

DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY

Program Requirements

Professional Curriculum

The professional curriculum in dental surgery is a four-year program.

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 601	Biological Foundations of Dentistry	2
DDDS 602	Human Structure, Function and Disease I	8
DDDS 604	Human Defenses and Responses to Infectious Disease ¹	4
DDDS 605	Pathologic Basis of Disease	1
DDDS 611	Ethical Practice ¹	3
DDDS 612	Integrated Practice of Dentistry ¹	2.5
DDDS 614	Introduction to Restorative Dentistry I	5
Semester Credit Hours		25.5

Spring		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 603	Human Structure, Function and Disease II	9.5
DDDS 615	Introduction to Restorative Dentistry II	7
Semester Credit Hours		16.5

Second Year

Summer		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 702	Oral Pathology ²	2.5
DDDS 714	Comprehensive Dentistry Clinic ²	3
DDDS 716	Integrated Practice of Dentistry Didactic I ³	6
DDDS 717	Integrated Practice of Dentistry Lab I ³	7
DDDS 721	Preclinical Diagnostic Science ³	4
DDDS 731	Prevention and Management of Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office	1
DDDS 742	Local Anesthesia and Nitrous Oxide/ Conscious Sedations	1.5
Semester Credit Hours		25

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 701	Dental Pharmacology	1.5
DDDS 711	Ethical Practice ¹	1.5
DDDS 741	Basic Principles and Techniques of Exodontia and Dentoalveolar Surgery	1
DDDS 761	Growth and Development Orthodontics ¹	1.5
Semester Credit Hours		5.5

Spring		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 718	Integrated Practice of Dentistry Didactic II	4
DDDS 719	Integrated Practice of Dentistry Lab II	5
DDDS 771	Pediatric Dentistry	2.5
Semester Credit Hours		11.5

Third Year

Summer		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 814	Comprehensive Dentistry Clinic ²	19
DDDS 818	Integrated Practice of Dentistry I ³	7
Semester Credit Hours		26

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 802	Medical Pharmacology	1.5
DDDS 811	Ethical Practice ¹	2
DDDS 821	Clinical Principles of Patient Evaluation	2
DDDS 841	Advanced Principles and Techniques of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery ¹	1
DDDS 871	Pediatric Dentistry ¹	1.5
Semester Credit Hours		8

Spring		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 819	Integrated Practice of Dentistry II	4
DDDS 842	Temporomandibular Disorders and Sleep-Disordered Breathing	.5
DDDS 861	Orthodontics	1.5
DDDS 899	Dental Board Review	2
Semester Credit Hours		8

Fourth Year		Semester Credit Hours
Summer		
DDDS 914	Comprehensive Dentistry Clinic ²	30
DDDS 917	Dental Board Review ³	2
DDDS 921	Advanced Principles of Patient Evaluation and Management ³	1.5
Semester Credit Hours		33.5

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 902	Applied Pharmacology	0.5
DDDS 961	Orthodontics IV Interdisciplinary and Clinical Topics in Orthodontics	1
DDDS 971	Pediatric Dentistry	1
Semester Credit Hours		2.5

Spring		Semester Credit Hours
DDDS 911	Ethical Practice	2
Semester Credit Hours		2
Total Semester Credit Hours		164

¹ Continues into Spring.

² Continues into Fall and Spring.

³ Continues into Fall.

A candidate for the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Demonstrate evidence of satisfactory ethical and professional conduct.
2. Satisfactorily complete all of the prescribed courses of study.
3. Pass the Integrated National Board Dental Examination, INBDE®.