INTERNATIONAL DENTIST PROGRAM — D.D.S.

The International Dentist Program, founded by Dr. Lloyd Baum in 1985, is designed to allow qualified dentists educated in countries outside the United States to earn a Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.) degree in the United States. More than 486 students from eighty-one countries have graduated from the program.

The D.D.S. degree from a U.S. dental college is an educational requirement for eligibility to take the dental licensure examination in many states. The program has a minimum length of two academic years (twenty-four calendar months); but it may be extended, when necessary, to meet the needs of a particular student.

Regulations

The student is also subject to the conditions of registration, attendance, financial policy, governing practices, and graduation requirements outlined in Section II (http://llucatalog.llu.edu/about-university/academic-policies-information) and in the School of Dentistry (http://llucatalog.llu.edu/dentistry/#academicinformationtext) general information in Section III of this CATALOG.

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Admissions

Applications are available online at <http://www.adea.org/>. Requests for information are accepted by e-mail or telephone.

Admission requirements

- Dental degree from a recognized international dental school.
- Successful completion of the National Dental Board Examination, Part I and Part II.
- TOEFL examination, with a minimum score of twenty (20) in each area of the Internet-based examination.
- Dental school transcript (evaluated by an LLU-approved organization).

Other documentation is required, as outlined in the application. A nonrefundable application fee of $100 is required with the application and accompanying documentation between March 1 and July 1. All application material sent to the Office of Admissions becomes the property of the school.

Students currently enrolled in a similar program at another university are not eligible to apply and will not be accepted for admission.

Application procedure

1. CAAPID application. The Centralized Application for Advanced Placement for International Dentists (CAAPID) application is completed online by the applicant at <http://www.adea.org/>. It takes approximately 4 weeks for CAAPID applications to be processed and sent to the dental school where the applicant has applied.

2. Supplemental application. The applicant then receives an email invitation from LLU to complete an electronic supplemental application.

3. Supplemental application deadline. The applicant must return the completed supplemental application and materials within thirty (30) days. This includes an essay specific to Loma Linda University, a photograph, and the application fee of $150.

4. Transcripts. Official transcripts and diploma or certificate with English translations and documentation of all postsecondary education must be mailed directly to LLU from all colleges/universities attended by the student. If the dental education was received in India, transcripts must be sent directly from the University and not the dental school college.

5. Official Foreign educational credential evaluation report (course by course evaluation) mailed directly from WES, ECE, or AACRAO; links available at www.llu.edu/apply/intltrans.html

6. Non-English Language Documents. Must be submitted in their original language along with an English translation.

7. NBDE. Official score report of the National Dental Board Examination, Part I and Part II (School code #10) mailed directly to LLU from ADA.

8. TOEFL. Official score report of the TOEFL exam (School code #4062) mailed directly from ETS.

9. Language. All classes are conducted in English, and patients treated in the clinic communicate in English. Applicants must demonstrate competence in both written and spoken English.

10. References. Two letters of recommendation, preferably from former teachers or mentors who can attest to applicant’s character, conduct, and professional ability. Members of the applicant’s family are excluded from writing the required letters of reference, although letters will be accepted for the file in addition to those required. Letters should be sent directly to CAAPID.

11. Photograph. A recent passport size photograph uploaded through your supplemental application.

12. Deadline. To be considered, the CAAPID and LLU applications and all required documents must arrive at the School of Dentistry Office of Admissions by July 1. All documents sent to Loma Linda become property of LLU.

13. Selection process
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• Screening: Completed applications submitted before the application deadline will first be evaluated by the Office of Admissions.

• Admissions testing: Testing is conducted one or more Sundays in the fall.

• Interview: Based on Admissions testing, applicants may be invited to interview.

• Final selection: The applicant’s admissions testing results, interview and application file, are presented to the School of Dentistry Admissions Committee for final selection. Twenty-four (24) applicants are accepted each year for enrollment in the International Dentist Program which begins in the Spring term.

