

# Dentistry Certificate: Periodontics

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KORNBERG SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Learn more about the certificate in Periodontics.

## About the Certificate

The postgraduate certificate in Periodontology provides qualified dentists with specialized clinical training and research-focused education in periodontology and oral implantology, with a particular emphasis on surgical oral implantology. Students earn a certificate in Periodontics and a simultaneous Master of Science in Oral Health Sciences.

The rigorous 36-month, full-time postgraduate program prepares students for practice, teaching and research in periodontology and oral implantology. Students receive advanced education related to the attachment apparatus of the dentition, as well as the diseases and conditions that affect teeth. Students also study the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases.

**Time Limit for Certificate Completion:** 36 months

**Campus Location:** Health Sciences Center

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

**Job Prospects:** Students who graduate with the Periodontology certificate program are well prepared to pursue a specialized career in periodontics, whether in academics, administration, clinical and private practice, or research. Graduates have expertise in periodontics and oral biology, as well as the experience and compassion necessary for a patient-centered practice.

**Non-Matriculated Student Policy:** Non-matriculated students may enroll in some courses with permission from the course instructor and approval from the Kornberg School of Dentistry's Office of Graduate Education.

**Financing Opportunities:** Limited financial support is available for dental residents.

## Admission Requirements and Deadlines

### Application Deadline:

*Summer:* September 15 to start the following year

[APPLY ONLINE to this professional certificate program through ADEA PASS®.](#)

Also APPLY ONLINE to the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program.

Applicants for the Periodontics certificate program can utilize the Postdoctoral Application Support Service (PASS), which is a centralized application service sponsored by the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) for individuals applying to advanced dental education programs. The ADEA PASS® application must be completed.

All Periodontics applicants must submit their application materials to PASS by September 15 to allow PASS sufficient time to process their materials and submit them to Temple by our October 1 deadline. Please check with PASS to ensure that your information has been received as they will only forward completed records to Temple University for assessment.

All Periodontics applicants are also required to apply to the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program through National Matching Services Inc.

Four individuals are selected each year for full-time matriculation into the Periodontics certificate program. Preference is given to academically accomplished candidates who have one or more years of clinical practice experience or have completed a General Practice Residency (GPR) or an Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) program. Preference is also given to applicants with prior research experience/training, scientific publications and/or prior advanced degrees in basic science/biomedical fields.

### Letters of Reference:

*Number Required:* 3

*From Whom:* Letters of recommendation should be obtained from dental school faculty. At least two of the letters must be written by faculty who can evaluate the applicant's clinical skills. These must be on appropriate letterhead and sent directly from the dental school faculty to the Program Director at the Kornberg School of Dentistry's Office of Graduate Education.

**Degree Required for Admission Consideration:** Applicants must hold the DDS or DMD degree from a U.S. or Canadian dental school accredited according to the standards of the American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

International applicants must verify that their training is equivalent to a CODA-accredited institution by using one of these foreign academic credentialing services: World Education Services or Education Credential Evaluators.

**Standardized Test Scores:**

NBDE: Required. All applicants must have passed the National Board Dental Examination (NBDE) Part I and Part II. If the applicant is currently a senior dental student, results from Part II may be forwarded directly to Kornberg School of Dentistry once received.

TOEFL iBT: 100 minimum required.

**Transcripts and Credential Evaluation:** Official transcripts from all colleges, universities and dental schools attended must be submitted. Transcripts should include GPA and class rank. Submit transcripts through the ADEA PASS® application.

Note that PASS does not accept undergraduate college transcripts. Applicants must send official transcripts for their undergraduate study directly to Kornberg School of Dentistry at [https://apply.temple.edu/DENTAL\\_CERT/](https://apply.temple.edu/DENTAL_CERT/) as part of the required Temple University application identified below.

**Resume:** Current resume required. Submit resume through the ADEA PASS® application.

**Writing Sample:** An essay must be submitted.

**Supplemental Document:** When applying to the Periodontics certificate program, a separate Temple University application and application fee of \$50 are required. SUBMIT ONLINE the Temple application and fee.

**Acceptance:** Applicants who are accepted into the Periodontics certificate program are rank-ordered, and their names are submitted to National Matching Services Inc. Notification of their match with a program occurs on the date chosen by National Matching Services Inc.

