

University of California San Francisco

School of Dentistry

We provide a unique balance of clinical excellence, research opportunities and community service as part of one of the leading health science centers in the nation. Since its founding in 1881, the School of Dentistry has evolved from the lone outpost of dental education west of the Mississippi into an international leader in the education of oral healthcare practitioners and scholars, comprehensive dental care and breakthrough research. The school has a tradition of service, strong clinical programs that prepare dentists for the future and research activities at the vanguard of contemporary science.

The curriculum emphasizes and reinforces the integration of basic sciences and clinical sciences in dental education. In the first two years, students experience strong scientific preparation augmented with introductory clinical activities and the fundamentals of dental therapies. During the third and fourth years, scientifically based patient-centered care develops clinicians who graduate as competent dentists and scientists. Service learning takes place on many frontiers, not only within the curriculum but also through community involvement and registered campus organizations' activities. Students are supported through a team of dedicated professionals in the Learner Success Center, faculty mentors and clinical coaches as well as peers.

Class of 2025

Class Size	60 (60% Women • 40% Men)
Residency	CA Resident: 63.3% Out of State: 33.3% International: 3.3%
Cumulative GPA	2.81–4.0 (Average: 3.65)
Science GPA	2.48–4.0 (Average: 3.60)
DAT Scores	Acad Average: 17–28 (avg. 22.8) Total Science: 17–30 (avg. 22.8)
Ethnicity	Asian: 43.3% Hispanic: 15% Black: 13.3% White: 15% Filipino: 10% Did not report: 0% Non-Resident Alien: 3.3%

Quick Facts

Total DDS Enrollment	329
First Year Est. Costs (2021-22)	CA Resident Tuition: \$53,061 Out-of-State Tuition: \$65,306 Books and Supplies: \$942 Dental Kit: \$13,920 Cost of Living: \$26,550 Total CA Resident: \$94,893 Total Out of State: \$107,138

Approximately 86.5% of all dental students received financial aid in 2020-21. For more information visit finaid.ucsf.edu.





Application Deadline: October 31
Early application strongly recommended

The School of Dentistry has removed minimum GPA and DAT score admissions requirements.

We employ a holistic review in selecting the incoming class, and thoroughly evaluate a candidate's academic preparedness, community engagement, and fit for the institution and profession of dentistry.

Dental Admissions Test (DAT) is required. Learn more at ada.org.

Applicants must apply through ADEA AADSAS at adea.org/godental/apply.

Student Housing: A variety of housing options exist for students and their families. Learn more at campuslifeservices.ucsf.edu/housing.

Prerequisite Coursework

Completion of 139 quarter/93 semester units is required (see table to right). All required units must be completed at an accredited US or English-speaking Canadian four-year institution. At least 43 quarter/29 semester units must be taken at a four year institution.

Unfortunately, our office is unable to offer individual advising. Please consult with your undergraduate advisor if you have questions.

MINIMUM UNITS	QTR	SEM
English Composition	8	6
General Chemistry with Lab	12	8
Organic Chemistry with Lab	8	4
Biochemistry	4	3
Physics	12	8
Biological Sciences	12	8
General Psychology	4	3
Social Sciences and Humanities	16	11
Additional Electives	63	42
Totals:	139	93

Additional Programs

- Dental Post-Baccalaureate: dentistry.ucsf.edu/programs/post-bac
- DDS/PhD: dentistry.ucsf.edu/programs/dds-phd
- DDS/MBA: dentistry.ucsf.edu/programs/dds-mba

Postgraduate Training dentistry.ucsf.edu/programs/post-grad

- Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD)
- Dental Public Health
- Endodontics
- General Practice Residency (GPR)
- Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
- Oral Medicine
- Orthodontics
- Periodontology
- Pediatric Dentistry
- Prosthodontics

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