Eligibility Requirements

UT Health Science Center at San Antonio’s School of Dentistry Dual Degree Program with cooperating undergraduate schools allows students to apply credits earned during School of Dentistry to college requirements. This permits a student to earn both a Bachelor degree and a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree.

This program is intended for students straight out of high school with academic excellence and a demonstrated interest in Dentistry as a career.

The student can apply after 12 hours of college hours, but no more than 30 hours. Applicants will be considered based on academic achievement, standardized test scores, community activities, socioeconomic history, awards, honors, knowledge of the profession and letters of recommendations.

Students must attend all 3 years at the college or university that is cooperating with the UT Health Science Center at San Antonio School of Dentistry’s Dual Degree / Early Acceptance Program (3+4) Program, which is listed on the back. The deadline to submit an application is March 31st. Interviews will be conducted in April and May.

The faculty of the School of Dentistry interviews the student to ensure that the student’s motivation for dental studies and his/her character and personality traits indicate potential for success in dentistry. Acceptance to the program makes the student eligible for admission to the School of Dentistry upon the successful completion of undergraduate requirements.

During the three-year undergraduate portion of the 3+4 Program, students will...

- Complete a special three-year curriculum designed by the undergraduate institution.
- Take the Dental Admission Test (DAT) by November 1.
- Submit a formal application to the University of Texas Application Center before October 1 of the third year.
- Letters of Recommendation from the Pre-Dental Advisory Committee.

The student is ready to enroll in School of Dentistry when he/she has...

- Completed pre-dental requirements and the undergraduate institution’s special three-year curriculum.
- Earned a grade of “C” or better in prerequisite courses and maintained a cumulative GPA and Science GPA of 3.4 in undergraduate work.
- Scored at least an 19 on the Academic Average of the DAT.

As the student completes required courses in School of Dentistry, credit for designated courses will be applied to undergraduate degree requirements as well. Generally, the undergraduate institution awards the Bachelor degree when the student has completed the first or second year of dental studies.

The Doctor of Dental Surgery degree is awarded upon successful completion of the four-year dental curriculum.

For additional information about this program, contact the UT Health Science Center at San Antonio’s School of Dentistry at the address below or the 3+4 advisor at the undergraduate school which you are interested in attending listed on the back.

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