## Certificate Requirements

*Number of Credits Required: 124*

*Required Courses:*

Code	Title	Credit Hours
OHSC 8011	Molecular Oral and Craniofacial Biology	1
OHSC 8012	Advanced Dental Pharmacology and Therapeutics	1
OHSC 8013	Introduction to Evidence-Based Dentistry	1
OHSC 8014	Clinical Anatomy of the Head and Neck	1
OHSC 8015	Research Methodology and Study Design	1
OHSC 8016	Cases in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	1
OHSC 8017	Oral Microbiology and Immunology	1
OHSC 8018	Biostatistics	1
OHSC 8019	Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology	1
OHSC 8033	Bioethics and Critical Thinking in Dentistry	1
OHSC 9991	Research in Oral Health Sciences <sup>1</sup>	4
OHSC 9993	Master's Research Qualifying Examination	1
OHSC 9996	Master's Thesis in Oral Health Sciences	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	12
PERG 8301	Introduction to Postgraduate Periodontology	2
PERG 8302	Biology and Pathology of the Periodontium	2
PERG 8306	Introduction to Oral Implantology	1
PERG 8309	Clinical Oral Implantology <sup>1</sup>	6
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	12
PERG 8311	Advanced Oral Implantology	1
PERG 8313	Conscious Sedation <sup>1</sup>	4
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	6
PERG 8340	Oral Implantology Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	4
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	12
PERG 9385	Clinical Periodontal Practice <sup>1</sup>	36

PERG 9387	Practice Teaching Periodontology <sup>1</sup>	10
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>124</b>

<sup>1</sup> Course is repeatable for additional credit.

## Proposed Plan of Study Outlined by Year and Term

<b>Year 1</b>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
OHSC 8013	Introduction to Evidence-Based Dentistry	1
OHSC 8015	Research Methodology and Study Design	1
OHSC 8017	Oral Microbiology and Immunology	1
OHSC 8018	Biostatistics	1
OHSC 8019	Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8301	Introduction to Postgraduate Periodontology	2
PERG 8302	Biology and Pathology of the Periodontium	2
PERG 8306	Introduction to Oral Implantology	1
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8313	Conscious Sedation <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 9385	Clinical Periodontal Practice <sup>1</sup>	8
PERG 9387	Practice Teaching Periodontology <sup>1</sup>	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>29</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
OHSC 8011	Molecular Oral and Craniofacial Biology	1
OHSC 8012	Advanced Dental Pharmacology and Therapeutics	1
OHSC 8014	Clinical Anatomy of the Head and Neck	1
OHSC 8016	Cases in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	1
OHSC 8033	Bioethics and Critical Thinking in Dentistry	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8311	Advanced Oral Implantology	1
PERG 8313	Conscious Sedation <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 9385	Clinical Periodontal Practice <sup>1</sup>	10
PERG 9387	Practice Teaching Periodontology <sup>1</sup>	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>27</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
OHSC 9991	Research in Oral Health Sciences <sup>1</sup>	2
OHSC 9993	Master's Research Qualifying Examination	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8309	Clinical Oral Implantology <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8340	Oral Implantology Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 9385	Clinical Periodontal Practice <sup>1</sup>	8
PERG 9387	Practice Teaching Periodontology <sup>1</sup>	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>24</b>

<b>Spring</b>		
OHSC 9991	Research in Oral Health Sciences <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8309	Clinical Oral Implantology <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8340	Oral Implantology Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 9385	Clinical Periodontal Practice <sup>1</sup>	10
PERG 9387	Practice Teaching Periodontology <sup>1</sup>	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>24</b>
<b>Year 3</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
OHSC 9991	Research in Oral Health Sciences <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8309	Clinical Oral Implantology <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
OHSC 9996	Master's Thesis in Oral Health Sciences	1
PERG 8300	Periodontal Case Presentations <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8310	Classic Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 8320	Current Periodontal Literature Review <sup>1</sup>	1
PERG 8350	Interdisciplinary Comprehensive Dental Treatment Planning Grand Rounds <sup>1</sup>	2
PERG 9387	Practice Teaching Periodontology <sup>1</sup>	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>124</b>

<sup>1</sup> Course is repeatable for additional credit.

## Contacts

### Certificate Program Web Address:

<https://www.temple.edu/academics/degree-programs/periodontics-certificate-graduate-dn-perg-dent>

### Department Information:

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### Submission Address for PASS Application Materials:

[https://www.adea.org/dental\\_education\\_pathways/PASS/applicants/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.adea.org/dental_education_pathways/PASS/applicants/Pages/default.aspx)

### Postdoctoral Application Support Service (PASS) Contacts:

passinfo@passweb.org  
 617-612-2065

**Submission Address for Temple University Application Materials:**

[https://apply.temple.edu/DENTAL\\_CERT/](https://apply.temple.edu/DENTAL_CERT/)

**Submission Address for Application to the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program:**

<https://natmatch.com/dentres/>

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