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This guide provides you with the information you need to apply for an undergraduate or postgraduate dentistry degree.

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Innovative learning
Our dental health programs are patient-centred, evidence-based, integrated with research and responsive to the changing needs of the ageing population. Our advanced simulation clinics provide you with a safe environment in which to develop manual dexterity skills and improve your confidence to perform dental procedures, ensuring a seamless transition from pre-clinical work to seeing your first patients.

Integrated teaching
Our teaching clinics are situated at the Westmead Centre for Oral Health (Western Sydney Local Heath District) and the Sydney Dental Hospital (Sydney Local Health District). We also partner with community clinics across New South Wales and beyond. This means you will learn from expert oral health professionals in both clinical and hospital settings and alongside a number of different healthcare professions, broadening your understanding of oral and overall systemic health.

Working in such a diverse environment, you will become a valuable member of an integrated healthcare team, with the skills to work collaboratively to achieve the best patient-centred outcomes.

Early clinical exposure
Our courses emphasise clinical exposure, beginning in your first year of study, allowing you to translate theory into practice as you progress in your studies.

Research excellence and training
At the University we are tripling our investment in research by 2020 to change the way we think about the world and how we live and work in it.

We are one of the world’s top research universities and a member of Australia’s prestigious Group of Eight network and the Association of Pacific Rim Universities. This association partners us with other universities that excel in research, including Stanford, UCLA, Shanghai Jiao Tong University and the University of Hong Kong.

You will have access to some of the world’s leading researchers, who are working collaboratively to address major health issues. With a focus on lifespan oral health, our innovative research is delivering advances in treatment, improving our understanding of the complex mechanisms that cause disease, promoting evidence-based teaching and driving improved health outcomes across Australia and around the world.

Find out more about our current research:
– sydney.edu.au/dentistry/research

AUSTRALIA’S FIRST DENTAL SCHOOL

As Australia’s first dental school, the Faculty of Dentistry has been educating dental practitioners for more than 100 years.
Rural and overseas opportunities
You will have the opportunity to undertake rural or regional rotations within your program, giving you broad insights into the oral health landscape across diverse communities.

With our extensive international connections, both across the Asia-Pacific region and in major research centres in North America and Europe, we encourage our students to participate in international exchange programs outside of their study program. Our students have recently travelled to Japan, London, Cambodia, Vanuatu, South Korea and the United States and have the opportunity to participate in exchanges in countries of their choice with support from the faculty.

Our community
We are dedicated to making a difference in communities with high needs and strongly encourage you to volunteer too. Our students are helping to provide dental treatment and oral health education to rural communities in conjunction with the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health; providing dental assistance to people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness through Sydney Homeless Connect; and teaching vital oral health skills to primary school children as part of the Sun Smiles program.

– sydney.edu.au/dentistry
Our unique and dynamic set of courses produces dental practitioners including oral health therapists, dentists, dental specialists and researchers of the highest calibre.

All of our programs are accredited by the Dental Board of Australia and our graduates are highly sought after.

We emphasise the use of new technologies in delivering our courses. Teaching and research are interdisciplinary, with research focused on two main areas: chronic disease management and healthy ageing. You will graduate with strong decision making skills and a research-informed approach to learning.

We introduce the clinical component of our courses early, and your practical experience starts in your first year. We offer clinical learning at a range of sites, including hospitals and community-based centres in metropolitan and rural areas.

We strongly encourage our students to undertake volunteer work, especially in communities with high needs – we can organise this locally as well as overseas.

Bachelor of Oral Health

The Bachelor of Oral Health (BOH) is a three-year undergraduate course offering training in dental hygiene, dental therapy and oral health promotion and leads to registration as an oral health therapist (see page 10).

Doctor of Dental Medicine

The Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) leads to registration as a dentist and gives you the opportunity to develop skills through practice-based learning and exposure to new dental technologies and research (see page 12).

There are two pathways to the DMD program:
- **Graduate entry**: for applicants who already hold a bachelor’s degree, the DMD is a four-year postgraduate course.
- **Undergraduate entry**: for high school leavers who have achieved exceptional results, the Double Degree Dental Medicine program combines the DMD with a Bachelor of Science.

The faculty also offers further study and specialist courses for qualified dentists.

