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## University of Michigan School of Dentistry Fact Sheet

### What is University of Michigan (UM) School of Dentistry's (SOD) mission statement?

"Advancing health through education, service, research, and discovery."

### Where can I find additional information about UM SOD?

- UM SOD Website: <http://www.dent.umich.edu>
- ADEA Official Guide to Dental Schools 2015-2016 (can be borrowed from the CLAS Advising Center, or ordered online: <http://www.adea.org/publications/Pages/OfficialGuide.aspx> )

### What are the admission statistics?

- Number applied: **1,874** (2015)
- Number interviewed: **319** (2014)
- Number of students in the class: **109** (2015) (63 in-state, 45 out-of-state in 2014)

### What DAT score and GPA do I need to be competitive?

<b>2015 DAT scores of accepted UM SOD applicants:</b>	<b>2015 GPA of accepted UM SOD applicants:</b>	
<b>Academic Average</b> Mean 21	<b>Overall GPA</b> Mean: 3.59	<b>Science GPA</b> Mean: 3.46 (2014)
<b>Perceptual Ability</b> Mean: 20 (2014)	<b>Total Science</b> Mean: 20 (2014)	
<i>When an applicant has submitted multiple DAT scores, UM SOD gives primary attention to the most recent set of scores available in admission review. Applications will NOT be reviewed without DAT scores.</i>		
<i>When calculating GPA, Dental schools will count all attempts of a course (i.e. repeated course grades are averaged)</i>		
<b>Other Requirements</b>		
<b>At least 100 hours of dentist job shadowing and/or dental volunteering is required.</b> UM SOD likes to see a variety of shadowing experiences, including those at general dentists' offices, community clinics, and specialist offices. Candidates who show a demonstrated interest in addressing health disparities or commitment to service and care for underserved communities are desirable.		
❖ Three semester hours of sociology are required in addition to typical prerequisites for dental schools.		

### What else do I need to do to be a competitive applicant to UM SOD?

Besides GPA and DAT scores, UM SOD evaluates a number of other factors and attributes, including:

- Communication Skills
- Time Management Skills
- Leadership Skills
- Evidence of Maturity
- Professionalism
- Demonstrated interest in:
  - Addressing health disparities
  - Commitment to service and care for underserved communities
- Job shadowing, community service, and other volunteer opportunities

## ***What do I need to know about applying to UM SOD?***

Like most dental schools, UM SOD uses **AADSAS** as their application server:

[http://www.adea.org/dental\\_education\\_pathways/aadsas/Applicants/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.adea.org/dental_education_pathways/aadsas/Applicants/Pages/default.aspx) The application deadline is **October 15<sup>th</sup>**.

UM SOD uses a **Multiple Mini Interview** format (MMI). There are 10 stations, each lasting 10 minutes.

Three **letters of recommendation** are required for admission to UM SOD. Two of the letters must be from science professors (preferably instructors with whom you've taken a basic science course, have given you a grade and can write about your academic qualities). The third letter can come from a non-science person (i.e. non-science professor, employer, or dentist). **Committee letters** are accepted in lieu of or in addition to the required letters.

**Tuition and Fees** for first year students in 2014-2015 are \$29,970 (in-state).

## ***What is it like to be a UM SOD student?***

UM SOD offers **15 areas of study**, including:

- Doctor of Dental Surgery
- Dental Hygiene
- Oral Health Sciences – PhD
- Biomaterials
- Endodontics
- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- Orthodontics
- Pediatric Dentistry
- Periodontics
- Prosthodontics
- Restorative Dentistry
- Computerized Dentistry
- General Practice Dentistry (Hospital Dentistry)

**Resources** available to UM SOD students include:

- Numerous student organizations
- Tutoring
- Academic counseling
- Community service opportunities
- Internships, externships, or extramural programs
- Mentoring
- Personal counseling
- Training for those interested in academic careers

### **For more information, contact UM SOD:**

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