Texas Dental Schools

Texas A&M University College of Dentistry
University of Texas Health Science Center—Houston
University of Texas Health Science Center—San Antonio
Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine at Texas Tech University
Health Sciences Center El Paso—Opening Fall 2021

Applying to Dental School

Application services include:

- Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service, www.tmdsas.com
- American Association of Dental Schools Application Services, www.adea.org

Additional Information:

- Applications are available at the beginning of May
- You will be required to submit a letter of recommendation from a general dentist
- Public Texas Dental Schools: 90% of entering class seats are reserved for Texas Residents

Preparing for the DAT?


Exam Preparation Materials:

ExamKrackers
Kaplan
Princeton Review

Get Involved!

- Alpha Epsilon Delta
- Pre-Health Minority Club
- Medically Dedicated Students
- UNT’s Volunteer Organizations
- UNT’s Pre-Dental Society
- American Dental Association
- Texas Dental Association
- American Dental Education Assoc.
- Global Medical Brigades
- Hearts for the Homeless
**Mapping the Pre-Dental Journey**

With the help of your advisor, use the prerequisite courses listed on the following page to create an individual plan for your pre-dental ambitions. Because circumstances can change and differ over time, this is an *unofficial* timeline and should be re-evaluated each semester.

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### Fall Timeline
- Attend "What Should I Be Doing Now?" Seminar
- Attend HPAC personal statement workshop in November
- DAT Preparation

### Spring Timeline
- Attend application seminar in February
- HPAC Application due in March
- DAT Prep/Take Exam (June or July)

### SUMMER: Apply to dental schools through TMDSAS or AADSAS. Interviews with dental schools are typically July through December.

### Fall Timeline
- Dental School Interviews
- December 1st—First day of Admissions Offer

### Spring Timeline
- Admission Offer Continue
# General Prerequisite Coursework for Texas Dental Schools

*A ‘C’ or better is required in all coursework. Completion of a degree is STRONGLY recommended.*

## Texas A&M University College of Dentistry

**Required courses:**
- ENGL 1310 (3hrs) College Writing I or TECM 1700 (3hrs) Intro to Technical Writing
- ENGL 1320 (3hrs) College Writing II or TECM 2700 (3hrs) Technical Writing
- CHEM 1410/1430 (4hrs) General Chemistry I
- CHEM 1420/1440 (4hrs) General Chemistry II
- CHEM 2370/3210 (4hrs) Organic Chemistry I
- CHEM 2380/3220 (4hrs) Organic Chemistry II
- BIOC 3621 (3hrs) Principles of Biochemistry*
- Alternatives: BIOC 4540 and BIOC 4550
- Physics I for Science Majors (4 hrs)**
- Physics II for Science Majors (4 hrs)**
- MATH 1680 (3hrs) Elementary Probability and Statistics
- 18 semester hours of Biology—(minimum) 15 hours of lecture and 3 hours of formal laboratory. Also, the Biology hours must include:
  - BIOL 2301/2311 (4hrs) Human Anatomy and Physiology I
  - BIOL 2302/2312 (4hrs) Human Anatomy and Physiology II
  - BIOL 2041/2042 (4hrs) Microbiology
- **Strongly encourages a major in the hard sciences**

## University of Texas Health Science Center—Houston

**Required courses:**
- ENGL 1310 (3hrs) College Writing I or TECM 1700 (3hrs) Intro to Technical Writing
- ENGL 1320 (3hrs) College Writing II or TECM 2700 (3hrs) Technical Writing
- CHEM 1410/1430 (4hrs) General Chemistry I
- CHEM 1420/1440 (4hrs) General Chemistry II
- CHEM 2370/3210 (4hrs) Organic Chemistry I
- CHEM 2380/3220 (4hrs) Organic Chemistry II
- BIOC 3621 (3hrs) Principles of Biochemistry*
- Alternatives: BIOC 4540 and BIOC 4550
- Physics I for Science Majors (4 hrs)**
- Physics II for Science Majors (4 hrs)**
- MATH 1680 (3hrs) Elementary Probability and Statistics
- 14 semester hours of Biology—(minimum) 12 hours of lecture and 2 hours of formal laboratory. Biology hours must include: BIOL 2041/2042 (Microbiology)

## University of Texas Health Science Center—San Antonio

**Required courses:**
- ENGL 1310 (3hrs) College Writing I or TECM 1700 (3hrs) Intro to Technical Writing
- ENGL 1320 (3hrs) College Writing II or TECM 2700 (3hrs) Technical Writing
- CHEM 1410/1430 (4hrs) General Chemistry I
- CHEM 1420/1440 (4hrs) General Chemistry II
- CHEM 2370/3210 (4hrs) Organic Chemistry I
- CHEM 2380/3220 (4hrs) Organic Chemistry II
- BIOC 3621 (3hrs) Principles of Biochemistry*
- Alternatives: BIOC 4540 and BIOC 4550
- Physics I for Science Majors (4 hrs)**
- Physics II for Science Majors (4 hrs)**
- MATH 1680 (3hrs) Elementary Probability and Statistics
- 14 semester hours of Biology—(minimum) 12 hours of lecture and 2 hours of formal laboratory

## Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso

Proposed to open Fall 2021

Course requirements to be listed in the future

- BIOC 4540 & 4550 is recommended to prepare for dental school curriculum

**Dental Schools require Physics Courses for science majors. Please see your major advisor for information on which physics are required for your degree.

***Anatomy & Physiology I & II is recommended to prepare for dental school curriculum (required by Texas A&M)

NOTE: Courses for non-science majors or for health career majors, such as nursing, pharmacy, allied health sciences, will NOT satisfy the required coursework. All required coursework must be applicable toward a traditional science degree.

*Program requirements may change without notice and vary with each school; you are still responsible for checking schools’ websites for admissions information. Please see your academic advisor to further explore the requirements of the school in which you are interested.*
Webpages and Resources

Texas Dental Schools

Texas A&M University College of Dentistry
http://bcd.tamhsc.edu/
University of Texas Health Science Center—Houston
https://dentistry.uth.edu/
University of Texas Health Science Center—San Antonio
https://www.uthscsa.edu/academics/dental

Student and Professional Associations

Alpha Epsilon Delta
https://unt.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/alphaepsilondelta
Alpha Delta: Pre-Health Minority Club
https://unt.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/alpha-delta-the-minority-pre-health-organization
Medically Dedicated Students
https://unt.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/medically-dedicated-students-organization
Global Medical Brigades
https://unt.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/global-medical-brigades
Hearts for the Homeless
https://unt.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/hearts-for-the-homeless-dallas
UNT’s Pre-Dental Society
https://unt.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/pre-dental-society
UNT’s Volunteer Organizations
http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/
Texas Dental Association
http://www tda.org/
American Dental Education Association
http://www.adea.org/

DAT Information and Preparation

About the DAT

Career Exploration and Additional Resources

Explore Health Careers.org
http://explorehealthcareers.org/en/home

American Dental Association
http://www.ada.org/en/

Health Professions Student Development Certificate

Prepare for Medical School, Earn an Undergraduate Certificate!

Requirements:
6 Courses
50 Shadowing Hours
100 Community Service Hours
3 Professional Development Events
1 Essay

For specific details, please visit
https://healthcareers.unt.edu/program/hp-student-dev-undergrad-cert

OR

Contact Todd Lang at Todd.Lang@unt.edu

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