



### **Twin Cities Campus**

## **Dentistry M.S.**

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### **School of Dentistry**

Link to a [list of faculty](#) for this program.

#### **Contact Information:**

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- Program Type: Master's
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2017
- Length of program in credits: 30
- This program requires summer semesters for timely completion.
- Degree: Master of Science

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

The M.S. program in dentistry prepares dentists with clinical expertise for positions of leadership in education, research, and program administration in the oral health field. A multidisciplinary faculty of dental educators, researchers, and clinicians teach the program, which is housed in the School of Dentistry. All students complete core coursework in teaching and evaluation of dentistry, research methods, and health care administration. Additional advanced coursework is offered in these same focus areas, as well as in selected clinical and oral science topics with multidisciplinary impact, including conscious sedation, craniofacial pain, geriatrics, oral biology, oral medicine and radiology, oral pathology, practice administration, and psychology. Students have flexibility in planning individualized programs to accommodate their specific areas of interest, and courses from other disciplines may be included for credit in the major area.

Students enrolled in an advanced clinical dental training program may be admitted to the dentistry graduate program for concurrent study, but must carefully plan their curriculum with their faculty adviser and the director of graduate studies so that their residency and M.S. programs are appropriately integrated and satisfy University registration requirements. Programs in the School of Dentistry that may enroll students for the M.S. degree include endodontics, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, and prosthodontics and TMJ disorders/orofacial pain.

## **Program Delivery**

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

## **Prerequisites for Admission**

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 3.00.

DDS/DMD or equivalent from accredited US institution or recognized foreign school. Clinical residency enrollment and 3.0 GPA or rank in top quarter of graduating professional school class preferred.

Other requirements to be completed before admission:

Applicants must submit three letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with their academic capabilities. Also required is a brief essay (under 500 words) which relates the applicant's career goals to the goals of the program. Applications are received and reviewed throughout the year. Students may enter the program in any semester at the discretion of program faculty.

International applicants must submit score(s) from one of the following tests:

- TOEFL
  - Internet Based - Total Score: 80
  - Paper Based - Total Score: 600

The preferred English language test is Test of English as Foreign Language

Key to [test abbreviations](#)(TOEFL).

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website.



## Program Requirements

**Plan A:** Plan A requires 14 major credits, 6 credits outside the major, and 10 thesis credits. The final exam is oral.

**Plan B:** Plan B requires 14 major credits and 6 credits outside the major. The final exam is oral.

This program may be completed with a minor.

Use of 4xxx courses toward program requirements is permitted under certain conditions with adviser approval.

A minimum GPA of 3.00 is required for students to remain in good standing.

At least 2 semesters must be completed before filing a Degree Program Form.

Students pursuing either Plan A or Plan B must complete a minimum of 14 credits in the major, including four core courses in teaching and evaluation in dentistry, basic research methodology, introductory biostatistics, and fundamentals of health care administration. Courses from other disciplines may also be taken for credit in the major with the approval of the student's adviser and the director of graduate studies. All students must complete at least 6 credits outside the major field (either as a minor or related field credits), as well as program requirements for training in the Responsible Conduct of Research.