

Master of Science and Certificate in Orthodontics

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2023 ENTERING CLASS

147

Applications received

41

Applicants interviewed

5

Class size



THE CENTER

Located in the state-of-the-art Center for Advanced Oral Health on ATSU's campus in Mesa, Arizona.



ORTHODONTICS

First and only orthodontic residency program in Arizona. This program has a rich, clinically focused education and residents are exposed to the most current techniques and practices in the field.



UNDERSERVED

Residents provide orthodontic service to the underserved through clinical rotations at St. Vincent de Paul of Arizona and Phoenix Children's Hospital Cleft and Craniofacial Center.

60%

Approximately 60% of residents' time is devoted to clinical training, 20% to seminars and small-group classes, and the remainder to independent research and teaching.

CURRICULUM

This 30-month residential orthodontics program is based in Mesa, Arizona. Courses commence the first Monday following Fourth of July week, and graduation is held on the second Thursday in December following the second year of courses.

YEAR ONE

New residents have three weeks of orientation including basic classes like wire bending, bonding basic techniques, clinical photography, and other preclinical preparatory classes. By the third week, residents start their didactic coursework and bonding their first group of assigned patients. Starting in the third month, residents begin rotations at the St. Vincent de Paul Dental Clinic. During their first spring semester, the residents start their research projects and attend the Charles H. Tweed International Foundation for Orthodontic Research & Education's Tweed Study Course in Tucson, Arizona.

YEAR TWO

The residents continue their didactic courses, begin their craniofacial and temporomandibular disorder rotations, and continue their research projects. During the spring semester, all second-year residents attend the Charles H. Tweed International Foundation for Orthodontic Research & Education's Tweed Study Course in Tucson. Second-year residents take the American Board of Orthodontics (ABO) Written Examination during their spring semester.

YEAR THREE

Residents finish preparing their ABO cases, complete their research projects, and are encouraged to finish 80% of the clinical cases they started. Residents have time to visit orthodontic offices, observe orthognathic surgery cases, and attend job interviews.

PREREQUISITES

- » DMD/DDS degree or equivalent from a U.S. or Canadian CODA/CDAC accredited dental school
- » DMD/DDS and state board licensure eligibility
- » Official GRE scores - Scores older than three years prior to admissions year will not be accepted.
- » In lieu of GRE scores, ATSU-ASDOH will also accept the ADAT test.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

For requirements and application information, please visit:

atsu.edu/asdoh-apply

STUDENT LIFE

ATSU has many organizations for students on each campus. For more information, visit:

atsu.edu/asdoh-studentlife

ACCREDITATION

ATSU's Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health (ATSU-ASDOH) is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Commission on Dental Accreditation can be contacted at 312.440.4653 or at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The Commission's web address is: ada.org/100.aspx.

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