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Applicant Information Bulletin 2021 – 2022

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Please review this document along with the Temporary Requirement Changes for 2021-2022 Document.

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Section 1: General Statement

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide information to prospective applicants to the Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry at the University of Manitoba. This document outlines categories of admission, requirements and deadlines.

This bulletin is available with, and constitutes part of, the application. It is assumed that all applicants have read and understood it prior to submitting the completed application.

Programs Offered: Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.)
Section 2: Eligibility Requirements

A. Academic Requirements

All applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Completed Coursework

   (i) The successful completion of a minimum of 60 graded credit hours of university degree level studies

   (ii) The successful completion of a minimum of 2 Regular Fall/Winter sessions of university degree level coursework, where each Regular Fall/Winter session contains a minimum of 24 new and graded credit hours; or completion of the academic requirements of the University of Manitoba Health Careers Access Program (accessible to applicants of the Indigenous populations of Canada)

   (iii) The successful completion of the 42 required credit hours (or equivalent) as listed in the Required Courses table (see Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 3. Required Courses)

Students may file an application for admission to the Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry during the university academic year, assuming they will satisfactorily complete these requirements at the April examinations of the year for which application is made. Only those applicants who have completed all of the requirements by the end of the April examinations and granted an interview will be considered in the final selection process.

NOTES: Relating to Completed Coursework

a. Applicants may request elimination of their first program of study if there is an eight year gap between last registration in their first program and the beginning of registration in their second program of study (See Section 4: Selection Process, B. Calculation of the Adjusted Grade Point Average (AGPA)).

b. Upon written submission at time of application, Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate (AP/IB) courses can be used to fulfill core course requirements. However, AP/IB courses shall not be used to fulfill the minimum new 24 credit hour requirement (see Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 1. Completed Coursework). If applicants select to use AP/IB courses to fulfill core course requirements it will be the responsibility of the applicant to have their official AP/IB transcript submitted to the University of Manitoba by the document deadline.

c. Two-year or three-year diploma program coursework cannot be used to fulfill the two year 24 credit hour requirement.

2. Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT)

Please review the Temporary Requirement Changes for 2021-2022 document for information regarding the DAT examination requirement for 2021-2022.


All categories of applicants seeking admission for the 2021-2022 session MUST have written, and met the minimum results of the Canadian English Dental Aptitude Test (DAT), sponsored by the Canadian Dental Association (CDA), no later than November 2020, in order to be eligible for consideration (see Section 4: Selection Process, C. The Results of the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT)).

For those applicants who are granted an interview for the 2021-2022 selection, the best single Canadian English DAT scores obtained between February 2018 and February 2021 inclusive will be calculated in the overall score.

Students may elect to retake the Canadian English DAT in February 2021, however, the results of the February 2021 Canadian English DAT will only be considered in the final selection process for those to whom interviews were granted. Application forms and complete details on the Canadian English DAT may be obtained from the Canadian Dental Association website at: www.cda-adc.ca

3. Required Courses

Please note that courses taken external to the University of Manitoba are reviewed each year and subject to change. Applicants should check the Transfer Credit Equivalency Database to ensure the course work...
they have taken is acceptable for direct equivalence to the required University of Manitoba courses listed below.
https://aurora.umanitoba.ca/banprod/ksstransequiv.p_trans_eq_main

### Core Courses

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<td>Introductory Chemistry (6)</td>
<td>CHEM 1300 and 1310</td>
<td>CHEM 1101/6 or 1111/3 and 1112/3</td>
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<td>CHEM 2201/6 or 1201/6 or 2202/3 and 2203/3</td>
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<td>Biochemistry (6)</td>
<td>CHEM 2360 and 2370</td>
<td>CHEM 3501/6 or 3502/3 and 3503/3</td>
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<td>Physics (6)</td>
<td>PHYS 1020 and 1030 or PHYS 1050 and 1070</td>
<td>PHYS 1301/6 or 1101/6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Biology (6)</td>
<td>BIOL 1020 and 1030</td>
<td>BIOL 1111/6 or 1115/3 and 1116/3</td>
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### Other Courses

| English | One full year or two half year, university degree-level English course (ENGL) offered through the English department |
| Humanities/Social Sciences | *One full year or two half year courses (must be in the non-applied Sciences or non-pure Sciences) |
| Other | The remaining 3 full year courses or 6 half year courses are your electives. We do not recommend specific courses. |

