

**Virginia Commonwealth University
School of Dentistry**

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Description of Program

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) School of Dentistry is a public, urban, and research dental school located in Richmond, Virginia. The school's mission is to provide educational programs that prepare graduates qualified to provide dental care services.

The VCU School of Dentistry International Dentist Program offers foreign-trained dentists an opportunity to enter the D.D.S. dental degree program in the third year. A 16-week preparatory phase is a mandatory program prior to entering the third year. The program is open to any foreign-trained dentist.

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Program Details

Length of Program: 28 months, including a 16 week preparatory program
Program Application Deadline: May 15, 2012 at 5:00PM
Program Start Date: January 1, 2013
Class Size: 10 students will enter the program in 2013
Degree Awarded: D.D.S.

Requirements to Apply to Program

English Language Proficiency

- ✘ Must be proficient in the English language
- ✘ Applicants whose native language is not English are required to take the TOEFL
- ✘ Accept Internet Based TOEFL (iBT) scores only
- ✘ The iBT average score must be 94 or above and with 20 or above in each of the four evaluations
- ✘ Must submit original (official) TOEFL (iBT) score report directly to program (not to CAAPID)
- ✘ TOEFL may be waived if candidate has a degree from a US accredited college or university

National Board Dental Examination Requirements

- ✘ Program requires passage of NBDE Part I and NBDE Part II to be considered for admission
- ✘ Submit official National Board Dental Scores to IDP (not to ADEA CAAPID) after submitting ADEA CAAPID application

Letter of Evaluation

- ✘ Program accepts up to three Letters of Evaluation. These letters should be submitted directly to the program
- ✘ Program prefers one Letter of Evaluation to come from the Dean of the dental school from which applicant graduated

Transcripts and Evaluations

- ✘ Applicant must submit to program a detailed evaluation by ECE
- ✘ Applicant must submit to IDP official transcripts from dental program or post graduate studies, other original higher education transcripts, notarized copy of Dental School Diploma and Dental License

Application Fees

- ✘ Send a non-refundable application fee to IDP (not to ADEA CAAPID) after submitting ADEA CAAPID application and on-line fee
- ✘ \$125 application fee made payable to VCU School of Dentistry in the form of a check or money order

Proof of Residency

- ✘ Program prefers candidates who are US citizens or Permanent Resident card holders. Exceptions may be made on an individual basis. **Applicants do not have to be residents of the state of Virginia in order to apply.**
- ✘ Send proof of legal residency
You must send a copy of your immigration documentation (US passport, permanent resident card or Visa) directly to our program

*Other Documents That Should Be **Sent Directly to Program** after submitting ADEA CAAPID application (not to ADEA CAAPID)*

- ✘ Send 2" X 2" photograph to program
- ✘ Send original transcripts or mark sheets that have been evaluated by ECE directly to program
- ✘ Send a personal statement, one page long, if different from the ADEA CAAPID statement