) impression making and master cast fabrication, interim restoration, waxing and occlusion, and the fabrication of cast restorations using the lost wax process. Students learn how to fabricate castings for try in and cementation. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPF 2913 Removable Prosthodontics I (2 Credits)

This course introduces the student to the basic principles of removable prosthodontics. The course will address the treatment of patients requiring complete denture (CD) therapy. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPF 3673 Advanced Restorative & Esthetics (2 Credits)

This is a preclinical course presented in the simulation center to expose students to current techniques and materials in esthetic and restorative dentistry. This course equips students with the skills to properly diagnose, treatment plan, and perform a variety of advanced restorative procedures with appropriate materials in context of comprehensive care. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DDS Preclinical Spring (DEPS)

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DEPS 1604 Dental Anatomy Lab II: Prin of Occlusion (2 Credits)

Through lectures and formative laboratory and clinical experiences, students will recognize the role of occlusion in comprehensive oral diagnosis and its applications in the practice of dentistry. This course introduces fundamental principles of occlusion and impression techniques. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPS 1614 Operative Dentistry I (4 Credits)

Students will perform the operative procedures on dentaforms mounted in the Kavo heads utilizing direct and indirect vision to simulate clinical operative dentistry procedures. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPS 2712 Endodontics I:Simulation (2 Credits)

This course provides practical preclinical experience in performing a nonsurgical root canal treatment on uncomplicated anterior, premolar, and molar teeth, and prepares students in the management of pulpal and periradicular disease through a series of classes and laboratory sessions, including various simulation projects. Problem-solving skills, critical-thinking, patient-simulation, radiology, and self-assessment criteria are emphasized throughout the course. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPS 2908 Fixed Prosthodontics (2 Credits)

This course introduces students to basic principles of fixed partial prosthodontics. It is designed to teach students the terminology, materials, techniques, and basic principles of treating patients with fixed partial dentures (FPD). Students learn the basic principles and skills to prepare, provisionalize, and fabricate FPD and prepare cases for fabrication in a remote dental laboratory. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPS 2914 Removable Prosthodontics II (1 Credit)

Students will continue to build on the concepts learned in Removable Prosthodontics I course. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DEPS 2965 Pediatric Dentistry II Lab: Simulation (1 Credit)

This course will introduce restorative techniques for both cavity preparation and restoration of primary teeth. Within the context of the laboratory, students will learn to prepare primary teeth for the most common types of restorations currently utilized in pediatric dentistry. The space maintenance portion of this course will teach the proper construction of these appliances. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DDS Preclinical Summer (DEPU)

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DEPU 2625 Digital Dentistry (1 Credit)

The purpose of this course is to build upon fundamental prosthodontic restorative, indirect restorative, dental anatomy, and occlusion concepts and apply them to digital dentistry. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DDS Spring (DENS)

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DENS 1512 Head and Neck Anatomy (4 Credits)

Upon completion of this course, the student should know the structures and arrangement of the human head and neck in detail and the general scheme of whole-body anatomy. The greatest amount of time and detail are directed toward the study of head and neck Anatomy using plastinated models. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D Course fee: \$500

DENS 1513 Human Biology (4 Credits)

This course integrates the anatomy, histology, and physiology of the major system of the human body and how these topics interrelate in a healthy individual. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 1514 Oral Biology II (2 Credits)

This course provides in-depth information on oral histology and the temporomandibular joint. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 1544 Clinical Applications II (2.5 Credits)

The course is designed to be a small-group learning opportunity for students to correlate topics presented in Head and Neck Anatomy, Neurosciences, Human Biology, Oral Biology II, and other dental courses through case-based discussions and projects. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 1624 Practice Management I (0.5 Credits)

Practice Management I begins the educational process of the student in business concepts, and includes an introduction to the principles and practices of personal finance, allowing the student to begin to create his/her individually customized strategic plan for a successful career in dentistry. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 1652 Foundational Skills for Clinic II (1 Credit)

Students will continue to build on the concepts learned in Foundational Skills for Clinic I course. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 1672 Biomaterials I (1.5 Credits)

This course provides an applied science foundation for understanding important physical, chemical, and mechanical properties of dental materials. Laboratory sessions are designed to familiarize the student with the handling of dental materials that will be used in the UTSD preclinical laboratories and clinics, as well as in their eventual professional practice. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2706 Oral Diseases (4 Credits)

The course is designed to present a comprehensive background on a wide variety of diseases that affect the oral and maxillofacial regions. Information necessary to identify and manage disease in a private practice setting will be provided. Case-based discussions will support didactic instruction. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2801 Preclinical Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (1 Credit)

