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Hello,

I am delighted to welcome you to the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry at Western University. As an international dental graduate, you are taking the final steps to enter the dental workforce in Canada, and I couldn't be happier for you. As the son of an international medical graduate, I can appreciate how important this is for you and your family.

You are embarking on a journey filled with opportunity and significant learning experiences. You will be laying the bases for a career of lifelong learning and being of service to your patients and communities. You will find the next three years challenging, and you will be supported by a dedicated group of faculty and staff working alongside you to make your experience stimulating and fulfilling.

Schulich Dentistry values professionalism and excellence. Our Learner Experience Office provides academic, career, and personal support on campus. Both Schulich and Western have newly developed offices of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, each promoting a culture that welcomes the diverse contributions of all our members.

Soon, the donning of your white coat will symbolize the beginning of your journey to become a dentist in Canada. We are looking forward to meeting you at our White Coat Ceremony, where we invite your parents, partners, and friends to celebrate this unique tradition alongside us. Detailed information will be communicated to you by the Admission Office when it becomes available.

Your academic year will begin with our orientation program. Please take some time to read the information and documentation posted on the [Post-Admissions web page](#). Your first scheduled class for dental kit orientation is mandatory, where you will be issued equipment and dental instruments.

Schulich Dentistry has an active student dental society called UWODSS (UWO Dental Student Society) and we encourage you to get involved. Once classes begin, the 2023-2024 President will be in contact with you and your classmates to choose your own Class of 2026 President and inform you more about UWODSS.

On behalf of our faculty and staff, welcome and congratulations on your acceptance into Schulich Dentistry. We are confident in your success and wish you all the best in the years to come.

Warm regards,



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