

DEPARTMENT OF ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (<https://dentistry.tamu.edu/departments/oral-surgery/>) (OMFS) provides a broad educational basis for our predoctoral and graduate 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. Their educational experiences are also enhanced by the presence of the Center for Maxillofacial Prosthodontics (<https://dentistry.tamu.edu/departments/oral-surgery/cmp/>), within OMFS.

OMFS, located within the College of Dentistry, in Dallas, Texas, is staffed by full-time faculty, part-time clinical faculty, OMFS students, and supported by the assistance of clinical, administrative, and clerical staff.

The postgraduate division conducts one of the most highly-prized and sought after OMFS specialty 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 available:

- 1) a 6-year combined MD/Certificate program in conjunction with Texas Tech University School of Medicine (located in Lubbock, Texas); and
- 2) a 4-year Certificate-only program (available to active U.S. military personnel only).

All applicants must be currently enrolled in an American Dental Association (ADA)-accredited U.S. or Canadian dental school, or hold a DDS or DMD degree from an ADA-accredited U.S. 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, provided they meet the active U.S. military requirement.

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 only. 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 were invited to interview.

The program uses the ADEA Postdoctoral Application Support Service (PASS (<https://www.adea.org/PASSapp/applicants/>)) and the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program (MATCH (https://www.adea.org/dental_education_pathways/pass/Applicants/Pages/DentalMatchRegistration.aspx)). The application deadline is October 1 of each year, for matriculation the following June.

Faculty

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Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
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MD, UT Southwestern Medical School, 2014
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MD, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, 2000
DDS, Case Western Reserve University, 1995

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MD, Alexandria University, 1998
BDS, Bachelor of Dental Surgery, 1997
PHD, Alexandria University, Egypt, 2004

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Certificates

- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Certificate