* Please see the following link for the definition of Humanities/Social Sciences courses:

http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student_resources/requirements.html

**NOTES: Relating to Required Courses**

a. All core courses are full courses or full course equivalents. Courses taken outside of a university in Manitoba may require more than the full course equivalent in order to meet course content requirements at the University of Manitoba.

b. All full Science courses must include a laboratory component.

c. Applicants who wish to meet our requirements using transcripts from a non-Canadian institution will be required to present course syllabi for all Core Science courses listed in the above table. The syllabi must include course descriptions, as well as a listing of course assignments, required readings, texts and labs. If a syllabus cannot be provided, the applicant will be required to take an acceptable course equivalent at a Canadian institution.

d. Applicants whose pre-dental education was not completed in Manitoba will be eligible for consideration if they have completed courses deemed by the University of Manitoba to be equivalent to those shown above. Eligibility to other Canadian dental programs does not guarantee eligibility to the University of Manitoba dental program.

**B. Canadian Residency**

All applicants must be a **Canadian citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada** at the time of application.

**C. English Language Proficiency Requirements**

All applicants whose primary language is not English and do not qualify for a waiver under the University of Manitoba’s English language proficiency regulations will be required to demonstrate proficiency in English through one of the options listed at the University of Manitoba Admissions web site.

See the link below to view information regarding specific English Language Proficiency Requirements and English Language Proficiency Waiver information:

http://umanitoba.ca/admissions/undergraduate/requirements/english-language-proficiency

**Results for most language tests, including TOEFL, IELTS and CanTEST, expire two years from the test date. Test scores must be valid at the start of classes. Please confirm the validity of your test results.**
D. Categories of Applicants

The first year dental class will consist of 29 individuals. The Committee will consider applicants in three categories as described in the following section. Applicants must designate their preferred category on the application form. Applicants applying for Special or Canadian Indigenous categories will also be considered under the Regular category. The Committee reserves the right to reassign any applicant to the appropriate category or categories based on the information provided in the application form.

1. Regular Applicant Category

A minimum of 23 of the 29 positions available in the first year dental program will be allocated to applicants in the Regular Applicant Category. This category will be selected from all applicants whose personal or academic backgrounds do not qualify them for inclusion within any of the other two categories.

a) Academic Requirements

Applicants will be required to complete the academic requirements as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements and Section 4: Selection Process.

b) Canadian Dental Aptitude Test

Applicants will be required to write the Canadian English DAT as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 2. Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT). Applicants will be expected to have attained the minimum scores and average by the deadline date of application (see Section 4: Selection Process, C. The Results of the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT) and Section 4: Selection Process, D. Selection of Applicants for Interview, Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category)

c) Autobiographical Sketch

Applicants must submit an autobiographical sketch, not exceeding 800 words, which includes the specific reasons why the applicant merits consideration in this category, to be used as background information for the interview process. Applicants who reapply in this category must demonstrate in their autobiographical sketch evidence of an improvement or advancement in those qualities, experiences, and attributes which pertain to their consideration in this category.

d) Proof of Canadian Indigenous status

Applicants are required to submit documentation (status card, Manitoba Metis Federation membership card or equivalent), or a letter of verification from their community at the time of application.

2. Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category

A maximum of two positions in the first year dental program may be allocated to applicants from the Indigenous populations of Canada in the Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category.