Doctor of Clinical Dentistry

The Doctor of Clinical Dentistry is a three-year course offering advanced, specialised training in your choice of oral medicine, orthodontics, paediatric dentistry, periodontics, prosthodontics, special needs dentistry or oral surgery.
Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry

The Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry is a part-time course, taking 18 months to two years. It offers advanced specialised training in your choice of advanced restorative, conscious sedation and pain control, oral implants or surgical dentistry.

Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry

The Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry offers specialised training in advanced restorative dentistry.

Our research degrees

Embracing on a research degree at Sydney is an opportunity to work alongside some of the world’s brightest and most accomplished academics. We offer exceptional facilities – the latest innovative technology across the physical, medical, life and engineering sciences, the humanities and social sciences.

You can undertake postgraduate studies in oral health, or a Master of Philosophy or Doctor of Philosophy in dentistry.

We are investing in major new facilities to support collaboration and partnerships with researchers from diverse disciplines who are tackling society’s most challenging problems.

We have the drive to challenge traditional ways of thinking. You will have the support you need to contribute to research that makes a meaningful, real-world impact and changes lives.

Learn more about all of our programs, including entry requirements, at:

– sydney.edu.au/courses
Our study pathways

Undergraduate

Study a Bachelor of Oral Health (BOH) (3 years)

Study double degree dentistry: Bachelor of Science (Advanced) and Doctor of Dental Medicine (7 years)

Bachelor’s degree in any discipline

Postgraduate

Study a Doctor of Dental Medicine (4 years)

Study a Doctor of Clinical Dentistry

Undertake a Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry

Conduct research with the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Conduct research with the Master of Philosophy (MPhil)

Become a registered dental specialist

Develop your clinical skills

Become a Doctor of Philosophy

Become a Master of Philosophy

Continuing education

Become an oral health therapist

Continue your professional education, undertake a short course

Accrue CPD hours
The world is changing, and university education needs to change too.

We’ve reimagined the Sydney Undergraduate Experience – the way we teach and the way you’ll learn – to prepare you for a future full of possibilities.

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**Your degree**

**We offer unparalleled choice**
At Sydney you’ll have access to a breadth and depth of excellence in disciplines and professional fields that is unparalleled in Australia.

**Broaden your skills**
You can develop skills in entrepreneurial thinking, persuasive communication, project management and ethical reasoning by taking short, on-demand and workshop-supported courses in our Open Learning Environment.

**Follow your interests. All of them.**
We have created a new level of flexibility with a shared pool of majors and minors so you can expand your education with a second field of study.

For instance, you will be able to enjoy studying science without having to give up your interest in history; combine your major in marketing with the study of digital cultures; or learn both engineering and a language.
Your experience

**Academic rigour**
Gain a deep understanding of your chosen disciplines of study and learn from those who are leaders in their fields.

**Global perspectives**
Set yourself up to go anywhere in the world by gaining the skills and understanding to work effectively across cultural boundaries. Go on exchange, study a language or undertake projects in distinctive cultural settings here and overseas.

**Cross-disciplinary learning**
Study across or work with other disciplines to build your skills and tackle some of the most complex challenges of our time.

**Real-world projects**
Bridge the gap between theory and application by working on real-world industry, community, research and entrepreneurship projects.

Your future

You will leave university with the confidence and ability to think critically, collaborate productively, and influence the world.

[sydney.edu.au/ug-experience](http://sydney.edu.au/ug-experience)
Oral health therapists are at the forefront of dental disease prevention and the promotion of oral health. As an integral part of the dental team, they provide preventive dental services, examine and diagnose dental decay and periodontal disease, collaborate with dentists and specialists on more complex problems and work with community partners to educate and promote oral health.

The Bachelor of Oral Health is a full-time, five-day-a-week course taught over three years. You will gain the required knowledge, clinical skills and experience to deliver dental hygiene and therapeutic treatment services, and oral health education and promotion, to patients and communities throughout Australia and New Zealand.

**Graduate opportunities**

The Bachelor of Oral Health is fully accredited by the Australian Dental Council. Our graduates are eligible for registration with the Dental Board of Australia and are licensed with the Environmental Protection Authority to use diagnostic radiation.

Upon registration, you will be able to practise as a dental therapist, dental hygienist or oral health educator across the public and private sectors throughout Australia and New Zealand. You will be highly sought after, especially by public sector service providers and dentists in private practice who are increasingly looking for practitioners with dual qualifications in dental hygiene and dental therapy.

“Being an oral health therapist is very rewarding. Studying a dual qualification in hygiene and therapy means there is always something new and interesting to learn. The profession encourages not only good oral health but also overall wellbeing.

