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Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry

<http://www.dentistry.vcu.edu/idp>

Description of Program

At the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry, we share a commitment to oral health care education, research, patient care and community service. For more than 120 years, we have served as the commonwealth of Virginia's only dental school, preparing students for successful careers in private practice, academia, hospitals and public agencies. We are committed to the education of highly qualified dental professionals, research that advances the understanding of oral health, disease and effective treatment, service to the community, and improved oral and general health of our patients and the general population. Our students graduate equipped to provide comprehensive oral health care services to patients with a wide array of needs.

The VCU School of Dentistry International Dentist Program offers internationally-trained dentists an opportunity to enter the D.D.S. dental degree program in the second year. The program is open to any non-US trained dentist.

Contact Information

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Program Details

Length of Program: 33 months
Program Application Deadline: February 22, 2018
Program Start Date: July 2018
Class Size: 10 students will enter the program in July 2018
Degree Awarded: D.D.S.

Requirements to Apply to Program

English Language Proficiency

- ✧ Must be proficient in the English language
- ✧ Accept Internet Based TOEFL (iBT) scores only
- ✧ Program requires an iBT average score of 94 or above with 20 or above in each of the four evaluations
- ✧ TOEFL may be waived if candidate has a degree from a US accredited college or university
- ✧ TOEFL must be completed by February 1, 2018
- ✧ Score received at time of application must be less than 2 years old

National Board Dental Examination Requirements

- ✧ Program requires passage of NBDE Part I and prefers but does not require NBDE Part II to be considered for admission
- ✧ Both NBDE Part I and, optionally, NBDE Part II must be passed by February 1, 2018

Advanced Dental Admission Test (ADAT)

- ✘ Completion of the ADAT is preferred but not required for admission to the program.

Letters of Evaluation

- ✘ Program requires three Letters of Evaluation
- ✘ Letters should be submitted to ADEA CAAPID
- ✘ Additional letters exceeding CAAPID's capacity may be sent directly to the program
- ✘ Program prefers one Letter of Evaluation to come from the Dean or a faculty member of the dental school from which applicant graduated. The second letter should come from a dentist practicing in the United States who supervised or worked with the applicant in a clinical or educational setting. The third letter should come from someone the applicant has been supervised by in a professional setting.
- ✘ Letters must be less than 2 years old.

Transcripts and Evaluations

- ✘ Applicant must submit an official, detailed, course-by-course evaluation by ECE (preferred) or WES to ADEA CAAPID

Application Fees

- ✘ After submitting ADEA CAAPID application and ADEA on-line fee, submit an \$85 non-refundable application fee at <http://www.dentistry.vcu.edu/programs/internationaldentists/application/payment>. **Do not submit payment to VCU IDP until after you have submitted your CAAPID application.**

*Other Documents That Should Be Mailed **Directly to the Program if Invited for an Interview***

- ✘ Official transcripts from dental program and any other post graduate studies or other original higher education transcripts
- ✘ Official TOEFL score report (if not provided through CAAPID)
- ✘ Official NBDE Part I score report
- ✘ 2"x2" Passport Photo
- ✘ A copy of the applicant's dental license, if applicable
- ✘ A copy of the applicant's dental school diploma
- ✘ A copy of internship certificate if applicable
- ✘ Proof of residency - a copy of immigration documentation (US passport, permanent resident card or Visa)
- ✘ Payment of a \$200 non-refundable bench test fee which will be requested in the interview invitation

Proof of Residency

- ✘ Program has no residency preference