Not all positions may be filled in this category due to the competitive nature of all categories.

a) Academic Requirements

Applicants will be required to complete the academic requirements as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements and Section 4: Selection Process with the option of academic requirement completion within the University of Manitoba Health Careers Access Program.

b) Canadian Dental Aptitude Test

Applicants will be required to write the Canadian English DAT as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 2. Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT). Applicants will be expected to have attained the minimum scores and average by the deadline date of application (see Section 4: Selection Process, C. The Results of the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT) and Section 4: Selection Process, D. Selection of Applicants for Interview, Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category)

c) Autobiographical Sketch

Applicants must submit an autobiographical sketch, not exceeding 800 words, which includes the specific reasons why the applicant merits consideration in this category, to be used as background information for the interview process. Applicants who reapply in this category must demonstrate in their autobiographical sketch evidence of an improvement or advancement in those qualities, experiences, and attributes which pertain to their consideration in this category.

d) Proof of Canadian Indigenous status

Applicants are required to submit documentation (status card, Manitoba Metis Federation membership card or equivalent), or a letter of verification from their community at the time of application.
e) Interview

Eligible applicants will be interviewed by a single panel to include one Indigenous member using a non-structured interview format. The interview will last a maximum of 45 minutes. Government issued photo ID must be presented at time of interview.

3. Special Applicant Category

A maximum of six positions in the first year program may be allocated to the combined Canadian Indigenous Applicant and Special Applicant Categories, with a maximum of two positions being allocated to the Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category.

Not all positions may be filled in this category due to the competitive nature of all categories.

The Special Applicant Category will consist of applicants who:

1. hold a Master or PhD degree or who have successfully completed all requirements to hold a Master or PhD degree at time of application. Preference will be given to applicants holding Master or PhD degrees that have been obtained in a health related field, or

2. have recent work experience in areas acceptable to the Committee as relevant to the health sciences.

a) Academic Requirements

Applicants who hold a Master or PhD degree, or have had recent work experience will be required to complete the academic requirements as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements and Section 4: Selection Process. Transcript declaring completion of degree or letter of confirmation from their university stating all requirements of degree have been met.

b) Canadian Dental Aptitude Test

Applicants will be required to write the Canadian English DAT as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 2. Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT). Applicants will be expected to have attained the minimum scores and average by the deadline date of application. (see Section 4: Selection Process, C. The Results of the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT) and Section 4: Selection Process, D. Selection of Applicants for Interview, 3. Special Applicant Category)

c) Autobiographical Sketch

Applicants must submit an autobiographical sketch, not exceeding 800 words, which includes the specific reasons why the applicant merits consideration in this category, to be used as background information for the interview process. Applicants who reapply in this category must demonstrate in their autobiographical sketch evidence of an improvement or advancement in those qualities, experiences, and attributes which pertain to their consideration in this category.

d) Interview

Eligible applicants will be interviewed by a single panel using a non-structured interview format. The interview will last a maximum of 45 minutes. Government issued photo ID must be presented at time of interview.

Note: Applicants who hold a dental degree from outside of Canada may obtain a dental degree from the University of Manitoba through completion of the International Dentist Degree Program (IDDP). For general inquiries contact:

International Dentist Degree Program
Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry,
University of Manitoba
D113-780 Bannatyne
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, R3E 0W2
Tel: 204-977-5611
Email: jean.lyon@umanitoba.ca

http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/health_sciences/dentistry/index.html

Section 3: Application Process & Deadlines

A. Application Fee

Canadian / Permanent Residents: $100.00*

* See Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, B. Canadian Residency
Applications are not considered received until the application is submitted and the application fee has been paid by the posted deadline. All correspondence, including decision release information will be sent via email and posted to your application portal.

Please ensure your email account remains current and will accept emails from the University of Manitoba. Check your filters.

It is important to check your email and application portal regularly and specifically around the deadlines and important dates listed below.

B. Deadlines and Important Dates

1. All Applicants

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<td>September 15, 2020</td>
<td>Last date of registration for the November DAT</td>
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<td>November 26, 2020</td>
<td>All applicants must have written a valid DAT by this date</td>
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<td>TBD</td>
<td>Last date of registration for the February DAT</td>
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<td>January 15, 2021</td>
<td>Last date for receipt of application and application fee</td>
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<td>February 1, 2021</td>
<td>Last date to submit proof of English proficiency (if applicable)</td>
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<td>Last date to submit proof of Canadian Citizenship / Permanent Resident Status (if applicable)</td>
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<td>Last date to submit the self-declaration and abilities forms</td>
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<td>Last date for receipt of Official transcripts for all post-secondary study (If currently in studies, proof of registration must be submitted by this date in addition to official transcripts showing all previously completed coursework)</td>
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<td>Last date for receipt of all DAT score reports that were listed on the application form</td>
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<td>February 2021</td>
<td>February DAT test sitting (if applicable)</td>
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<td>End of March, 2021</td>
<td>Applicants will be contacted via email regarding the selection for interview decisions</td>
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2. Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category