14. Deposits. A student accepted into the International Dentist Program must submit a deposit of $4,000 USD to Loma Linda University within 30 days of acceptance. Deposits become part of the first term’s tuition. Failure to submit this deposit will result in the loss of the applicant’s position in the class.

15. Financial requirement. Students applying for or holding F-1 U.S. student visas are required by U.S. immigration regulation to pay for the first year’s tuition and fees and provide documented evidence of sufficient funds for their second year prior to enrolling. For students eligible for government-sponsored financial aid programs, only the first term tuition is required at the initial registration.

16. Financial aid. A financial aid advisor and financial aid programs are available. Applicants should contact the Office of Financial Aid at e-mail <finaid@llu.edu>; or by telephone, 909/558-4509.

Web site information can be obtained at <llu.edu/central/ssweb/finaid>.

17. Pre-entrance health requirements/immunizations. It is expected that necessary routine dental and medical care will have been attended to before the student registers. New students are required to have certain immunizations and tests before registration. Forms to document the required immunizations are provided for the physician in the registration information made available electronically to the student by LLU. In order to avoid having a hold placed on registration, the student is encouraged to return the documentation forms to Student Health Service no later than six weeks prior to the beginning of classes.

For a complete list of required immunizations and tests, see Section II of this CATALOG under the heading "Health Care." Documentation verifying compliance with this requirement must be provided before registration can be completed.

For further information, consult the Student Handbook, Section V—University Policies—Communicable disease transmission prevention policy; or contact the Student Health Service office at 909/558-8770.

If a returning student is assigned to a clinical facility that requires a tuberculosis skin test, the student is required to have the test within the six months before the assignment begins.

Students in the International Dentist Program have the same benefits, including health-care coverage, as are described elsewhere in this CATALOG.

Program requirements

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IDPR 762  Removable Prosthodontics II  11  33  44  2.0
IDPR 763  Removable Prosthodontics III  11  33  44  2.0
IDPR 771  Fixed Prosthodontics I  11  33  44  2.0
IDPR 773  Advanced Prosthodontics for IDP  11  33  44  2.0
IDPR 803  Operative Dentistry III  11  33  44  2.0
IDPR 854  Implant Dentistry for the IDP Student  22  44  66  3.0
ORDN 801  Minor Tooth Movement  18  16  34  2.0
PEDN 821  Pediatric Dentistry II  12  12  1.0

Fourth Year
DNE 816  Practice Management I for IDP Students  20  20  2.0
DNE 818  Practice Management II for IDP Students  20  20  2.0
IDPC 835  General Clinics  570  570  19.0
IDPC 845  General Clinics - Direct Patient Care  540  540  18.0
IDPO 534  Oral Medicine: Orofacial Pain and TMD  22  22  2.0
IDPO 728  Patient Diagnosis and Treatment Planning II  20  20  2.0
IDPO 821  Clinical Management of the Older Adult  10  10  1.0
IDPR 704  Introduction to Occlusion  22  22  2.0
IDPR 772  Fixed Prosthodontics II  11  33  44  2.0
ORDN 811  Principles of Orthodontics II  11  11  1.0
RELE 734  Christian Ethics for Dentists  20  20  2.0
REL 749  Marriage and Family Wholeness  20  20  2.0
RELT 717  Christian Beliefs and Life  20  20  2.0

Total Units  636  691  1638  2965  132

1  This course may be taken in the third or fourth year.
2  Course for IDP students offered in odd-numbered years

Normal time to complete the program
2 years at LLU—full-time enrollment required

International Dentist Program/General Courses
IDPG 700  Review of General Dentistry. 8-12 Units.
Remedial course that reviews the basic skills in cavity preparation for alloys and aesthetic restorations, occlusion, and single-casting restorations.

IDPG 718  Communication Basics for the International Student. 1 Unit.
Student develops interpersonal competencies in the various professional communication roles expected of a dentist. Topics include team building, cross-cultural communication, dental fears and phobias, mental illness, and behavior change.

