The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (http://dentistry.tamhsc.edu/oral-surgery) (OMFS) provides a broad educational basis for our predoctoral and residency programs, as well as serving the community through our Professional Services Division.

The interaction with a renowned medical center enhances our students’ surgical and medical experiences. Our students’ educational experiences are also enhanced by the presence of the Center for Maxillofacial Prosthodontics (http://dentistry.tamhsc.edu/oral-surgery/cmp) within the OMFS Department.

The OMFS Department is staffed by seven full-time faculty, twelve part-time clinical faculty, sixteen OMFS students, and supported by the assistance of twenty-two clinical and clerical staff.

The Postgraduate (Residency) division conducts one of the most highly prized and sought after OMFS Residency programs in the country, attracting the brightest and most-talented applicants each year from the graduating dental school classes and even from some medical professions.

There are two levels of training currently offered: 1) a 6-year combined MD/Certificate program in conjunction with Texas Tech University School of Medicine; and 2) a 4-year Certificate-only program.

All applicants must be currently enrolled in an American Dental Association (ADA)-accredited US or Canadian dental school, or hold a DDS or DMD degree from an ADA-accredited US or Canadian dental school. Dentists with degrees from foreign countries are not eligible for the combined 6-year MD/OMFS Certification Program. Applicants with dental degrees from foreign dental schools are eligible for the 4-year Certificate program on a case-by-case basis.

Due to the highly competitive nature of the College of Dentistry OMFS application process, all applicants should ideally be in the top 15% of their dental school class, have a high GPA, and have letters that attest to demonstrated interest and potential in the field of oral and maxillofacial surgery.

Interviews are by invitation. If invited, all applicants are expected to interview in person to be considered for program admission. All interviews are held on one day, usually in early December, and substantial notice is given of the date. Interviewees should plan on arriving the night prior to the interview because they begin very early in the morning. Interviews often run through late afternoon, depending on how many applicants have accepted our invitation to interview.

Applications are submitted via the Postdoctoral Application Support Service (http://www.adea.org/PASSapp) (PASS) and the deadline is October 1 of each year for a start the following summer.

Faculty

Bell, Colin S, Adjunct Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
CERT, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1984
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1979

Bender, Steven D, Clinical Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1986

Craig, Mark A, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
MD, Texas A&M Baylor College of Dentistry, 1993
DDS, Texas A&M Baylor College of Dentistry, 1990

Ellis, Michael L, Clinical Associate Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1985

Gonzalez Carranza, Marianela, Clinical Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
MS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1998
DDS, Universidad Central de Venezuela, 1991

Gonzalez, Jorge A, Clinical Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
CERT, Texas A&M University, 2005
DDS, University of Costa Rica, 1997

Grogan, David M, Clinical Associate Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
MS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1986
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1981

Henderson, Bryan N, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1987

Kindrick, Roy D, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
MS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1970
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1967

Nelson, Garrett S, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
CERT, Texas Tech University, 2005
DDS, University Of California at Los Angeles, 1999

Pavelka, Miro A, Adjunct Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
CERT, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1981
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1977

Phillips, David M, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
CERT, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, 1981
DDS, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, 1977

Reddy, Likith V, Clinical Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
MD, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, 2000
DDS, Case Western Reserve University, 1995

Stewart, Larry R, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
MS, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, 1982
DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry, 1979

Taylor, Thad, Adjunct Assistant Professor
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
DDS, Howard University, 1994
Certificates

- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Certificate

Courses

OMFS 610 Conscious Sedation
Credit 1. 1 Other Hour.
Pain and anxiety control methodologies; pharmacology of sedative-hypnotic, anxiolytic drugs and nitrous oxide; routes of administration.

OMFS 615 Physical Diagnosis
Credit 1. 1 Other Hour.
Patient evaluation and examination, history-taking medical consultation and physical diagnosis and treatment modification in dental patients.

OMFS 620 Internal Medicine
Credits 1 to 2. 1 to 2 Other Hours.
Oral manifestations of systemic disease and influence of systemic disease requiring modification of treatment planning and critical care.

OMFS 650 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Rotations
Credit 1. 1 Other Hour.
Surgical rotations in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Can be repeated each academic term.

OMFS 689 Special Topics In...
Credits 0 to 4. 0 to 4 Other Hours.
Selected topics in an identified area of oral and maxillofacial surgery. May be repeated for credit.

OMFS 691 Research
Credits 0 to 10. 0 to 10 Other Hours.
Research for thesis or dissertation.