

681—2.4(262) College of dentistry.

2.4(1) *Application for admission.* Address all inquiries regarding admission to the Director of Admissions, University of Iowa.

Applicants are urged to apply as early as possible, since this will give the admissions committee more time to devote to each application. Closing dates for receiving applications will be announced well in advance of the opening date of any session.

Applicants for admission to dentistry are encouraged to complete a program leading to a baccalaureate degree before entering dentistry. Applicants should consider a combined program of liberal arts and dentistry which would qualify them for a baccalaureate degree upon the completion of the freshman year in dentistry. Preference will be given to students who have the baccalaureate degree or who have completed the requirements for the degree in a combined program.

Fulfillment of the specific requirements for admission listed does not ensure admission to the college of dentistry. From the applicants meeting the minimum requirements, the admissions committee will select the applicants who in their judgment appear to be best qualified for the study and practice of dentistry.

Each applicant must place on file in the office of the director of admissions the completed application form and an official transcript from each college attended.

The college work outlined below will suffice to meet the minimal academic requirements for admission to the college of dentistry.

The college curriculum must include at least three academic years of accredited work comprising not less than 96 semester hours and including specific required science courses as prescribed by the faculty of the college. Electives should be chosen so as to give the applicant a well-rounded educational background.

In order to meet minimum scholarship requirements, the applicant should attain a cumulative grade-point average of 2.5. Since the quality of coursework in pre-dental science is basic to success in dentistry, special consideration to such college work is given by the admissions committee. The grade-point average is based upon the University of Iowa's marking system in which a grade of "A" is equivalent to four points. Other marking systems will be evaluated by the office of admissions and the committee on admissions of the college of dentistry.

Applicants who have completed the requirements for admission to dentistry five or more years prior to seeking admission to this college of dentistry will be considered by the admissions committee only under exceptional conditions.

Preference will be given to applicants who are residents of Iowa, but consideration will also be given to outstanding nonresidents.

Personal interviews will be required of applicants for admission to the college of dentistry. Applicants will be notified when they should appear for the required interviews with members of the admissions committee.

All applicants must complete the dental aptitude tests sponsored by the council on dental education of the American Dental Association. Tests are given three times annually. The University of Iowa is a testing center.

To facilitate early selection, applicants for admission to the college of dentistry are urged to complete the aptitude test no later than October to enable the admissions committee to begin its selection in December.

Accepted applicants are required to make the required deposit within two weeks after notification of favorable action on their applications. This deposit is not refundable but is credited toward the first fee payment. The applicant who fails to make the deposit within the time specified forfeits a place in the entering class.

Applicants accepted for admission are required to submit a satisfactory physical examination report to the university student health service within two weeks following notification of acceptance.

All applicants must also complete, through student health service, an X-ray film of the chest and a successful vaccination against smallpox prior to registration.

2.4(2) *Advanced standing.* Applications for admission with advanced standing are handled as individual cases.