In addition to the above deadlines, applicants to the Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category are required to meet the following deadlines:

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<td>Last date to submit Autobiographical Sketch</td>
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<td>Last date to submit proof of Canadian Indigenous status</td>
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3. Special Applicant Category

In addition to the above deadlines, applicants to the Special Applicant Category are required to meet the following deadlines:

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<td>Last date to submit Autobiographical Sketch</td>
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4. Applicant selected for Interview

In addition to the above deadlines, applicants that are granted an interview are required to meet the following deadlines:

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<td>End of April, 2021</td>
<td>Interviews will be held for selected applicants</td>
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<td>June 1, 2021</td>
<td>Last date for receipt of Final Official transcripts for courses taken in 2020-2021. All deferred exams and grade appeals must be completed and final grades submitted.</td>
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<td>Last date for receipt of February 2021 DAT scores (if applicable)</td>
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<td>End of June, 2021</td>
<td>Admissions decisions will be posted to student’s application portals. Offers of admission are time sensitive and require the applicant’s response within a short period of time.</td>
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C. Required Application Documentation

The following documents will be required to complete your application:

- **Interim official transcripts** showing all previously completed course work and current registration are to be submitted when applying or shortly after. Transcripts from any university or college attended other than University of Manitoba are required (including exchange, transfer and letter of permission).

- **Final official transcripts** from any university or college attended other than University of Manitoba are required (including exchange, transfer and letter of permission). Student copies or photocopies are not acceptable. Transcripts become the property of University of Manitoba and will not be returned.

- **Advanced Placement (AP) / International Baccalaureate (IB)** official transcripts must be submitted if being used in the application process for the AGPA or to meet application requirements (see Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 1. Completed Coursework).

**Note:** It is the applicant’s responsibility to inform the Admissions Office in writing of any deferred exams or grade changes. All final grades, including grade changes must be submitted to the Admissions Office by the document deadline in order for them to be included in the final selection process.

- **DAT scores** must be released to the University of Manitoba

- **Proof of Canadian Citizenship, Permanent Residence or Refugee Status** is required if born outside of Canada. This can be a pdf document uploaded to the online application before application submission.

- **Name change documentation** is required if name change has occurred as a result of marriage, divorce or other reason.

- **Applicants to the Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category** are required to submit documentation (status card, Manitoba Metis Federation membership card or equivalent), or a letter of verification from their community at the time of application.

- **Autobiographical sketch** (if applicable)

- **Proof of proficiency in the use of the English language** (see Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, C. English Language Proficiency Requirements)

Please send all documentation to the following address:

**Admission for Dentistry**
**University of Manitoba**
**424 UMSU University Centre**
**66 Chancellors Circle**
**Winnipeg, MB R3T 2N2**

Electronic transcripts should be submitted to Applicant.Services@umanitoba.ca *

*In the event that you are not able to provide an official transcript (for example, if the issuing office at your university or college is closed due to COVID-19), the University of Manitoba will accept an electronic transcript provided that it has been sent directly from the email of the office responsible for issuing transcripts. Applicants who submit their documents electronically may be requested to provide original, physical copies at a later date.

- **Self-Declaration form and Essential Skills form** are required of all applicants. The forms can be found as a pdf in the online application. This form must be submitted via email to Jean.Lyon@umanitoba.ca by the document deadline.

Applications are not complete until all necessary documents are received. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that our office receives all required information.

D. Required Admission Documentation

All successful applicants to the Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry are required to submit the following:

**Immunization Requirements**

All candidates who are offered a position in the incoming class must provide an up to date
immunization record in order to register and attend classes.

Each applicant offered admission will receive a link to the fillable pdf immunization document which must be completed and returned to the Immunization Program Office prior to registration in the program.