Renee Boreta
Bachelor of Oral Health

“The degree gives students a hands-on and interactive approach to learning. By third year you are working in hospitals. Though the course was quite challenging at times, the faculty and cohort provided me with great support. It was the skills I couldn’t learn from a textbook, such as perseverance, adaptability and patient rapport that I found the most valuable.”

Renee Boreta
Bachelor of Oral Health
“From the first week of the course, students spend time in the simulation clinic, becoming familiar with the anatomy of the oral cavity, the instruments and patient positioning. In second semester, they get the opportunity to look into one another’s mouths and, by the second year, students are treating patients in public dental health clinics.

“We teach students to search the literature for evidence to support their decisions before treating a patient. Teaching in this way is key to best practice and sets the foundation for lifelong learning.”

Dr Kimberly Mathieu Coulton
Academic Coordinator and Head of Program
Bachelor of Oral Health

Entry requirements

We will assess your application to our Bachelor of Oral Health according to your performance in the following areas:

- meeting the minimum Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) required for the course, or satisfactory record of previous tertiary study. If you do not have an ATAR or a previous tertiary qualification, and you are older than 21, you may be eligible to apply through the Mature Age Entry Scheme for domestic students

- satisfactory completion of Multiple Mini Interviews (MMI), a series of short interviews in which applicants move between interview stations.

- sydney.edu.au/dentistry/oral-health
Graduate entry pathway

Doctor of Dental Medicine

Our four-year, full-time, graduate-entry course offers you the opportunity to develop skills through practice-based learning and will expose you to new dental technologies and research. The DMD will educate you to draw on evidence to treat patients effectively and respond to the changing oral health needs of the community. It will instil a dedication for lifelong learning, self-development and self-evaluation.

Our program has evolved with changing market demands for newly graduated dentists to join clinical practice confidently and ethically and take up leadership roles in the profession. You will also be well prepared to conduct further research if you wish.

The Doctor of Dental Medicine will allow you to:
- understand how to make treatment decisions that are most appropriate for patients as individuals
- gain confidence in treating patients through simulation and practice-based experience
- develop leadership skills to enable contribution to the dental community
- crystallise professional values and ethics, social conscience and cultural awareness
- make informed decisions by critiquing research and evidence.

Entry requirements

Graduate entry pathway
Interested applicants need to start the application process at least 12 months in advance.

- a bachelor’s degree with a credit average or higher
- satisfactory performance in a medical admissions test (GAMSAT only for domestic applicants; GAMSAT, MCAT, CDAT, DAT for international applicants)
- satisfactory completion of the prerequisite unit of study: Human Biology
- satisfactory performance in an interview

- sydney.edu.au/dentistry/dmd
Undergraduate entry pathway

Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine

Our Double Degree Dentistry program gives you the opportunity to study science before undertaking dentistry.

Designed for high-school leavers who have achieved outstanding results, you will study a three-year undergraduate science degree, followed by the four-year Doctor of Dental Medicine. With a deep understanding of the scientific fundamentals that underpin dentistry, you will be ideally prepared for any career path you choose. This program is delivered by the faculties of Science and Dentistry.

Entry requirements

Undergraduate entry pathway

- ATAR (expected to be a minimum of 99.5 or equivalent)
- satisfactory performance in an assessment process comprising a written assessment and a faculty discussion session.

For entry to this course from 2019, students also need to achieve Band 4 in the NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC) Mathematics (not General Mathematics) or similar result in equivalent interstate or International Baccalaureate (IB) subjects.

How to apply

Undergraduate entry pathway

You will need to apply for the double degree dentistry course at the first opportunity after graduating from high school, regardless of when your results are available.

Domestic students need to apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). If you are an international applicant, please visit our website for details about how to apply.

- sydney.edu.au/dentistry/ddd
For students with exceptional academic ability who want to be challenged.

Exclusive to high-achieving students with an ATAR (or equivalent) of 98+, the Dalyell Scholars program is an opportunity to challenge yourself alongside your most promising and talented peers.

The program enables you to draw on the rich interdisciplinary depth and breadth on offer at the University, cultivating the leadership and professional expertise to join the ranks of our distinguished global alumni.

The Dalyell Scholars program allows you to collaborate and network with like-minded world influencers.

In addition to completing distinctive Dalyell units of study with other high achievers, you will have access to enrichment opportunities including:

- acceleration to master’s level study
- exclusive research and entrepreneurship programs
- direct access to industry-based project learning
- tailored mentoring and professional skills development to enhance your study and career opportunities
- international experiences to develop your global perspective, including a global mobility scholarship.

The Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine is available through the Dalyell Scholars Program.

sydney.edu.au/dalyell-scholars

“My favourite part of this degree is getting hands-on experience really early. By the end of our second year we’re already seeing our own patients and managing our own treatment plans.

“Because of the responsibility and control we are given during our studies, we leave university with the skills needed to be successful in the community.”

Bhavisha Thankey
Doctor of Dental Medicine
KEY DATES FOR ADMISSION

Bachelor of Oral Health

**Late September**
Applications need to be submitted to UAC for:
- domestic and international students completing Year 12 in Australia
- international students who are undertaking New Zealand National Certificate of Education Achievement Level 3.

**December**
Interviews take place.

**January**
Offers and enrolments.

**February**
Classes begin.

Doctor of Dental Medicine

**Domestic students**

**Late January/early February**
GAMSAT registrations close.

**Mid-March**
GAMSAT is held.

**Mid-May**
Online applications open.
GAMSAT results are released.

**Early to mid-June**
UAC Qualification Assessment applications close.
Online applications close.

**Late August – early September**
Interviews take place.

**International students**

**Mid-May**
Online applications open.

**Early to mid-June**
Applications close.

**Early August**
Interviews take place.

Postgraduate coursework

**September**
Applications open in early September for admission with the next intake of the program.

**March**
Applications close at midnight on 31 March.

**May**
Interviews and/or assessments take place. First-round offers are made.

**July**
Second-round offers are made.

To find out about other important University dates, please visit:
- sydney.edu.au/dates

Double degree Dentistry

For key dates for the Double Degree Dentistry program please visit our website:
- sydney.edu.au/dentistry/ddd
NSW Department of Health statutory requirements

All students of health and medical-related courses need to provide evidence to show they meet certain conditions. These include a criminal record check, prohibited employment declaration and current vaccinations.

For more information, please visit:
− sydney.edu.au/dentistry/study

Credit for previous studies

You may be eligible for credit if we assess your previous studies as being directly equivalent to our units of study. In some cases you may be granted a block of credit if it is in the same subject area. Some faculties or courses have existing credit arrangements for some qualifications.

How do I apply for credit?
You need to apply when completing your online course application. We will let you know in your offer letter if you have been successful.

For more information about course-specific requirements, visit your relevant faculty website. For more information, visit
− sydney.edu.au/study/credit

“Being based primarily at Sydney Dental Hospital has huge advantages. It’s a working dental hospital so we see real patients with real problems. This calls for students to provide the highest quality patient-centred care — a skill vital for practice.

“Dentistry is a career that requires life-long enquiry and I believe the course instils this in our students.”

Dr Susie Dracopoulos
Doctor of Dental Medicine Year Coordinator
FEES AND COSTS

Undergraduate

Domestic students
Domestic undergraduate students are eligible for a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP): you need to be a citizen of Australia or New Zealand or hold an Australian permanent resident visa or an Australian humanitarian visa.

As a CSP student, your tuition fees will be subsidised by the Australian Government. You will pay the remainder – called a ‘student contribution amount’. It is set by the University for your particular study. Exact student contribution amounts for your course will depend on your calendar year of study and the specific units of study in which you enrol. Costs can vary depending on the discipline of study (student contribution band) and study load of each unit.

Student contribution amounts are reviewed annually by the University and will increase each year of your period of study (subject to an Australian Government-specified cap), effective at the start of each calendar year. Eligible CSP students can obtain a full or part HECS-HELP loan for their student contribution, either paid upfront or repaid when your income exceeds a certain amount. For details, visit www.studyassist.gov.au

International students
The University calculates the tuition fees for single undergraduate degrees based on an annual course fee that is subject to an increase each year. Tuition fees vary between courses and the calendar year that you undertake study. Check the tuition fees for your specific course on sydney.edu.au/courses

These tuition fees are:
- quoted in Australian dollars and correct at time of publication
- indicative tuition fees for year 1, in the listed calendar year only
- set for each course based on 24 credit points per semester or 48 credit points per year (1.0 Equivalent Full-Time Student Load – 1.0 EFTSL). If your study load for the year is more or less than 1.0 EFTSL, your tuition fee will differ.

Combined undergraduate degree tuition fees
For international students, for combined degrees, a single course tuition fee applies to the entire period of your studies (and is subject to annual review), regardless of the units of study that you select in each of the two qualifications. The single course tuition fee is subject to annual review and will increase each year of your study.

