

Integrated Community Service Partnership (ICSP) program



Mission and Vision

Mission

Educate compassionate, community-minded oral health providers to lead the profession.

Vision

A.T. Still University's Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health (ATSU-ASDOH) aspires to be a leader in transforming dental education to improve the health of all communities through service, integrative whole person care, and scientific inquiry.

Providing care for the underserved

ATSU-ASDOH was founded in response to the growing need for more oral health professionals in areas where access to care is limited. These communities are home to many people who have difficulty accessing oral health services because of financial, geographic, and transportation barriers. Due to these factors, it is the unique and particular mission of ATSU-ASDOH to seek out, educate, and graduate dentists who will provide for those communities.

ATSU-ASDOH not only teaches students about the importance of caring for those who are underserved, it also engages students directly with those communities and integrates those principles in the curriculum and student experience from the first day of dental school.

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Community Service Partnerships

ATSU-ASDOH values its community service partnerships with sites located across the U.S. A key component of the School's mission is developing integrated community service partnerships (ICSP) where students are placed in community settings to complete around 50% of their clinical education during their fourth year. The ICSP program is a vital part of ATSU-ASDOH's unique educational program and provides students with:

- Exposure to a variety of community and public health-based clinical environments and situations.
- An opportunity to be taught and mentored by excellent clinicians.
- A deeper understanding of the unique oral health challenges faced by many communities and the opportunity to learn firsthand how to address those challenges.

Benefits of participating in ATSU-ASDOH's ICSP program:

- Clinicians and staff at the site help students learn from their years of clinical and professional experience.
- Clinical rotations may be used as a recruitment tool for future employment at your clinical site.
- Clinical preceptors may earn FREE continuing education credits through ATSU-ASDOH.
- All revenue generated by the student is retained by the clinical site.
- The clinical site provides a unique clinical experience in the education of future dental professionals regarding the cultural, societal, and health issues of its community.