This course emphasizes the concepts of patient management: medical and dental history taking, review of systems, tissue handling, and wound repair. Students learn basic surgical principles associated with uncomplicated and complicated exodontia, soft tissue mucoperiosteal flap design, aseptic technique, and surgical armamentarium. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2804 Essentials in Medicine I (3 Credits)

The course is designed to prepare students to recognize the physical signs of systemic disease, while learning the essential techniques of obtaining a medical history and physical examination. Students learn to collect adequate information of factual information, correlate and analyze clinical and radiographic findings, establish a differential diagnosis and develop a dental management plan based upon the patient's treatment needs. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2915 Implantology I (1.5 Credits)

This course introduces the student to the clinical and laboratory aspects of placing and restoring dental implants for a two-implant assisted overdenture and a single-implant retained crown. The course will expand the student's knowledge and understanding of treatment planning for endosseous implants and provide hands-on training in the fabrication of an implant stent, surgical placement of implants, selection and placement of abutments, pickup of overdenture attachments and fabrication of a provisional restoration. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2936 Behav Context-Dent Patient Mgmt (1 Credit)

This course familiarizes students with the behavioral science aspects of dental patient management. This course attempts to create an awareness of the unique developmental and behavioral facets of the dental patient at each stage of the life span, and to provide the student with the basic knowledge necessary to understand human behavior as it applies to the practice of dentistry. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2961 Growth & Development (0.5 Credits)

Information on physical growth and dental development is presented sequentially beginning with prenatal growth and extending into adult life where developmental changes continue at a slower pace. Students are introduced to basic concepts of postnatal human growth and development, to the nature of craniofacial growth, and to the theories of craniofacial growth. The etiology of malocclusion and the special developmental problems of children with malocclusion and dentofacial deformity are considered in some detail. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 2964 Pediatric Dentistry II: Treatment Concepts (1 Credit)

Students will learn different diagnostic methods (including assessment, clinical examination, and radiographic examination), treatment planning options, (including indications and contraindications of restorative treatment, pulpal therapy, and space maintenance), and pharmacologic management of pain infection for the pediatric population. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3622 Practice Management III (1 Credit)

This course presents the skills necessary for business management as part of a successful general dentistry practice. The course is designed as a capstone for Practice Management, as it seeks to synthesize and apply knowledge learned. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3705 Oral Oncology (0.5 Credits)

This course enables students to recognize and manage head and neck oral cancer, make appropriate referrals, and manage the oral complications secondary to cancer treatment. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3706 Differential Diagnosis-Soft Tissue (1 Credit)

This course assists students in establishing a differential diagnosis for soft tissue pathoses occurring in the oral and paroral regions. This course is designed to present an orderly and sequential approach to the formulation of a working diagnosis. This involves learning the classification system of lesions, the characteristic features of these lesions, the relative incidence of these conditions, and the gender, age, anatomical site, and ethnic predilection of patients. Students learn to describe the characteristics of the more common oral and head and neck lesions. In addition, students provide at least three reasonable differential diagnoses for each lesion based on clinical description, symptomatology, and epidemiological data. Students also learn to formulate an appropriate treatment plan derived from the working diagnosis. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3707 Differential Diagnosis-Hard Tissue (1 Credit)

This course assists students in establishing a working diagnosis based on the radiographic findings of patients affected by lesions or conditions involving the teeth, jaws, and adjacent oral anatomy. This course is designed to present an orderly and sequential approach to the formulation of a radiographic differential diagnosis. A differential diagnosis is obtained by including or excluding certain lesions or conditions based on their radiographic manifestations and clinical presentation. When coordinated with a patient's history and other pertinent clinical and laboratory data, a working diagnosis usually can be established. In many instances a biopsy and/or surgical treatment may be indicated. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3711 Endo III:Advanced Endodontics (1 Credit)

This course enables students to diagnose the need for and describe the endodontic treatment related to assessment of difficulty factors; traumatic injuries to teeth, including vital pulp exposures; root resorption; endodontic-periodontic relationships; surgical endodontics; pain and anxiety management; antibiotics, analgesics, and bleaching of vital and pulpless teeth; pediatric-endodontics; post-endodontic restorations, and case difficulty assessment; endodontic failures/retreatment; and geriatric endodontics. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3723 Advanced Periodontics (1 Credit)

This course is designed to bring together concepts presented to student in previous courses in Periodontics. This course will focus on clinical application of these concepts in a case-based approach. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3806 Implant II: Treatment Planning (0.5 Credits)

This course exposes students to the complexities of implant case treatment planning and the decision-making process relative to conventional prosthodontics and implant supported prosthetics. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3902 Advanced Prosthodontics (1 Credit)

