

Dentistry DMD

KORNBERG SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Learn more about the Doctor of Dental Medicine.

About the Program

The Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry at Temple University offers a four-year pre-doctoral program leading to the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) degree.

Time Limit for Degree Completion: 4 years

Campus Location: Health Sciences Center

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: Full-time study is required.

Job Prospects: Graduates of the program are employed in a variety of diverse general dentistry settings.

Licensure/Certification: In order to become a practicing dentist, students must first obtain licensure. This process includes completing an educational program that is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Students also need to complete Parts I and II of the National Board Dental Examination (NBDE) administered by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations. For most U.S. jurisdictions, the last component is that students complete a clinical licensure examination.

Each State Board of Dentistry sets its own requirements for the clinical examination, with regional testing agencies administering the examination process. At present, all but the following jurisdictions accept successful completion of the American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX) dental examinations as administered by The Commission on Dental Competency Assessments (CDCA): Delaware and New York. Delaware has its own licensing exam, and New York requires students to complete a one-year clinical residency program.

Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry is CODA-accredited and prepares students for the written and clinical examinations. Kornberg students must complete Parts I and II of the NBDE before graduation. Successful completion of a clinical examination is not required for graduation, although Kornberg does host the ADEX examination in its school facilities.

Non-Matriculated Student Policy: Coursework may not be taken on a non-matriculated basis.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Application Deadline:

Fall: January 15

[APPLY ONLINE to this professional program.](#)

Applicants for the Dentistry DMD must utilize the Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS®), which is a centralized application service for all U.S. dental schools sponsored by the American Dental Education Association (ADEA). The ADEA AADSAS® application must be completed.

Additional information regarding the application process is found at the DMD's Admissions page. In brief, applicants must have:

- Completed a minimum of 90 semester hours at an accredited college or university.
- Completed at least one year of college and all dental prerequisite courses in the United States or Canada if the student was educated at an institution outside the United States or Canada.
- Completed a minimum of eight semester hours in each of the following subjects, all with laboratory experience: biology, general chemistry, organic chemistry and physics. It is also highly recommended that the student gained exposure to advanced science courses, particularly anatomy, biochemistry, histology and physiology.
- Completed six semester hours in English.
- Met the technical standards established for behavioral, cognitive, communication, motor and sensory/observation skills.

Letters of Reference:

Number Required: 2

From Whom: Letters of recommendation should be obtained from science professors or pre-health committee members.

Degree Required for Admission Consideration: Applicants should have completed a minimum of 90 semester hours from an accredited college or university. Students who have completed a baccalaureate degree are given preference in the admissions process.

Standardized Test Scores:

DAT: Required. Applications will not be reviewed without reported DAT scores. DAT scores more than two years old at the time of application will not be accepted. Proficiency in English must be demonstrated as determined through the interview, essays and Reading Comprehension score on the DAT.

Transcripts: Complete official transcripts for all undergraduate coursework must be submitted.

Interview: Applicants are invited to visit the Kornberg School of Dentistry for a formal interview. The visit involves meeting with current students in the program, touring the facility, reviewing financial aid and housing procedures, and engaging in an interview. The applicant is given an opportunity to learn more about Temple and to review the submitted application. The interview affords the Admissions Committee an opportunity to learn more about the applicant and to gauge motivation, approach to problems and communication skills.

Acceptance: Decisions are made starting December 1. Admission is rolling after that date. Upon acceptance, a non-refundable deposit is required to hold a seat in the class.

Program Requirements

General Program Requirements:

Number of Credits Required: 152

Required Courses:

| Year 1 | | |
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| Fall | | Credit Hours |
| DENT D100 | Biochemistry | 3 |
| DENT D102 | Anatomical Sciences | 4 |
| DENT D150 | Dental Materials I | 1 |
| DENT D162 | Restorative Dentistry I - Lecture | 2 |
| DENT D163 | Restorative Dentistry I - Lab | 2 |
| Credit Hours | | 12 |
| Spring | | |
| DENT D200 | Inflammation, Infection and Wound Healing | 3 |
| DENT D204 | The Nervous System and Pain | 3 |
| DENT D262 | Restorative Dentistry II Lecture | 2 |
| DENT D263 | Restorative Dentistry II Lab | 3 |
| DENT D239 | Dental Public Health I: Cariology, Evidence Based Dentistry and Principles of Prevention | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 12 |
| Summer | | |
| DENT D211 | Behavioral Science I | 1 |
| DENT D299 | Human Systems and Disease I | 4 |
| DENT D259 | Dental Public Health II: Health Promotion in Populations | 1 |
| DENT D264 | Restorative Dentistry III Lecture | 1 |
| DENT D265 | Restorative Dentistry III Lab | 1 |
| DENT D220 | The Practice and Profession of Dentistry | 1 |
| DENT D273 | Introduction to Periodontology | 2 |
| Credit Hours | | 11 |
| Year 2 | | |
| Fall | | |
| DENT D300 | Human Systems and Disease I | 4 |
| DENT D310 | | 1 |
| DENT D360 | Restorative Dentistry III Lecture | 3 |
| DENT D361 | Restorative Dentistry III Lab | 3 |
| DENT D366 | | 2 |
| DENT D367 | | 1 |

