



Ontario Dental Association
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Congratulations on your acceptance into Schulich Dentistry at Western University. Whether you are joining the DDS Class of 2030 or entering the DDS Class of 2029 from the Advanced Standing Program for International Dental Graduates, this exciting new journey is a clear result of your hard work, dedication, and commitment. We are pleased to welcome you into the profession by inviting you to become a student member with the Ontario Dental Association (ODA).

For more than 150 years, the ODA has been providing dentists with support, education, and advocacy. We know how important it is to be connected to others within the profession and look forward to providing the support and tools you need as you make your way through dental school and embark on a rewarding and successful career.

In the "Additional Information section", you'll find a link to the **ODA student membership brochure**, which details a range of benefits and services available to you. These include access to both clinical and practical resources; a subscription to the *Ontario Dentist* journal; exclusive discounts on travel, office supplies, and health services; and free educational and networking events.

You will be eligible to attend a CPR and First Aid Training course at no additional cost on Tuesday, September 22, 2026. Specific times for the training will be confirmed in the fall by the faculty. This training meets the requirements as outlined by your school.

Don't miss one of the most valuable benefits of your student membership, the [No-Cost Dental Student Insurance Program](#). Sponsored by CDSPI, this essential coverage includes disability, accident, and life insurance, plus up to \$15,000 for loss or damage to your dental hand tools. Take a moment to apply now and make sure you're protected from day one.

ODA student applications open on June 1, 2026. Sign up at www.oda.ca/studentmember to start accessing your ODA benefits.

Please feel free to contact me for further information at cwillis@oda.ca or by calling 416-922-3900 (or toll-free at 1-800-387-1393), ext. 3318.

I look forward to seeing you at an ODA event throughout the years and wish you the very best in your dental studies!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Courtney Willis".

Courtney Willis
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