The course is organized to provide an overview of Occlusion, Fixed Prosthodontics, Removable Prosthodontics, and Implant restorations. An important component of this course is the presentation of several clinical scenarios developed to challenge the student to investigate, analyze, justify, and objectively evaluate the outcomes of the proposed treatment plans. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3932 Dental Public Health (1 Credit)

This course exposes students to the various processes important to the provision of dental care to the individual and the community, emerging non-traditional forms of private practice, and basic concepts of dental public health. Students gain knowledge of the principles of dental public health, various forms of financing of dental care, as well as different oral health care systems. 0-100 (DENT) Begin 2001D

DENS 3991 Integrated Board Review (1 Credit)

This course is not to teach new content, but to review information and develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills to help maximize student performance on the Integrated National Board Dental Examination. This course should not be considered a substitute for individual student preparation to take the National Board Dental Examination. Pass/Fail

DENS 4541 Emergency Procedures II (0 Credits)

This course brings together all medical emergency procedures presented in courses throughout the student's dental education and serves as a method for understanding their use in the clinical situation. Pass/Fail

DENS 4622 Laws and Regulations Affecting Dentistry (0.5 Credits)

This seminar series enables students to comply with the requirements of the various regulatory agencies associated with the practice of dentistry. In particular, students should have the opportunity to gain sufficient understanding of the Occupations Code - Title 1, Title 2, Title 3 (Texas Dental Practice Act) /Rules and Regulations to ultimately pass the jurisprudence exam administered by the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners. Pass/Fail

Dental Hygiene Bachelor (DHBS)

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DHBS 3101 Pre-Clinical Technique (5 Credits)

5 credit hours (3 lec., 6 lab) An introduction to the basic theories, principles, and procedures used in dental hygiene practice, with primary emphasis on the techniques of instrumentation used in performing diagnostic, preventive, and therapeutic services. The dental hygiene student will have an opportunity to practice these techniques on manikins and student partners in the clinic. Letter Graded

DHBS 3103 Oral Disease Prevention I (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (3 lec., 1 lab) A course designed to provide the student with the background knowledge to assess patient oral health needs, to select appropriate preventive strategies, and to present information and demonstration techniques for effective patient education. Letter Graded
Course fee: \$30

DHBS 3105 Dental Radiology I (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (2 lec., 1 lab) An introduction to the production and emission of dental x-radiation, safety precautions, and the exposure processing and interpretation of dental radiographs. Letter Graded

DHBS 3107 Head and Neck Anatomy (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (2 lec) A study of the anatomic structures of the head and neck. Emphasis is placed on the muscles of mastication, salivary glands, and the vascular, lymphatic, and nerve supply to the head and neck as it relates to the clinical practice of the dental hygienist. Letter Graded
Course fee: \$100

DHBS 3108 Oral Histology and Embryology (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (2 lec.) A study of the embryology and microscopic anatomy of human tissues with emphasis on the formation of the face, oral cavity, and dental structures. Clinical relevance will be stressed for applicability to pathology and periodontology. Letter Graded

DHBS 3109 Dental Anatomy (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (2 lec., 2 lab) The essentials of nomenclature, anatomical form, structure and function of the permanent teeth, with some study devoted to primary teeth, is presented. Laboratory practice includes identification of natural extracted teeth, the reproduction of tooth forms to emphasize morphology and functional relationships, and the adaptability of clinical instrument to root structures of varying topography. Letter Graded

DHBS 3201 Clinical Practice I (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (10 clinic) Prerequisite: DHCT 2101 and DHBS 2105. This introductory clinical course offers the student individual instruction and clinical practice in all phases of providing basic dental hygiene services. Letter Graded

DHBS 3202 Clinical Seminar I (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (3 lec.) A continuation of information designed to provide an opportunity to enhance performance of procedures in a clinical setting. Emphasis will be placed on patient management, care of appliances, caries recognition, pulp testing, and desensitization. Periodontal nomenclature and clinical characteristics of periodontal tissues in health and disease will be introduced. Letter Graded

DHBS 3205 Dental Radiology II (1 Credit)

1 credit hour (1 lec., 1 lab) An introduction to supplemental intra-oral techniques and basic extra-oral radiographic techniques including patient/film positioning and the resulting film. Diagnostic information and normal radiographic anatomy of these various views will be presented. Letter Graded

DHBS 3206 General Oral Pathology (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (3 lec.) An introduction to diseases affecting the oral region, including the principles of inflammation and healing, developmental disturbances, the pathology of dental caries, dental and oral abnormalities, bacterial, viral and mycotic diseases, oral injuries, and neoplasms. Premalignant lesions and their differences from common benign conditions are emphasized. Letter Graded

