Program Description

Dentistry is a rewarding, "personal touch" profession which naturally encourages one-to-one patient relationships. This career leads to a lifestyle that is diversified in its professional activities, creative in its opportunity for flexibility of hours, and provides a challenging, independent, and satisfying work environment.

We invite you to view the information on the American Dental Education Association's Go Dental Page for more information about a career in Dentistry.

Program Length

262 units, 4 years

Possible Careers

Doctor of Dental Surgery or Dentist within private practice offices, industrial organizations, hospitals, local, state or federal public health services, and the armed forces

Application Deadlines

There are currently no published application deadlines.

Admissions Requirements

- GPA of 3.2 or higher in science courses
- Baccalaureate Degree preferred
- DAT scores of 19 or higher & taken by October
- Shadowing / Observing / Volunteering - a minimum of 50 hours in a dental setting is required, more is strongly recommended.
- Fluency in English is required

Prerequisites

Required Courses

1. General Biology w/ lab – 1 year
2. General Chemistry w/lab – 1 year
3. Organic Chemistry w/lab – 1 year
4. Biochemistry - 1 semester or 2 quarters
5. General Physics w/lab – 1 year
6. English Composition – 1 year

Science courses must be completed within 5 years of beginning dental school.
Courses must be a C or higher to meet LLUSD requirements.
Recommended Courses

- Accounting
- Anatomy – Human
- Cellular & Molec Biology
- Ceramics
- Communication
- Genetics
- Histology
- Immunology
- Management
- Microbiology
- Neuroscience
- Psychology
- Religion
- Sculpture
- Statistics
- Systems Physiology

Expected Cost of Attendance

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Notes
Expected costs for the academic year are based on full time attendance. From year to year, increases are anticipated consistent with inflation in the professional education sector.

Estimated Living Expenses

Academic Year, off campus, with a roommate

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Notes

- Amounts are what a student can apply to borrow for the number of months shown in each academic year based on living off campus with a roommate and not with a relative.
- International students need to calculate 12 months of living expenses based on the numbers listed here.
- In general, to qualify for financial aid a student must be enrolled at least half time taking degree requirements. Half time is 6 units in a quarter for undergraduate programs and 4 units in a quarter for graduate programs.