Prospective students should refer to and be familiar with the College’s Infectious Diseases Policy Statement on the College’s website


Any student applicant with an infectious disease should either delay their application to the program or disclose this information upon being accepted into the Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry. Should a student who has been accepted into the program but has been found to be unable to meet the College’s Infectious Disease policy requirements, every effort will be made to accommodate the student until the guidelines are met. In some cases, it may be necessary to suspend or terminate the student from the program if it is shown that the policy guidelines are unable to be met.

**Adult Criminal Record and Child and Adult Abuse Registry Checks**

An adult criminal record and child abuse and adult abuse registries self-declaration will be required of all applicants. Official adult criminal record check is required for all admitted students by the time of registration, and annually thereafter in accordance with existing policies of other health, education and social services programs at the University of Manitoba. Applicants will need to comply with any University policy on criminal record and abuse checks that may be in effect as of the time of registration. Official adult and child abuse registry checks will be applied for through the College on the first day of class.

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### Section 4: Selection Process

**A. Citizenship and Residence**

The Admissions Committee gives priority to Manitoba applicants. The University of Manitoba defines Manitoba applicants as those who:

- have graduated from a Manitoba high school; or
- prior to application, have a recognized degree from a university in Manitoba; or
- prior to application, have completed a minimum of two consecutive years of full-time academic studies in a recognized program at a university in Manitoba, while physically residing in Manitoba; or
- prior to application have been a resident in the Province of Manitoba for a minimum of two (2) years following high school; the two year residence period will not be considered broken where the Admissions Committee is satisfied that the applicant was temporarily out of the province on vacation, in short-term volunteer work or employment, or as a full time student.

A minimum of 25 of the 29 positions in the first year dental program will be allocated to Manitobans. In any deliberations, the closing date of applications is to be regarded as the official date governing the determination of a candidate’s citizenship or residence status.

**B. Calculation of the Adjusted Grade Point Average (AGPA)**

**Applicants with two years of pre-dental studies:**

\[
\text{AGPA} = \frac{(2 \times \text{average on the CORE courses}) + (1 \times \text{average on lowest year}) + (3 \times \text{average on best year})}{6}
\]
Applicants with three or more years of pre-dental studies:

\[ \text{(2 x the average on the CORE courses)} \]
PLUS
\[ \text{(0 x the average on lowest year)} \]
PLUS
\[ \text{(3 x the average on best year)} \]
PLUS
\[ \text{(1 x the average on each remaining full academic year of studies)} \]
DIVIDED BY SIX (or seven or eight etc., as appropriate)

**NOTES: Relating to AGPA Calculation**

a. It is the applicant’s responsibility to inform the Admissions Office in writing of any deferred exams or grade changes. All final grades, including grade changes must be submitted to the Admissions Office by the document deadline in order for them to be included in the final selection process. Grade changes will not be accepted after the documentation deadline date. If a grade is not available by the documentation deadline date, an ‘F’ grade will be used in the final admission determination and calculation.

b. The grades from a minimum of 24 new credit hours (never previously taken) per regular Fall/Winter session (September - April) must be submitted for a year’s average to be included in the ranking process.

c. Courses graded “Satisfactory”, “Pass/Fail” will be excluded from the Core Avg, the AGPA and the sessional credit hour count and will not be considered for meeting any of the admissions requirements.

d. Upon written submission at time of application Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate (AP/IB) courses can be used to fulfil core course requirements. However AP/IB courses shall not be used to fulfil the minimum new credit hour requirement (see Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, A. Academic Requirements, 1. Completed Coursework, b).

e. Six credit hours of core courses (the equivalent of one full year course) may be repeated and the higher grade[s] obtained will be used only in the core course average computation. If more than six credit hours of core courses are repeated (the equivalent of one full year course), all additional grades will be averaged in the core average computation only.

f. An applicant, upon written submission at the time of application, may request the elimination of grades completed at least eight years prior to the commencement of a more recently completed program of studies for the purpose of calculating the Adjusted Grade Point Average. All academic requirements, as stipulated in Section 2: Eligibility Requirements, must be met in the more recently completed program of studies.

C. The Results of the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT)

In the interview selection process applicants will not be considered for admission if they have, in the best Canadian English DAT score a PAT score of less than 14.

