CURRICULUM

» Special emphasis on patient care experiences through simulation, using advanced digital scanning and objective feedback tools, integration of biomedical and clinical sciences, and problem-solving scenarios to achieve clinical experience
» Strong focus on public health, leadership, and practice

YEARS ONE & TWO (MESA, ARIZONA)

» Classroom and simulation clinic setting; clinical curriculum progression from observation, to dental assisting, to provision of direct patient care, allowing students to have earlier clinical experience
» Focus on basic sciences, oral health sciences, dental simulation exercises, community service, and transition into clinical patient care

YEAR THREE (MESA, ARIZONA)

» Patient-based clinical experiences and competency-based clinical evaluations
» Advanced clinical seminars covering innovative clinical technology, advanced clinical care, management of medically complex patients, business and practice management, interprofessional education, and ethical decision-making
» Review sessions targeted toward integration of basic sciences, body systems, and clinical practice to fully prepare for the new integrated national boards

YEAR FOUR

» Rotations within the Mesa clinic and at over 60 sites, including community health centers, private non-profit organizations, Indian Health Services, Tribal clinics, Veterans Affairs clinics, and mobile dental clinics
» Continued advanced clinical seminar series

PREREQUISITES

» General Biology* (Zoology or Microbiology are acceptable alternatives)
» General Chemistry*
» Organic Chemistry*
» Physics* (Algebra based)
» Human Anatomy**
» Human Physiology**
» Biochemistry** (upper division)
» English Composition/Technical Writing**

Highly recommended that science prerequisite courses be taken within five years of applying.

*One year with lab or 8 semester hours / 12 quarter hours
**3 semester hours / 4 quarter hours

APPLICATION INFORMATION

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2019 ENTERING CLASS

2,323 Applications received
320 Applicants interviewed
76* Class size
19.62 DAT academic average
25 Average age
16 States represented
3.37 Average GPA
3.23 Average science GPA

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