IDPG 845  Evidence-Based Dentistry. 2 Units.
Scientific methods in dental research. Includes critical evaluation of published articles, research design, statistical analysis, evaluation of results, design of research reports, extensive reviews of various topics.

IDPC 825  General Clinics. 15 Units.
Includes direct patient care through rotations in urgent care, pediatric, service learning, and screening blocks. Requires registrations Autumn and Winter quarters of the IDP3 year to fulfill the total units.

IDPC 835  General Clinics - Direct Patient Care. 18 Units.
Includes direct patient care through rotations in urgent care, pediatric, service learning, and screening blocks.

IDPC 845  General Clinics - Direct Patient Care. 18 Units.
Includes direct patient care.
International Dentist Program/Oral Pathology Courses

IDPO 534. Oral Medicine: Orofacial Pain and TMD. 2 Units.
Differential diagnosis of orofacial and temporomandibular joint pain, including basic guidelines for initial therapy. Utilizes TMD patient cases for group and class discussions. Introduces diagnosis and treatment of neuropathic pain and headaches. Case presentations focus on nonodontogenic pain that presents as toothache and/or gingival pain. Offered Winter Quarter of odd-numbered years for IDP3 and IDP4 students.

IDPO 535. Oral Pathology and Diagnosis. 3 Units.
Graduate-level survey of pathology. Studies developmental, infectious, immunologic, neoplastic, and metabolic disorders of the head and neck. Includes epidemiology, etiology, clinical and/or radiographic features, microscopic features, and management of disease. Emphasizes differential diagnosis and management of dental lesions.

IDPO 720. Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology for the IDP Program. 2 Units.
Emphasizes the integral role played by the radiographic examination in the diagnostic process in dentistry, in conjunction with the clinical examination. Reinforces the basic principles of oral and maxillofacial radiology.

IDPO 723. Patient Assessment and Data Management I. 2 Units.
Introduces students to all portions of the comprehensive oral evaluation—including medical/dental history interview, patient examination, and data management. Introduces and uses the problem-orientated record in diagnosis and treatment planning. Includes supervised clinical experience with fellow students as patients. Student provides a comprehensive oral evaluation of a classmate, which provides the basis for a comprehensive treatment plan.

IDPO 725. Patient Assessment and Data Management II. 2 Units.
Builds on IDPO 723 by continuing physical evaluation, data collection, and the problem-oriented dental record. Supervised clinical experience with fellow students as "patients." Student develops a treatment plan and presents it to the patient. Continued computer-based treatment plan management.

IDPO 726. Patient Diagnosis and Treatment Planning. 2 Units.
Discusses treatment options in treatment planning, with case-based treatment planning exercises. Introduces computer-based treatment plan management.

IDPO 728. Patient Diagnosis and Treatment Planning II. 2 Units.
Additional concepts of diagnosis and treatment planning, treatment plan presentation, and patient consent. Indications and processes for limited and periodic evaluations. Case-based, small-group treatment planning exercises.

IDPO 821. Clinical Management of the Older Adult. 1 Unit.
Instruction in the multidisciplinary medical and dental assessment and management of older adults. Includes clinical experience in a multidisciplinary team setting.

IDPO 826. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. 2 Units.
Reviews oral and maxillofacial surgery—including medical history pharmacology, instrumentation, procedures, dental emergencies, and complications. Includes a laboratory component.

IDPO 827. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. 2 Units.

International Dentist Program/Periodontics and Pediatric Dentistry Courses

IDPP 754. Fundamentals of Periodontics. 2 Units.
Overview of clinical periodontics—including etiology of periodontal disease, oral hygiene instruction, scaling, root planing, antimicrobial therapy, and a variety of surgical concepts and techniques. Anticipated results of therapy, including options of surgical versus nonsurgical approaches. Includes a laboratory component.

IDPP 755. Pediatric Dentistry Clinic—IDP. 1 Unit.
Dental care of children in their primary, fixed, and young permanent dentition. Etiology of disease, prevention of oral disease, growth-and-development analysis, treatment planning, restorative procedures, and arch length control.

