

UBC Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD)
Application for Admission in August 2017

DMD Admissions Procedure:

Admission to the dental program is based primarily on academic ability and personal qualities as evidenced by pre-dental scholastic records, aptitude tests, personal interviews, and Problem-Based Learning (PBL) Assessment. Fulfilment of the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance. The number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of available positions. Not every qualified applicant will be offered admission.

The deadline for application (including supporting documents) is October 14, 2016 for admission in August 2017. Early submission of applications and supporting documents is strongly encouraged. The application deadline is strictly enforced.

Pre-Dental Requirements:

To be eligible for admission, applicants must:

1. Be a Canadian citizen or Permanent Resident. Proof of the above must be uploaded through the online application in the form of a copy of one of the following: Canadian passport, Canadian Citizenship Certificate, Canadian Permanent Resident (PR) card or Canadian birth certificate. **Preference is given to residents of British Columbia.** A maximum of 10% of out-of-province applicants will be accepted each year.
2. Complete three academic years (**90 credits**) at a recognized faculty at The University of British Columbia, or its equivalent, by April 2017.
3. Achieve a minimum overall **Grade Point Average of 70%** or 2.8 on a 4.0 grading scale for ALL college/university work (including failed courses). While a GPA of 70% is the minimum requirement, applicants should consult the **entrance statistics** to determine if their application will be competitive.

The Grade Point Average is calculated on all university-transferable course work completed since high school. **Courses taken in the application year are not included in the GPA calculation that is used when considering applicants for admission.** The worst year will be dropped for applicants who have completed four or more years of college/university, provided it has at least 24 credits and is not the most recent year.

4. Complete the **required prerequisite courses** by April of the academic year in which they apply. If registered in prerequisite courses in 2016W Term 2, transcripts reflecting registration in these courses must be received in our office no later than November 15th, 2016.
5. Write the DAT exam. Canadian and American DAT scores from no later than the November 5, 2016 Canadian DAT exam will be accepted for the October 14, 2016 deadline. Please ensure that you check the box beside University of British Columbia on your test registration form so that UBC will receive a copy of your DAT results directly. DAT results are valid for a period of 5 years. Two components only of the DAT are used in our evaluation: **Academic Average** and **Perceptual Test**. For applicants who have written the DAT exam more than once, we will use the best overall test score in our calculations. To download a printable copy of the brochure (in PDF format) or request a copy of the brochure from:

Dental Aptitude Test Program
Canadian Dental Association
1815 Alta Vista Drive
Ottawa, Ontario K1G 3Y6
Tel: (613) 523-1770
www.cda-adc.ca/en/becoming/dat/index.asp

American Dental Association
211 Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611-2678
Tel: (312) 440-2500
www.ada.org/dat.aspx

Only DAT scores declared will be considered. In the case of more than one DAT score declared, best score will be considered.

How to Apply:

The DMD Application Form can be found on-line at secure.dentistry.ubc.ca. Paper applications are not accepted. In addition to completing the on-line application, applicants must ensure the following documents are received in our office by the October 14, 2016 deadline:

1. **Official Transcripts** – Applicants must request official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions where they have studied. All transcripts submitted must be

official and must be sent directly to our office from the institution. An official transcript is one bearing an official seal and/or signature of the issuing institution (or which has been produced on the institution's secured paper). **Photocopies and legally certified (notarized) copies are not acceptable.** These transcripts must be received in our office by the October 14, 2016 deadline. In addition to this, applicants are required to upload their student transcripts to the online application. UBC students applying to Dentistry are not required to submit an official UBC transcript. Applicants who are granted conditional acceptance to the DMD program are required to provide transcripts of their final grades by June 9, 2017.

High School Transcripts – Official high school transcripts are only required 1) if you are using AP courses to fulfill your prerequisites and/or 2) if you are using high school transcripts to prove B.C. residency.

IB Transcripts – Applicants who are using IB credits towards the required 90 credits, or to fulfill prerequisites, must send official IB transcripts in sealed envelopes from source.

2. **DAT Scores** – Applicants must request original DAT scores from the Canadian Dental Association or the American Dental Association. These must be sent directly to our office from the CDA or ADA. Only DAT scores declared on your application will be considered. In the case of more than one DAT score declared, best score will be considered.
3. **Application Fee Payment** – An application fee payment of \$224.50 CAD, payable to the University of British Columbia, must be submitted on or prior to the deadline. This is a non-refundable fee and does not apply to tuition. Payment may be made by money order, bank draft or certified cheque, or credit card. **Personal cheques or cash will not be accepted.**
4. **Proof of Canadian Citizenship or Permanent Residency** – Proof to be uploaded through the online application in the form of a copy of one of the following: Canadian passport, Canadian Citizenship Certificate, Canadian Permanent Resident (PR) card or Canadian birth certificate.
5. **BC Residency (if applicable)** – If declaring BC residency, applicants must submit documents supporting the applicable declaration as per the B.C. Residency Requirement for DMD Program document: Preference is given to residents of British Columbia.

Work Cited:

"DMD Admissions Procedure." *UBC Doctor of Dental Medicine*,
<http://www.dentistry.ubc.ca/dmd/dmd-admission-procedures>. Accessed 23
November, 2016.