About Creighton University

Creighton University, located in Omaha, Nebraska, offers a top-ranked education in the Jesuit tradition. The School of Dentistry is leading dental education, providing future generations of dentists who achieve excellence in care, demonstrate compassion and commitment to the service of others. The School of Dentistry includes the College of Dentistry, which is one of the oldest in the United States. The College of Dentistry offers a predoctoral program in dental education and a graduate program in dental hygiene.

Application Procedure

The School of Dentistry participates in the Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS). Applicants must submit the AADSAS application by June 1, 2020. Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis.

Admission

It is the admission policy of Creighton University to accept qualified students within the limits of its resources and facilities. See also the University’s Non-discrimination Policy. All applicants are considered for admission on the basis of their potential to successfully complete the predoctoral program without compromise of the established standards of academic and clinical performance expected of all graduates of the School of Dentistry, and their potential to best serve the needs of society. The School of Dentistry believes a diverse body of students provides educational opportunities for all members of the Creighton community and furthers the dental profession’s goals of educating culturally competent professionals who can work successfully with all segments of the population and address their needs.

Requirements for Admission

To be eligible for admission, students must:

1. Be a high school graduate or equivalent
2. Have completed college-level coursework in:
   - Chemistry (3 semesters)
   - English (3 semesters)
   - Biology (3 semesters)
   - Physics (3 semesters)

Applicants are required to achieve a score of 17 on the DAT in the academic average, perceptual ability and total science sections. Applicants who achieve scores of less than 17 will be reviewed for admission on a case-by-case basis.

Early application is strongly encouraged to give the Admissions Committee more time to evaluate the applications. All required credentials necessary to complete the application must be received by March 1, 2021.

Application fee: $60

Physical Fitness

Applicants must be able to perform the physical and manual functions with or without reasonable accommodations necessary to the performance of dental hygiene.

Selection

All applicants are considered for admission on the basis of academic performance, professional experience, and personal qualities.

Enrollment Reservation Deposits

First Deposit—A $150 enrollment reservation deposit is required of each prospective student within 30 days following the date of the letter from the Creighton University Dental Admissions Office initially accepting the student for admission. The deposit is credited to the first semester’s tuition. If the accepted student fails to register or withdraws from the school after registering, the first and second deposits are returned unless the acceptance is canceled by the Committee on Admissions because the student failed to meet the conditions under which he/she was initially accepted.

Second Deposit—A second $1,200 deposit is required of each prospective student within 15 days following the date of the letter from the Creighton University Dental Admissions Office finally accepting the student for admission. This deposit is also credited to the first semester’s tuition. If the accepted student fails to register or withdraws from the school after registering, the first and second deposits are forfeited to the University.

Advanced Standing Program

Our Advanced Standing Program is a space-available program. There is no guarantee that we will take any applicant in any given year. The basic requirements to be able to apply to our program are: (1) applicant must be a graduate of an accredited dental school; (2) applicant must have completed the required courses by the time they apply to our program; and (3) applicant must pass the NBDE Part I and II exams. Each applicant must show evidence of completing a specialty degree or certificate of a specialty from a United States institution.
Transfer Applications
Applications for transfer are considered as individual cases.

Registration
Registration occurs on the date preceding the opening of classes in August as specified in the calendar. Students failing to register on that day may not be enrolled. No regular student may enroll after the first week of instruction.

Tuition and Fees
Tuition and fees are payable at the time of registration for a semester, and are subject to change without notice.

- Application of admission fee: $350
- Enrollment reservation deposit (credited to tuition): $600
  a. First deposit—required when initially accepted for admission
  b. Second deposit—required when finally accepted for admission
- Tuition per semester for courses in dental curriculum, effective August 2020: $33,997

Student Financial Aid
Students may borrow up to the full cost of attendance, as determined by the estimated cost of attendance and the maximum loan eligibility.

The Health Professions Student Loan—Creighton University participates in this program established through the Health Professions Education Assistance Act of 1963 (Public Law 88–129). The Health Professions Loan is limited to those students showing exceptional financial need. In all cases parental income information must be included regardless of taxable status or dependent/ independent status. The amount a student may receive will be dependent upon their "financial need" and available funds. This is a 5% deferred interest loan.

Federal Direct Grad PLUS Loan—This is a credit-based loan that allows graduate/professional students to borrow up to the cost of attendance less other aid. The interest rate is fixed and there is an origination fee that will be deducted from each disbursement. Please check the Creighton University Financial Aid Office’s website for the current interest rate and fee information. Students may borrow through this loan program as long as they don’t have adverse credit. First-time borrowers will need to complete a Grad PLUS Master Promissory Note and online entrance counseling. Information to complete these requirements will be included with the award notification. Repayment begins six months after graduation.

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Apply for admission to Creighton University’s School of Dentistry. No financial aid commitment can be made until a student is accepted for admission.

Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after October 1, by going online at fafsa.ed.gov. To be considered for Health Professions Loan assistance, parental financial income must be supplied on the FAFSA regardless of the dependency status. Students that are eligible for assistance will be notified with an award letter.

Idaho Dental Education Program (IDEP)—Certified residents of Idaho can elect to take their first year of dentistry in their state of residence at Idaho State University and then complete their studies at the Creighton University School of Dentistry.

Compact States Aid—A limited number of qualified applicants are accepted and receive partial tuition remission from the compact states of Idaho, New Mexico, North Dakota and Wyoming. Residents of compact sites must contact respective state for residency certification.

More Information
Creighton University School of Dentistry
dentistry.creighton.edu

Creighton University Financial Aid Office
creighton.edu/financialaid

Supplemental Application Form
creighton.edu/dental-supplemental-app

Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
fafsa.ed.gov

Associated American Dental Schools Application Service (AADSAS)
adaa.org

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