

**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 14-week preparatory phase is a mandatory program prior to entering the third year. Program is open to foreign-trained dentists with established residency in Virginia.

The program is still in planning stages and requires final university approval.

Contact Information

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Program Details

Length of Program: 25 months, including a 14 week preparatory program
Program Application Deadline: November 1, 2009 at 5:00PM
Start Date: April 2010
Class Size: 5 students will be accepted in 2010
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 TOEFL score report directly to program (not to CAAPID)

National Board Dental Examination Requirements

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

Letter of Evaluation

- ✘ Program accepts up to three Letters of Evaluation
- ✘ Program prefers one Letter of Evaluation to come from dean of dental school from which applicant graduated

Transcripts and Evaluations

- ✘ Applicant must submit to ADEA CAAPID a detailed evaluation by ECE
- ✘ If admitted, program will require official transcripts from dental program

Supplemental application

- ✘ May be invited by the program to submit a supplemental application after review of the ADEA CAAPID application

Application Fees

- ✘ Send a non-refundable application fee to program (not to ADEA CAAPID) after submitting ADEA CAAPID application
- ✘ \$30 application fee made payable to VCU School of Dentistry in the form of a check or money order

Other Documents That Should Be Sent Directly to Program (not to ADEA CAAPID)

- ✘ Send 2" X 2" photograph to program (not to ADEA CAAPID) after submitting CAAPID application
- ✘ Send copy of mark sheets or transcripts directly to program (not to ADEA CAAPID) after submitting CAAPID application. Original transcripts should be brought to first interview.
- ✘ Send a personal statement, one page long, directly to program (not to ADEA CAAPID) after submitting CAAPID application
- ✘ Send proof of legal residency in Virginia directly to program (not to ADEA CAAPID).

Proof of residency in VA must include Virginia ID or Driver's license, and one of the following: VA voter registration card, motor vehicle registration, tax return form, place of residence lease or purchase agreement.