DHBS 3209 Dental Emergencies (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (2 lec) This course provides the student the opportunity to study dental office emergencies with emphasis on prevention, prompt recognition, and effective emergency care. Letter Graded

DHBS 3210 Oral Disease Prevention II (1 Credit)

1 credit hour (1 lec. 1 lab) This course provides the dental hygiene student with opportunities to apply principles of plaque control, patient education, and disease prevention. In addition to lectures, learning activities will include problem-based learning and case presentations. Letter Graded

DHBS 3211 Periodontology (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (3 lec.) This course includes advanced study in periodontics as it relates to dental hygiene practice. Emphasis will be placed on etiology and pathology of periodontal diseases, diagnostic work-up, advanced principles of instrumentation, prevention, and treatment of periodontal diseases and occlusal disorders, and clinical case discussion. Letter Graded

DHBS 3500 Clinical Seminar II (2 Credits)

2 credit hour (2 lec.) Root morphology, advanced root planning, and ultrasonic scaling, amalgam polishing, and sealants will be emphasized in this course, along with patient management techniques when performing advanced instrumentation skills. Letter Graded

DHBS 3501 Clinical Practice II (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (21 clinic) Prerequisite: DHCT 2201/DHBS 3201 This course provides the opportunity for additional clinical treatment for patients and skills development. Letter Graded

DHBS 3505 Periodontology I (1 Credit)

Periodontology I Letter Graded

DHBS 3506 Dental Materials (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (2 lec. 2 lab) This course address characteristics, properties, manipulation, and evaluation of various materials utilized in dental procedures along with chair-side assisting principles and techniques. Emphasis is placed on the laboratory procedures performed and materials used by the dental hygienist. Letter Graded Course fee: \$30

DHBS 4301 Clinical Practice III (4 Credits)

4 credit hours (14 clinic) Prerequisite: DHCT 2301/DHBS 3501. This course is an introduction to advanced instrumentation procedures, including root planning and ultrasonic scaling, and the practice of basic and advanced techniques at chair-side. Rotations to other departments in the School of Dentistry and Texas Medical Center will be introduced. Patient management and professionalism are stressed in this stage of clinical development. Letter Graded

DHBS 4302 Clinical Seminar III (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (2 lec.) Root morphology, advanced root planning, and ultrasonic scaling, amalgam polishing, and sealants will be emphasized in this course, along with patient management techniques when performing advanced instrumentation skills. Letter Graded

DHBS 4303 Community Dental Health (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (3 lec.) This course is an introduction to the tools of epidemiology and biostatistics, and includes the critical analysis of scientific literature and the methods and materials necessary to teach dental health to individuals and groups. As community health promoters, the student will have an opportunity to address and attempt to resolve critical issues in the current delivery system. Letter Graded Course fee: \$30

DHBS 4308 Pharmacology (2 Credits)

2 credit hours. (2 lec.) This course is a study of the action use and effect of commonly used drugs on the human body. Emphasis is placed on the practical evaluation of drugs utilized by the dentist, and drugs being taken by dental patients and their effect on treatment. Letter Graded

DHBS 4310 Applied Nutrition (1 Credit)

1 credit hour (1 lec.) This course is a dental-related study of nutrition. Interrelationships of the diet and oral health will be addressed. A case-based approach will be utilized to demonstrate the crucial connection between systemic health, nutrition and oral health. Letter Graded

DHBS 4311 Special Needs Patients (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (2 lec.) This course is an introduction to the assessment and management of patients with special needs, including patients whose medical, physical, psychological, or social conditions make it necessary to modify procedures in order to provide dental hygiene treatment for that individual. Letter Graded

DHBS 4401 Clinical Practice IV (4 Credits)

4 credit hours. (14 clinic) Prerequisite: DHCT 3301/DHBS 4301. These clinical sessions combine both basic and advanced dental hygiene skills with time management techniques essential for private practice. Root planning, sealant application, ultrasonic instrumentation, amalgam polishing, and nutritional counseling will be emphasized. Rotations to other departments will be continued. Letter Graded

DHBS 4402 Clinical Seminar IV (1 Credit)

1 credit hours (1 lec.) This course will provide an opportunity for the student to clarify values and discuss treatment of special needs patients. The student will discuss professional ethics, laws governing the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene, malpractice, and liability. Letter Graded

DHBS 4403 Community Dental Health Practice (2 Credits)

2 credit hours (1 lec., 3 lab/field experiences) Prerequisite: DH 3303. This course is continuation of Community Dental Health, with an opportunity for the student to perfect skills in communication and motivational techniques, principles of learning-teaching, and media preparation and presentation through didactic and extra-mural experiences. Letter Graded

