



James B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine

The College of Dental Medicine is a state supported institution with an average enrollment of 75 D.M.D. degree-seeking students per class. Residency programs currently offered include endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, orthodontics, digital dentistry, and advanced education in general dentistry.

The College of Dental Medicine faculty have diverse educational backgrounds and experiences that have generated a scholarly education environment beyond reproach.

We expose our students to all aspects of clinical dentistry, as well as a broad range of research activities.

Our ultimate goal is to provide quality oral health care to the citizens of South Carolina. This is our number one priority.

Degrees Offered:

- ◆ Doctor of Dental Medicine - D.M.D.
- ◆ Dental Scientist Training Program Combined Degree - D.M.D./Ph.D.

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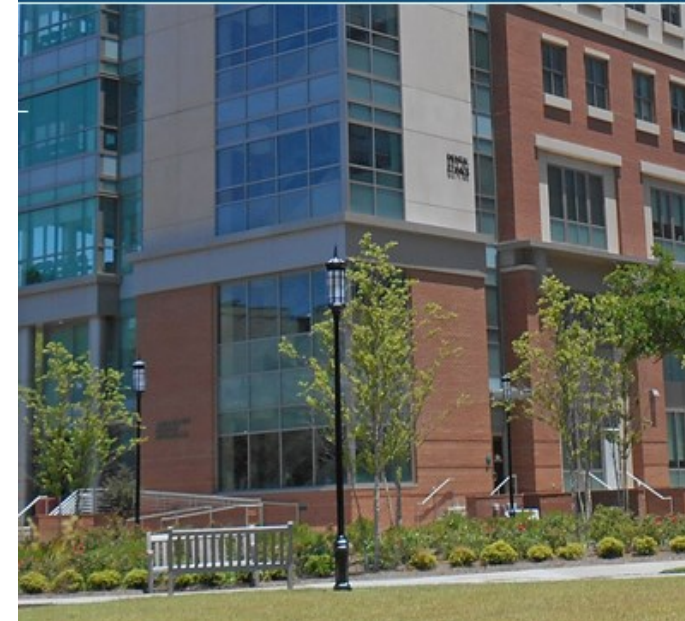
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Admission Requirements

Preference is given to 4-year baccalaureate degree candidates from a US accredited institution.

Prerequisites

The following pre-dental courses are required:

- ◆ Organic Chemist 8 semester hours
- ◆ General Chemistry 8 semester hours
- ◆ Physics 8 semester hours
- ◆ Biology or Zoology 8 semester hours
- ◆ English Composition 6 semester hours
- ◆ Mathematics 6 semester hours
- ◆ Science electives 8 semester hours

Additional Suggestions:

Applicants are encouraged to satisfactorily complete as many science courses as possible.

Recommendations include:

Biochemistry, microbiology, comparative anatomy, genetics, and histology.

Other recommended courses are computer information technology, business, finance, and accounting.

Dental Admissions Test

- ◆ Official Dental Admissions Test (DAT)
Test scores must be submitted to AADSAS directly from the testing service and must be less than five years old.

American Dental Association Dental Admissions Testing Program:
1-800-232-2162

<https://www.ada.org/en/education-careers/dental-admission-test>

Selection Factors

Selection is based on the applicant's total attributes, accomplishments, and potential for growth in the field of dental medicine.

Intellectual ability is judged by grade point average and DAT scores.

Letters of recommendation and personal interviews are used to evaluate the applicant's non-cognitive traits.

For further information, please visit our website at:
<https://dentistry.musc.edu/>

Admission Timeline:

Applicants are encouraged to submit and complete application materials as early as possible. An application will not be considered until all required application materials are received by the Office of Enrollment Management.

1. **Submit AADSAS Application**
Early June - December 15

<https://www.adea.org/aadsas/>

The College of Dental Medicine participates in the American Association of Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS) sponsored by the American Dental Education Association (ADEA). The AADSAS application is received by MUSC after transcripts are verified by AADSAS, which can take six to eight weeks after it is submitted.

2. **Submit MUSC Supplemental Application**
July 1 - December 15

<https://education.musc.edu/admissions/ready-to-apply/apply-now/doctor-of-dental-medicine>

3. **Applicant Interviews (Invitation Only)**
September through February

Applicants will be invited by email for interviews with College of Dental Medicine faculty from September to February. Interview spaces are limited.

4. **Final Decision sent to Applicants**
(Early December through April)

Applicants will be notified of the Admissions Committee final decisions by mail or email.

5. **All Accepted Dental Students Begin Classes**
The first Monday in June.