



INDIGENOUS APPLICANTS TO THE DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY PROGRAM

Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University

WHY CHOOSE SCHULICH DENTISTRY

- Schulich Medicine & Dentistry is committed to making a difference in the health of Indigenous People in Canada;
- Consideration given to applicants who self-identify on their application that they are from an Indigenous community;
- Western is home to a growing Indigenous population with more than 500 Indigenous students;
- Learner Experience Office is dedicated to supporting personal and professional needs;
- Western offers dedicated and culturally responsive programs, services and spaces to foster and support Indigenous student culture, including a new Indigenous Learning Space for teaching, learning and gathering.

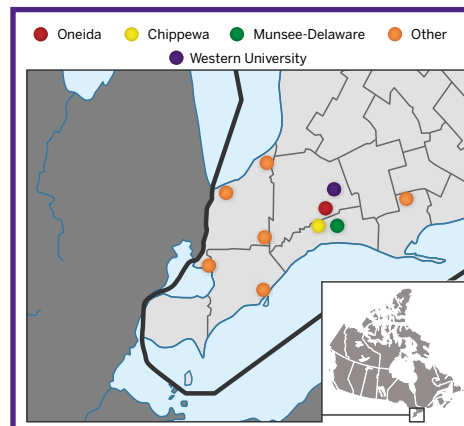
ACKNOWLEDGING TERRITORY

We acknowledge the Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, Lunaapéewak and Chonnonton Nations, whose traditional territories are where this resource was produced.

We also acknowledge that Western University is located on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum. This land continues to be home to diverse Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) whom we recognize as contemporary stewards of the land and vital contributors of our society.

KEY FEATURES OF THE DDS PROGRAM

- Early introduction to patient care;
- State-of-the-art Dentistry Simulation Laboratory
- Summer research training programs and Dental Outreach Community Service opportunities;
- Invested in fostering success for licensing exams and future careers, and offering graduate programs in Orthodontics and Oral Maxillofacial Surgery.



2021-2022 ADMISSION CYCLE

597
APPLICANTS

INTERVIEWED
186 56
CLASS SIZE

2
DESIGNATED SEATS
RESERVED FOR
INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

FIRST-YEAR
TUITION & ANCILLARY FEES

CANDIAN STUDENTS
\$52,883

FINANCIAL AID FOR
ALL FOUR YEARS

\$771,725
SCHOLARSHIPS
& BURSARIES
(BASED ON MERIT AND/OR NEED)

16
SCHULICH
SCHOLARSHIPS
\$11,200
PER YEAR

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

APPLICATION TIMELINE 2022 - 2023

SEPTEMBER 2022

Ontario Universities Application Centre (OUAC) online application opens

NOVEMBER 1, 2022

(11:59 pm ET)

Application due including Autobiographical Sketch & Personal Statement, transcripts, DAT and Casper scores

FEBRUARY 2023

Interviews

MARCH 2023

First round offers

Admission is competitive. Requirements may change from year to year without notice.

**DAT and Casper cut-offs are set each year based on calibre of applicant pool.*

DEGREE

- Must be in the final year of, or have successfully completed, a four-year undergraduate university degree.
- Degree requirements must be completed by:
 - June 30, 2023 (undergraduate or thesis-based graduate program);
 - August 15, 2023 (course-based graduate program).
- Pre-requisites in Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Human/Mammalian Physiology; require a pass or credit designation.

ACADEMIC AVERAGE

- Two best years where each meet all of the following:
 - A full-course load (30 credit hours) completed between September and April;
 - At least 18 credit hours at, or above, the year of study;
 - Achieves a minimum 80% academic average.
- If 2019-2020 is one of the best two years, academic average will be determined on Fall 2019 grades only.
- Graduate, summer, and courses taken during application cycle are not eligible for academic average consideration.

DENTAL APTITUDE TEST (DAT)*

- Must be written within two years prior to application deadline.
- Only most recent scores will be used.

CASPER*

- Must be completed within the year prior to the application deadline.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH AND PERSONAL STATEMENT

- What makes you unique; outline scholastic and non-scholastic achievements that may not be evident in the application and/or transcripts.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Applicants must self-identify to be considered for one of two designated seats and:

- Describe experiences within Indigenous communities (within the Autobiographical Sketch and Personal Statement).
- Provide confirmation of Indigenous status.

OTHER APPLICATION STREAMS

Dental Clinician Scientist Program

For applicants who wish to pursue a PhD in a dentistry-related field. Concurrent application, for deferred admission to the DDS program.

Second Year Transfer

For citizens or permanent residents of Canada who are enrolled in an approved dental program in Australia, Ireland, New Zealand or the United States.

Transfer application opens in May and closes July 1, for entry in September of the same year. A competition will be held only if a vacancy exists.

HARMONIZING HEALTH PERSPECTIVES

This symbol depicts a model of health known as the Medicine Wheel, recognized by many Indigenous nations particularly those in the Eastern Woodlands region where Schulich Medicine & Dentistry is located.

The figures holding hands signify a community of unique individuals working toward a common goal. The infinity symbols represent the exchange of knowledge and culture, and refer to an original Métis meaning: the joining of distinct cultures. Purple represents Western University, the community in which we learn, grow and teach.