Double degree tuition fees (undergraduate to postgraduate) – price differentiation
In a double degree, students usually commence in one degree then transfer to a second degree to complete the remainder of their studies. The University charges students two separate tuition fee rates for double degrees that comprise an undergraduate degree and a postgraduate degree, with a higher tuition fee rate applying to the postgraduate degree.

Annual review
Tuition fees are subject to annual review by the University and will increase each year, effective at the start of each calendar year.
Other costs
In addition to fees, you should budget for:

− additional course costs, such as course-specific materials and textbooks, tools, protective clothing, and equipment. For more information, visit your faculty’s website: sydney.edu.au/faculties
− the Student Services and Amenities (SSA) fee: sydney.edu.au/ssa-fee
− living expenses such as food and rent: sydney.edu.au/study/living-costs

These costs are specific to international students:

− your first semester fee as a deposit
− health insurance through the Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) scheme. This is an Australian Government requirement for student visa holders: sydney.edu.au/pg-int-health
− an Application Processing Fee (unless you are eligible for a waiver): sydney.edu.au/study/tuition-fees
− education expenses for students’ children: schools.nsw.edu.au/international

Method of payment
There are several ways you can pay the fees that apply to your study. A surcharge of 0.8 percent will apply for payments made by Visa or MasterCard. The surcharge is subject to review and may change. Information about payment methods and the surcharge is explained at:

− sydney.edu.au/study/paying-your-fees

Doctor of Dental Medicine and postgraduate

Domestic students
Most domestic students undertaking postgraduate coursework degrees at the University of Sydney study in a fee-paying place. However, domestic postgraduate students in the Doctor of Dental Medicine have the opportunity to compete for a limited number of Commonwealth supported places (CSPs).

The student contribution amounts and, where applicable, tuition fees on sydney.edu.au/courses are an estimate only of the fees payable in the advertised calendar year of study. The Doctor of Dental Medicine is only offered as a full-time program. Fees are based on a full-time student enrolment load of 48 credit points per year (1.0 EFTSL). If, under special circumstances, your study load for the year is more or less than 1.0 EFTSL your tuition fee or student contribution amount will differ.

Exact student contribution amounts for your course will depend on your calendar year of study and the specific units of study in which you enrol. Costs can vary depending on the discipline of study (student contribution band), and study load of each unit.

An international student who is granted Australian permanent residency (or New Zealand citizenship) after enrolling in the Doctor of Dental Medicine will be transferred to a domestic full fee paying place. If the student obtains Permanent Residency Status or advises the University after the census date, the student will be classified as an international student for the remainder of that semester. The student will be classified as a permanent resident from the following semester or term.
International students
The University calculates the tuition fees for postgraduate degrees (coursework and research) based on an annual course fee that is subject to an increase each year. Tuition fees vary between courses and the calendar year that you undertake study. The Doctor of Dental Medicine is only offered as a full-time program. Fees are based on a full-time student enrolment load of 48 credit points per year (1.0 EFTSL). If, under special circumstances, your study load for the year is more or less than 1.0 EFTSL your tuition fee will differ.

Annual review
Importantly, for students with Commonwealth-supported places, the student contribution amounts are reviewed annually by the University, and will increase each year of your period of study (subject to an Australian Government-specified cap), effective at the start of each calendar year. For more information, visit www.studyassist.gov.au

Tuition fees for domestic and international fee-paying postgraduate students are subject to an annual review by the University, and will increase each year of your period of study, effective at the start of each calendar year.

Other costs
In addition to fees, you should budget for:
- additional course costs. To find out more about ancillary costs for Dentistry programs, please visit sydney.edu.au/dentistry/study/important-information.php
- the Student Services and Amenities (SSA) fee
- living expenses such as food and rent: sydney.edu.au/study/living-costs

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Double degrees – price differentiation
For students enrolling in a double degree course, for example, a Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine, tuition fees and student contribution amounts for the postgraduate component of the degree will be higher than the undergraduate component of the degree. When you are calculating the likely total cost of your course please carefully factor in this price differentiation.

More information
For more information about course-related and other incidental costs, financial assistance, loans, upfront tuition fee payments (international students) and the availability of scholarships, please visit:
- sydney.edu.au/study/finances-fees-costs.html

If you have other specific questions about fees or need more information, please get in touch with us:
- sydney.edu.au/contact-us