

Dental Early Acceptance Program (DEAP)

3 + 4

3 Years of College
(Not 4)

4 Years
Dental School

**Bachelor Degree
&
Doctor of Dental
Surgery Degree**

Eligibility Requirements

The UT Health San Antonio School of Dentistry Dental Early Acceptance Program (3+4), with cooperating undergraduate schools, allows students to apply credits earned at the School of Dentistry to undergraduate requirements. A student may earn both a Bachelor's degree and a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree. This program is intended for students who have graduated high school, exemplifying academic excellence and interest in dentistry as a career. The program focuses primarily on students who would have difficulty financing a fourth year of college at the undergraduate level and four years of professional education. Those who successfully complete the program can reduce their education debt by eliminating one year of undergraduate college tuition and living expenses. Students can apply after completing 12 hours of college, 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 a letter of recommendation from the pre-health advisor.

Students must attend all 3 years at the college or university that is cooperating with the UT Health San Antonio School of Dentistry DEAP (schools are listed on page 2). The deadline to submit an application is March 1st. Interviews will be conducted in March and April, during their first year of college. Invited students will interview with the Director of Admissions and a member of the Admissions Selection Subcommittee at the UT Health San Antonio School of Dentistry. This interview will assess the student's motivation for the dental profession, knowledge of the profession, maturity, and communication skills. Acceptance to the program makes the student eligible for admission to the School of Dentistry upon successfully completing 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 of the third year.
- Submit a formal application to the Texas Medical & Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS) before October 1 of the third year.
- Request a letter of recommendation from the Pre-Dental Advisor.

You're ready to enroll in Dental School when you have...

- Completed pre-dental requirements and the undergraduate institution's special three-year curriculum.
- Earned a grade of "C" or better in prerequisite courses and obtained a cumulative GPA and Science GPA of **3.4** in undergraduate work.
- Scored at least a **19** on the academic average of the DAT.

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

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

For additional information about this program, contact the UT Health San Antonio School of Dentistry at the email address listed below or the DEAP advisor at the undergraduate school you are interested in attending (see page 2).

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Applicants must be U.S. citizens or Permanent Residents and Texas Residents.

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