DHBS 4406 Applied Oral Pathology (1 Credit)

1 credit hour (1 lec.) Cases of unknown oral pathology are presented, in which the student's objective is to obtain a complete history, formulate a differential diagnosis, and propose a rational approach for evaluation and treatment of the patient. Letter Graded

DHBS 4407 Current Applications in Dental Hygiene (2 Credits)

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DHBS 4408 Practice Management (2 Credits)

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DHCT 3311 Special Needs Patients (2 Credits)

2.0 credit hours This course is designed to provide the student with information on interventions and patient management strategies for patients who are medically compromised or have unusual health factors. The course will emphasize the assessment, identification of the needs and oral manifestations of certain acute and chronic diseases/conditions, planning individualized dental hygiene treatment and implementation of modifications to clinical techniques and patient counseling. The student will have the opportunity to discuss ethical concerns for treatment options for medically complex patients. Letter Graded

DHCT 3401 Clinical Practice IV (4 Credits)

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2 credit hours (2 lec.) This class is primarily discussion of employment techniques, office and staff communication, and practice management. The student will have an opportunity to make a professional presentation of dental-related techniques and procedures. Letter Graded

Dental Hygiene Distance Course (DHDC)

Course descriptions in school catalogs and the Course Search (<https://catalog.uth.edu/course-search/>) are correct at the time of publication. See myUTH (<https://uthidp.uth.edu/nidp/saml2/sso/?id=Campus-Affiliate-LOA2-DUO&sid=0&option=credential&sid=0>) for more recent course information and to register for courses.

DHDC 4501 Introduction to Health Care Teaching (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This introduction to teaching course examines the theory and practice pertaining to important aspects of learning and teaching. Also included are instructional strategies, methodologies and assessment of student learning. Letter Graded

DHDC 4502 Ethics and Leadership (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This course will focus on issues faced by the healthcare professional including ethical and legal issues related to the practice and scope of dental hygiene. Topics include, but are not limited to, ethics and professionalism, ethical principles and values, models for ethical decision making, ethics and cultural differences, and ethical dilemmas. Students will work independently and in teams to apply the material to real life situations utilizing case study format and personal life experiences. Letter Graded

DHDC 4503 Professional Communications (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This course will address current trends and issues affecting the dental/dental hygiene profession. In-depth discussions will explore the profession with critical analysis in the areas of dental hygiene education, research, and clinical practice. Student will work in teams to engage and facilitate on-line discussions. The final course project will focus on one or more of these issues. Letter Graded

DHDC 4505 Seminar in Education I (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This course will cover pertinent topics in dental/allied dental education. The course will examine issues related to teaching and learning the academic setting. Topics will also include developing a teaching philosophy; formulating a curriculum vitae and teaching portfolio. Letter Graded

DHDC 4506 Clinical Laboratory Teaching (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This course will provide students with the knowledge and skills to become competent clinical instructors. Psychomotor skills development and analysis as well as remediation of performance problems; provision of feedback; identification of cognitive, psychomotor, and affective behaviors are topics related to clinical teaching. Faculty calibration and clinical evaluation are also included. Letter Graded

DHDC 4507 Clinical Laboratory Teaching Practicum (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (On Campus) This course is designed to give students an opportunity to teach with a faculty member in a clinical course taught to dental, dental hygiene, or dental assisting students. Students will participate in course planning, weekly teaching of the didactic, laboratory, and/or clinical content. This course requires formal agreement with a participating dental hygiene program prior to the beginning of the second year of the program. Letter Graded

DHDC 4508 Seminar in Education II (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This course will provide the student with advanced knowledge of current concepts and factor involved in the occurrence and treatment of oral disease. These issues will be studied through lectures, case presentations and the literature. Letter Graded

DHDC 4509 Education Practicum (4 Credits)

4 credit hours (On Campus) This course is a one semester, planned and supervised professional teaching internship, designed to allow the student to apply knowledge and skills acquired in previous didactic courses. This practicum experience will focus on didactic, clinical, or laboratory instruction integrating leadership, professionalism, ethics, educational theories, and teaching strategies, with an emphasis on assessment and evaluation. This course requires a formal agreement with a participating dental hygiene program prior to the beginning of the second year of the program. Letter Graded

DHDC 4510 Capstone (3 Credits)

3 credit hours (Online) This capstone course incorporates the major learning themes of the dental hygiene online degree curriculum resulting in a student-generated scholarly project/essay. It will be offered both Spring and Summer semester to accommodate students' as necessary. Letter Graded

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