Only the average of the Reading Comprehension, Biology, Chemistry and PAT scores (DAT average) from the single best Canadian English DAT of the last three years will be used in the calculation of the overall score.

D. Selection of Applicants for Interview

1. Regular Applicant Category

a) Core Course Average

In order to be considered for an interview, an applicant must demonstrate a minimum core course average, as determined by the Committee. In the past three years, the minimum core course averages for Manitoba applicants were: 3.70 (2020) 3.60 (2019) 3.60 (2018). In the past three years, the minimum core course averages for out of province applicants were: 3.85 (2020) 3.80 (2019) 3.80 (2018). These averages may change from year to year depending on the competitive nature of the applicant pool.

b) Canadian Dental Aptitude Test

In order to be considered for an interview, an applicant must demonstrate a minimum DAT average (average of the Reading Comprehension, Biology, Chemistry and PAT scores), as determined by the Committee. In the past three years, the minimum DAT averages for
Manitoba applicants were: 18.75 (2020) 18.50 (2019) 18.50 (2018). In the past three years, the minimum DAT averages for out of province applicants were: 22.50 (2020) 21.75 (2019) 22.00 (2018). These averages may change from year to year depending on the competitive nature of the applicant pool.

2. Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category

a) Core Course Average

In order to be considered for an interview, an applicant must demonstrate a minimum core course average, as determined by the Committee. Preference will be given to Manitoba applicants. In the past three years, the minimum core course averages were: 3.25 (2020) 3.35 (2019) 3.35 (2018). These averages may change from year to year depending on the competitive nature of the applicant pool.

b) Canadian Dental Aptitude Test

In order to be considered for an interview, an applicant must demonstrate a minimum DAT average (average of the Reading Comprehension, Biology, Chemistry and PAT scores), as determined by the Committee. In the past three years the minimum DAT averages were: 18.50 (2020) 18.50 (2019) 18.50 (2018). These averages may change from year to year depending on the competitive nature of the applicant pool.

Offers for interview will be granted based on the core courses average, Canadian DAT scores and information derived from the autobiographical sketch, in combination with the competitive nature of the applicant pool within this applicant category.

NOTE: Selection decisions in this category are necessarily subjective; decision rationale is neither recorded nor provided to the applicant.

3. Special Applicant Category

a) Core Course Average

In order to be considered for an interview, an applicant must demonstrate a minimum core course average, as determined by the Committee. Preference will be given to Manitoba applicants. In the past three years, the minimum core course averages were: 3.35 (2020) 3.35 (2019) 3.35 (2018). These averages may change from year to year depending on the competitive nature of the applicant pool.

b) Canadian Dental Aptitude Test

In order to be considered for an interview, an applicant must demonstrate a minimum DAT average (average of the Reading Comprehension, Biology, Chemistry and PAT scores), as determined by the Committee. In the past three years the minimum DAT averages were: 18.50 (2020) 18.50 (2019) 18.50 (2018). These averages may change from year to year depending on the competitive nature of the applicant pool.

Offers for interview will be granted based on the core courses average, Canadian DAT scores and information derived from the autobiographical sketch, in combination with the competitive nature of the applicant pool within this applicant category.

NOTE: Selection decisions in this category are necessarily subjective; decision rationale is neither recorded nor provided to the applicant.

E. Final Selection

1. Regular Applicant Category

Applicants from the Regular Applicant Category are rank-ordered by an overall score based on the equal weighting of the Adjusted Grade Point Average (AGPA) (as of June 1st of the year of application), the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (DAT) scores, and the interview scores. A minimum of 23 applicants will be accepted in this category.

2. Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category

A maximum of two applicants may be accepted in this category based on information gathered in the interview process in conjunction with academic standing (as of June 1st of the year of application) and Canadian DAT performances.

Note: Admissions decisions in this category are necessarily subjective; decision rationale is neither recorded nor provided to the applicant.

