

SELECTION FACTORS

Applicants are evaluated based on academic coursework, performance on the DAT, AADSAS essay, letters of recommendation, and interviews. Demonstrated community service through volunteerism or service-oriented employment is preferred.



APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications received by December 15, 2004 will be given preference for Summer 2005 admission. Subsequent applications are considered until class openings are filled. Applicants meeting the minimum GPA requirements will be sent instructions to complete an online secondary application. Secondary applicants will be assessed a \$60 application fee.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

ASDOH participates in the Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS). Applications may be completed at <http://aadsas.adea.org>. Questions regarding completing applications should be directed to customer service representatives at (800) 353-2237, or via e-mail at csraadsas@adea.org.

For more information:
Phone: 480.219.6000
Email: admissions@atsu.edu

Note: Information in this brochure is subject to change. Please visit the website at www.atstu.edu for the most current information.

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DENTISTRY

DOCTOR OF DENTAL MEDICINE



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A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health (ASDOH) located in Mesa, Arizona is a school of A.T. Still University of Health Sciences and shares the Mesa campus with the Arizona School of Health Sciences (ASHS). ASHS offers graduate-level education in health care including doctoral degrees in audiology and physical therapy along with Master of Science degrees in medical informatics, occupational therapy, physician assistant studies and sports health care. A.T. Still University's Kirksville, Missouri campus is home to the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCOM) and the online School of Health Management. KCOM was founded in 1892 as the first school offering the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) degree.

ARIZONA SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY & ORAL HEALTH

The Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health (ASDOH) prepares caring, technologically adept dental students to become community and educational leaders serving those in need. The school offers students an experience-rich learning environment where health professionals approach patient health as part of an interdisciplinary team. The relationship of oral health to total health care is an essential component of the mission, teaching, and clinical experiences at ASDOH.

PROGRAM IN DOCTOR OF DENTAL MEDICINE (D.M.D.)

ASDOH offers qualified candidates a Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.) degree, with a certificate in public health management. The four-year curriculum emphasizes patient care experiences through simulation, integration of biomedical and clinical sciences, and problem solving scenarios to achieve clinical excellence. The curriculum includes a strong component of public health, leadership, and practice. Students have the opportunity to interact with faculty by joining regularly scheduled "grand rounds." Students will receive a significant amount of fourth-year clinical experiences offsite alongside dentists practicing in community-based health centers, American Indian Health Service clinics, or private offices.

ACCREDITATION

A.T. Still University of Health Sciences is accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602, Phone (800) 621-7440.

The Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health's dental education program 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.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

1. A formal minimum of three years (90 semester hours or 135 quarter hours); a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution is preferred.
2. Computer literacy in the operation and management of a laptop computer.
3. All applicants are required to complete the American Dental Admissions Test (DAT). Preference is given to those applicants who provide DAT scores by November of each application year. No scores older than three years will be accepted.
4. Applications must have a minimum cumulative and science grade point average of 2.50 on a four-point scale. The overall and science GPA, the school(s) attended, and the rigor of the academic course load are all assessed on an individual basis.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

- **General Biology** One year lecture and lab, minimum of 8 semester/12 quarter hours (zoology or microbiology are acceptable alternatives)

- **General Chemistry** One year lecture and lab, minimum of 8 semester/12 quarter hours
 - **Organic Chemistry** One year lecture and lab, minimum of 8 semester/12 quarter hours
 - **Physics (algebra-based)** One year of lecture and lab, minimum of 8 semester/12 quarter hours
 - **English Composition/Technical Writing** minimum of 3 semester/4 quarter hours
- Note: All prerequisite courses must be completed prior to matriculation.

CURRICULUM

First-Year Courses

Introduction to Health Sciences
Introduction to Human Sciences
Clerkships in General Dentistry
Dental Simulation Exercises

Second-Year Courses

Integrated Clinical Sciences
Integrated Community Practice Experience
Dental Simulation Exercises
Clerkships in General Dentistry

Third-Year Courses

Integrated Clinical Sciences
Dental Simulation Exercises
Clerkships in General Dentistry

Fourth-Year Courses

Community-Based Clinical Rotations (Rotations may include clinical experiences at a Community Health Center, Indian Health Service Clinic, Veteran's Administration Clinic, Military Base Clinic, etc.)

TUITION AND FEES

2004-2005 tuition for the Dentistry and Oral Health Program is estimated at \$31,800 annually. In addition, all students will be assessed annual fees for additional education supplies/instruments and services. Tuition and fees are subject to change, and will be determined by the Board of Trustees.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance may be available for students accepted into ASDOH through

the Student Financial Assistance Office. This office assists students in developing a comprehensive financial assistance package based on individual needs.

Requests for information regarding loans and other financial assistance should be directed to:

Student Financial Assistance
A. T. Still University of Health Sciences
800 West Jefferson Street
Kirksville, MO 63501-1497
800.626.5266, Ext. 2529
financialaid@atsu.edu

ARIZONA SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY & ORAL HEALTH FACTS

Program Length 4 years

Class Size 54

DAT Code 03 **FAFSA Code** . GO2477

2004 Entering Class

Applications Received 1870
Applicants Interviewed 362
Average GPA 3.43
Average Science GPA 3.32
Average DAT 17
Average Age 26
States represented 18
In-state 28%
Out-of-state 72%

Clinical Placements

Year 3 . . On-Campus Clinic
Year 4 . . On-Campus Clinic and rotations in community-based health centers

Our Faculty

Student to faculty ratio
Year 1 15:1
Year 4 1:1
Full-Time faculty: 16
Part-Time faculty: . . Nationally recognized leaders teach one to two-week modules, on the ASDOH campus, in their respective areas of expertise

Accomplishments

- Initial Accreditation Granted on January 31, 2003
- The Commission on Dental Accreditation stated that the curriculum of ASDOH would become a model for dental schools of the future
- ASDOH offers the most technologically advanced program of dental education
- Computers are an integral part of the educational experience. Laptops are a required component of each student's education, and all textbook materials are provided on each student's laptop computer

Our Students

The 54 students of the second incoming class at ASDOH form a diverse and energetic group with a proven track record of academic achievement and community service. The class is racially and gender diverse, with 7 underrepresented minorities, and 48% female, 52% male. Students participate in a variety of outdoor sports, activities, intramurals and organizations in addition to their studies.



A.T. Still University – Mesa, Arizona Campus

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