Dentistry (DDS)

The Howard University College of Dentistry offers a four-year program that leads to a doctor of dental surgery degree (DDS). The dental curriculum consists of courses in clinical and basic sciences, practice management, ethics, and clinical experience. The program offers a comprehensive dental education that prepares graduates to enter the workforce as competent, professional and culturally sensitive clinicians.

The Howard University College of Dentistry offers postdoctoral programs in the fields of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry, General Practice Residency and an Advanced Education Program in General Dentistry. These programs meet the educational requirements necessary for certification by the respective specialty boards. The five existing programs fulfill the accreditation requirements for postdoctoral specialty programs in dentistry as determined by the Council on Dental Education of the American Dental Association and the Commission on Accreditation.

The level of instruction in the courses included in these programs is comparable to that of graduate dental courses. Research orientation, electives and research opportunities are included. A Certificate of Proficiency is awarded upon completion of the postdoctoral programs. In addition, separate internship and residency certificates are awarded to the oral and maxillofacial surgery and the general practice residency residents from Howard University Hospital.

Program: Dentistry

Type: DDS

Freshman/First Year

Item #	Title	Credits
DENT-169	General Anatomic Sciences	8
DENT-170	Biochemistry	4
DENT-198	Micro Anatomy (Histology) Lec/Lab	4
DENT-199	Ethics and Professionalism	1
ORDR-107	Intro to Clinical Dentistry	1
REDE-120	Dental Anatomy Lec/Lab	3
DENT-111	Evidence Based Decision Making I	0.5
DENT-112	Microbiology/Immunology	6
DENT-172	Oral Diagnosis	1
DENT-174	Physiology	7
PERI-117	Introduction to Periodontics Lecture	1
PROS-104	Occlusion Lecture	1
PROS-111	Introduction to Prosthodontics	1
REDE-106	Dental Materials	2.5
REDE-108	Restorative Operative	1
CLDE-129	Clinical Observation I	0.5
CLDE-209	Operative Dentistry Lab	2
PERI-115	Introduction to (Pre-Clinical) Periodontics	1
PROS-264	Fixed Prosthodontics I (Lec)	0.5
REDE-116	Behavioral Dentistry	1
REDE-208	Operative Dentistry Lecture	1
CLDE-102	Clinical Observation II (D1)	0
	Sub-Total Credits	48

Sophomore/Second Year

ltem #	Title	Credits
DENT-173	Pathology	6
DENT-225	Evidence Based Decision Making II	1
DENT-248	Pharmacology I	3
ORDR-215	Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology	2
ORSU-223	Head & Neck Anatomy	2
PEDO-249	Pediatric Dentistry I	1
PROS-215	Removable Prosthodontics Lecture II (D2)	1
PROS-216	Removable Prosthodontics Lecture (D2)	3
PROS-251	Fixed Prosthodontics Lab I (Lab)	0
PROS-250	Fixed Prosthodontics Lec I	0
REDE-234	Dental Practice Readiness Curriculum I	1
REDE-253	Operative Dentistry II (Lab)	3
DENT-202	Pharmacology II	3
CLDE-247	Clinical Observation II (D2)	0
ENDO-217	Endodontics	2
ENDO-219	Endodontics Lab	3
HISP-216	Oral Pathology I	2
ORDR-230	Treatment Planning Lecture	1
ORSU-222	Anesthesiology and Minor Oral Surgery	2
PERI-218	Periodontics Lecture	1
PROS-205	Fixed Prosthodontics Lab II	3
PROS-206	Fixed Prosthodontics Lecture II	1
PROS-211	Removable Prosthodontics Lecture (D2)	1
PROS-214	Removable Prosthodontics Laboratory (D2)	2
REDE-214	D2 Spring Dental Practice Readiness Curriculum	1
PERI-118	Periodontics Lab	2
CLDE-225	Clinical Observation (D2)	2.5
CLDE-236	Comprehensive Treatment Planning Lecture	1
CLDE-325	General Dentistry l	1
PROS-331	Preclinical Implant Lecture	1
PROS-332	Preclinical Implant Laboratory	1
CLDE-239	Clinical Rotation (D2)	0
CLDE-241	Clinical Restorative (D2)	0
CLDE-242	Clinical Periodontics (D2)	0
CLDE-243	Clinical Endodontics (D2)	0
CLDE-244	Clinical Prosthodontics (D2)	0
ORDR-262	Summer Radiology Tech (D2)	1
PEDI-245	Pre-Clinical Ortho-Pediatric Dentistry	3
PERI-260	Periodontics Lab I & II (D2)	1
PROS-262	Removable Prosthodontics II	1
	Sub-Total Credits	59.5

Junior/Third Year

Item #	Title	Credits
CLDE-367	Clinical Rotation (D3)	0
CLDE-368	Clinical Restorative (D3)	0
CLDE-369	Clinical Periodontics (D3)	0
CLDE-370	Clinical Endodontics (D3)	0
CLDE-371	Clinical Prosthodontics (D3)	0
CODE-315	Health Care Ethics	2
HISP-322	Oral Pathology II	1
ORDR-309	Principles of Medicine	2
ORSU-322	Anesthesia and Minor Oral Surgery II	1
ORTH-316	Growth & Development/Orthodontic Lecture	2
PERI-318	Periodontics II	1
REDE-308	Restorative Dentistry	1
REDE-334	Dental Practice Readiness Curriculum III	1
CLDE-300	General Dentistry II	2
CLDE-343	Clinical Rotation (D3)	4
CLDE-348	Clinical Restorative (D3)	2
CLDE-344	Clinical Prosthodontics (D3)	3
CLDE-345	Clinical Periodontics (D3)	2
CLDE-346	Clinical Endodontics (D3)	2
CODE-313	Public Health	3
ENDO-400	Advanced Topics in Endodontics	1
HISP-324	Oral Pathology III	1
HISP-327	Intro to Clinical and Translational Research	3
REDE-347	D3 Spring Dental Practice Readiness IV	1
CLDE-360	Clinical Rotation (D3)	0
CLDE-361	Clinical Restorative (D3)	0
CLDE-362	Clinical Endodontics (D3)	0
CLDE-363	Clinical Periodontics (D3)	0
CLDE-364	Clinical Prosthodontics (D3)	0
ORTH-417	Orthodontics	1
PROS-367	Clinical Implant Lecture/Laboratory	2
PROS-441	Advanced Prosthodontic Concepts	1
ORSU-422	Major Oral Surgery II	0-5
DENT-176	Case Presentation	2
-	Sub-Total Credits	41

Senior/Fourth Year

ltem #	Title	Credits
CLDE-475	Clinical Rotation (D4)	0
CLDE-477	Clinical Restorative (D4)	0
CLDE-478	Clinical Periodontics (D4)	0
CLDE-479	Clinical Endodontics (D4)	0
CLDE-480	Clinical Prosthodontics (D4)	0
ORSU-422	Major Oral Surgery II	0-5
PEDO-481	Pediatric Dentistry II	1
PERI-415	Periodontics III	1
CLDE-446	Clinical Rotation (D4)	4
CLDE-460	Clinical Restorative (D4)	2
CLDE-461	Clinical Prosthodontics (D4)	2
CLDE-462	Clinical Periodontics (D4)	2
CLDE-463	Clinical Endodontics (D4)	2
CLDE-464	CDCA Review	0
	Sub-Total Credits	19
	Total credits:	167.5