3. Special Applicant Category

A maximum of six applicants in the first year program will be accepted to the combined Canadian Indigenous Applicant and Special Applicant Categories, with a maximum of two applicants being accepted to the Canadian Indigenous Applicant Category. Acceptance in
this category is based on information gathered in the interview process in conjunction with academic standing (as of June 1st of the year of application) and the Canadian DAT performances. Positions unfilled will be made available to the Regular Applicant Category. **Note:** Admissions decisions in this category are necessarily subjective; decision rationale is neither recorded nor provided to the applicant.

**F. The Committee for Selection in Dentistry**

The Committee for Selection in Dentistry consists of:
- Dean or Designate
- Three Dental College members elected
- Two Dental students appointed by the Dental Students’ Association
- Staff member from the Dean’s Office
- One Science Faculty member appointed annually by the Dean of Science
- One Science student appointed annually by the Science Students’ Council/Association
- Director of Enrolment Services (Admissions) or Designate
- Admissions Officer assigned to Dentistry
- Director of Counselling Services or Designate
- One Faculty member from Brandon University appointed annually by the President of Brandon University
- One Faculty member from the University of Winnipeg appointed annually by the President of the University of Winnipeg
- One representative from the Manitoba Dental Association appointed annually by the Board of the Manitoba Dental Association
- One member of the community appointed annually by the Dean

**G. Tie Breaking Procedure for Offers**

In the event of a tie, the following procedure will be used:

1. Increase the number of significant figures used in the calculation.
2. Where a tie still exists, the application that was received first will be used to break the tie. All completed applications are time stamped upon submission; in the case of a paper application, these applications will be time stamped after they have been entered into the system by a University of Manitoba Admissions Office staff member.

**H. Notification of Decision**

Decisions will be posted to the applicant’s portal. Applicants must log into their application portal to view the decision and to accept or decline their offer. If the offer is not accepted and the subsequent deposit paid by the deadline date indicated in the letter, the offer will lapse. Lapsed offers will be considered a declined response. It is imperative that emails and application portals are regularly checked.

Applicants offered admission will have 5 business days to respond and will be required to pay a non-refundable deposit of $1000.00 to indicate their acceptance of the offer. This deposit will be credited to first year fees or forfeited if the applicant subsequently declines.

**I. The Incoming Class of 2020**

In 2020, of the 245 applications received for the first year Dentistry class of 29 students, 90 applicants were short listed and granted an interview.

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**Section 5: Reconsideration & Appeals**

Individuals who wish to have their applications reconsidered should submit their request to the Chair of the Selection Committee. Past experience has shown that most inquiries can be satisfied at this level without further reference. Persons wishing reconsideration of the decision of the Selection Committee shall direct their request to the Chair in writing within ten (10) business days of the posted decision date (see Section 8: Contact Information for Faculty contact).

Should the student wish to pursue the reconsideration decision of the Selection Committee further, such an appeal will be made in accordance with the Senate Committee on Admission Appeals Procedures. [http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/students/admission_appeals.html](http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/students/admission_appeals.html)

Applicants are advised that appeals of reconsideration decisions by the Senate Admissions Appeal Committee focus on questions of correct adherence to published policies and procedures by the Committee of Selection,
and NOT on subjective issues or the relative merits of the application.

Section 6: Counselling of Applicants

The Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry and Admissions Office are able to assist applicants who seek counselling regarding admission to the Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry. However, it is policy not to instruct applicants as to a specific course of action they should follow, but rather to provide the information needed for applicants to make their own choice with respect to the alternatives available. The following points require special attention:

1. Applicants are encouraged to discuss their plans with all who can usefully advise them, but they should be aware that second and third hand information about admission policies may not be accurate.

2. No official at the university can guarantee the admission of any applicant. Admission is determined by the Committee on the basis of an annual competition.

3. All applicants are advised to supplement any personal enquiries with a written request so that an official written response can be made. It is only these written responses which will be considered as evidence of any advice given (see Section 8: Contact Information).

Section 7: Student Accessibility

The University of Manitoba is committed to providing all students equal access to learning opportunities. If you are a student with a diagnosed disability (permanent, chronic, or temporary) who may require academic accommodations, please contact Student Accessibility Services at 204-474-7423 or by email at student_accessibility@umanitoba.ca to learn more about the confidential supports that are available. http://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/accessibility

Section 8: Contact Information

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