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| DENT D365 | | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 15 |
| Spring | | |
| DENT D408 | Oral Pathology I | 3 |
| DENT D442 | Pre-Clinical Radiography | 1 |
| DENT D443 | | 1 |
| DENT D456 | Restorative Dentistry IV Lecture | 2 |
| DENT D457 | Restorative Dentistry IV Lab | 3 |
| DENT D473 | Principles of Periodontology II | 2 |
| DENT D474 | | 1 |
| DENT D478 | Local Anesthesia and Pain Control | 2 |
| DENT D405 | | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 16 |
| Summer | | |
| DENT D403 | Advanced Restorative Dentistry Lecture and Lab | 1 |
| DENT D404 | | 1 |
| DENT D410 | | 1 |
| DENT D411 | | 1 |
| DENT D418 | | 1 |
| DENT D420 | Intro Clinical Dentistry | 1 |
| DENT D421 | Treatment Planning | 2 |
| DENT D422 | Medical Emergencies | 1 |
| DENT D452 | Endodontology Lecture | 2 |
| DENT D453 | Endodontology Laboratory | 2 |
| DENT D491 | Clinical Caries Management Throughout Life: A Pragmatic Course | 1 |
| DENT D599 | Jr. Summer Clinic II | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 15 |
| Year 3 | | |
| Fall | | |
| DENT D506 | Oral Pathology II | 3 |
| DENT D552 | Endodontology | 1 |
| DENT D553 | Restorative Dentistry V | 2 |
| DENT D567 | Oral Radiology | 1 |
| DENT D573 | Periodontal Therapy and Treatment Planning | 1 |
| DENT D591 | Jr. Practice of Dentistry | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 9 |
| Spring | | |
| DENT D600 | Senior Summer Clinic | 1 |
| DENT D608 | Radiology | 1 |
| DENT D610 | Adv Interdis Implant | 1 |
| DENT D620 | | 1 |
| DENT D637 | Practice Management I | 1 |
| DENT D662 | Restorative Dentistry VI | 1 |
| DENT D666 | Pediatric Dentistry | 1 |
| DENT D668 | Oral Surgery | 1 |
| DENT D671 | Ortho Consideration in General Dental Practice | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 9 |
| Summer | | |
| DENT D601 | | 1 |
| DENT D611 | Practice Management II | 1 |
| DENT D644 | Dentistry for Patients with Special Needs | 1 |
| DENT D660 | Behavioral Science II | 1 |

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| DENT D674 | Admissions Clinic I | 1 |
| DENT D675 | Emergency/Oral Surg. Cl. | 2 |
| DENT D676 | Radiology Clinic I | 1 |
| DENT D691 | Orthodontics-Clinic | 1 |
| DENT D692 | Endodontology-Clinic | 2 |
| DENT D693 | Periodontology Clinic | 3 |
| DENT D696 | Pediatric Dent-Clinic | 2 |
| DENT D697 | Restor Dent Clinic Jr | 5 |
| DENT D700 | Summer Clinic II | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 22 |
| Year 4 | | |
| Fall | | |
| DENT D790 | Sr. Pract of Dentistry | 9 |
| Credit Hours | | 9 |
| Spring | | |
| DENT D800 | | 1 |
| DENT D801 | Science in Dental Practice II | 1 |
| DENT D808 | Comprehensive Care | 1 |
| DENT D809 | Practice Management III | 1 |
| DENT D810 | DPH III: Community Health Engagement | 1 |
| DENT D874 | Admissions Clinic II | 1 |
| DENT D875 | Emergency/Oral Surg. Cl. | 2 |
| DENT D891 | Orthodontics-Clinic | 1 |
| DENT D876 | Radiology Clinic II | 1 |
| DENT D892 | Endodontology-Clinic | 2 |
| DENT D893 | Periodontology-Clinic | 3 |
| DENT D896 | Pediatric Dent-Clinic | 2 |
| DENT D897 | Restor Dent Clinic Sr | 5 |
| Credit Hours | | 22 |
| Total Credit Hours | | 152 |

Contacts

Program Web Address:

<https://www.temple.edu/academics/degree-programs/dentistry-dmd-dn-dent-dmd>

Submission Address for AADSAS Application Materials:

<https://aadsas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/>

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