IDPP 756. Pediatric Dentistry. 2 Units.

IDPP 756L. Pediatric Dentistry Laboratory. 1 Unit.
Technique course that accompanies IDPP 756. Student performs operative procedures for amalgam and composite resin on simulated primary and young permanent teeth. Student performs pulpotomies on primary molar teeth and prepares primary teeth for stainless steel, open-faced stainless steel, and resin crowns. Fabricates unilateral and bilateral space maintainers.

IDPP 759. Periodontal Therapy. 2 Units.
Variation in periodontal diseases related to differing host conditions, including: age, hormones, habits, drugs, genetics, nutrition, stress, systemic disease, iatrogenic factors, trauma from occlusion, and endodontic interrelationships. Overview of surgical periodontal procedures and their roles, limitations, and effects. Surgery outcomes compared with short- and long-range effects of conservative therapy (with and without maintenance care, including effect of adjunctive chemical plaque control). Role of dental health-care providers in periodontal therapy. Special problems in periodontal care.

International Dentist Program/Restorative Courses

IDPR 701. Operative Dentistry I. 2 Units.
Reviews the basic principles and techniques used in cavity preparation and restoration of teeth with silver alloy. Lecture and laboratory course.

IDPR 702. Operative Dentistry II. 2 Units.
Extends basic principles and techniques of cavity preparation and restoration of teeth with aesthetic restorative materials. Studies the source, use, and manipulation of dental materials and their physical properties relative to dentistry. Lecture and laboratory course.

IDPR 704. Introduction to Occlusion. 2 Units.
Studies the temporomandibular joint, muscles of mastication, and the teeth in static and dynamic positions.
IDPR 750. Dental Materials. 2 Units.
Reviews current dental materials, with evidence-based dentistry.

IDPR 761. Removable Prosthodontics I. 2 Units.
Reviews the basic clinical and laboratory removable prosthodontic procedures involved in the fabrication of removable prosthesis. Includes a laboratory component.

IDPR 762. Removable Prosthodontics II. 2 Units.
Reviews the laboratory phases of diagnosing, planning treatment for CD, immediate CD, and relines. Includes a laboratory component.

IDPR 763. Removable Prosthodontics III. 2 Units.
Biomechanics of removable partial dentures and their design and fabrication. Diagnosis and treatment planning for removable partial dentures. Clinical and laboratory procedures and sequencing of treatment for removable partial and complete dentures. Lecture and laboratory course.

IDPR 771. Fixed Prosthodontics I. 2 Units.
Reviews basic tooth preparation for single-casting restorations, tissue management, impression techniques, and temporary restorations. Lecture and laboratory course.

IDPR 772. Fixed Prosthodontics II. 2 Units.
Reviews the basic design and fabrication of multiple unit fixed partial denture, tissue management, impression techniques, and temporary restorations—including single units and fixed partial dentures. Lecture and laboratory course.

IDPR 773. Advanced Prosthodontics for IDP. 2 Units.
Introduces CAD/CAM restoration and laser use in dentistry. Course includes a laboratory component.

IDPR 801. Fixed Prosthodontics III. 2 Units.
Indications, treatment planning, and design of partial coverage metal castings. Introduces additional techniques for fixed prosthodontics. Lecture and laboratory.

IDPR 803. Operative Dentistry III. 2 Units.
Indications, preparations, and placement of the direct and indirect veneer, atypical cast gold, posterior, partial-coverage porcelain restorations, and WREB-type restorations. Lecture and laboratory course.

IDPR 854. Implant Dentistry for the IDP Student. 3 Units.
Scientific and technical foundation for implant surgery and expansion of basic implant procedures. Postplacement care, long-term maintenance, and clinical complications associated with dental implants. Emphasizes restoration of single implants, multiple quadrant posterior implants, and over-denture implants. Lecture and laboratory course.