Canadians: Study Dentistry in Australia
Do you want to study Dentistry at a top ranked Dental school in Australia?

If you are considering studying Dentistry, don’t limit your options. Consider the great opportunities to broaden your education internationally. You have the chance to pursue your dental studies with the School of Dentistry at The University of Adelaide, which is consistently ranked in the top 1% of universities worldwide.

Why choose Adelaide?
The University of Adelaide, School of Dentistry was established in 1920, and is one of the oldest and most distinguished dental schools in the Australian university sector. The School’s reputation for teaching, research, contribution to the community and the quality of its graduates have been built over a 92 year history of outstanding experience and achievement by a multicultural community of dedicated staff and talented students. Our teaching staff provide a supportive and collegial learning environment focused on ensuring positive student learning experiences and outcomes.

Students experience a variety of innovative, high quality and flexible learning approaches, including small groups for collaborative learning, case studies, integrated learning packages and clinical placements at metropolitan, rural and interstate venues. A new leading edge Dental Simulation Clinic, with a supporting Clinical Dental Education unit provides students with the opportunity to practise real-world patient care procedures in a technologically integrated environment.

Program Duration: 5 years (undergraduate entry)
The University of Adelaide, Bachelor of Dental Surgery is a highly rated Australian undergraduate program designed to prepare you for a career as a dentist. Further study provides the opportunity to train in a range of specialty areas. It is also a great way to fast track the start of your dental career in Canada!
The Adelaide dental program consists of one integrated stream in each year level. There is coordination of topics within and between the years. The dynamic curriculum is delivered using a case-based learning approach. The emphasis on contextual learning of relevant scientific information throughout the program occurs concurrently with the development of clinical skills, which are taught from day one.

Assessment involves written integrated exams at the end of each semester, as well as a Progressive Integrated Assessment at the end of each year. Continuous assessment of clinical, laboratory and ILA performance (including self and tutor assessment). Specified tests of understanding and other assignments are also assessable.

Recognition of your University of Adelaide Dental Degree to practice in Canada
In 2010, the Australian Dental Council and the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada came to a reciprocal agreement which allows accredited graduates of either body to practice dentistry in Australia or Canada. Essentially, it means Canadian students returning home with dentistry degrees earned in Australia can follow the same licensing process as Canadian domestic graduates. Full licensure is granted after successfully completing the National Exam administered by the Canadian National Dental Examining Board (NDEB). www.ndeb.ca/accredited
For Andy Won Jun Lee, a dentistry student at University of Adelaide, Australia, the reciprocal agreement made applying to study in Australia a priority. (see testimonial)

Potential careers
Career prospects in dentistry are good, with graduates able to register to practice as dentists anywhere in Australia, as well as several international locations. Most graduates first work prior to, or shortly after, graduation. Dentists can work in both private practice and in the public dental health system. Dentists employed in the public sector work in schools, universities, community health centres, mobile dental vans, hospitals and other institutions.

Bachelor of Dental Surgery graduates can also go on to graduate studies leading to specialisation in various fields, dental research or dental education.
Entry requirements

The DAT is not required. There is no need to sit the DAT for entry into the University of Adelaide Bachelor of Dental Surgery program. You will need to have a GPA of an equivalent minimum of 5.0 (based on a 7 point scale).

Selection process:
Selection will be based on three components:
- Performance in the PQA (Personal Qualities Assessment)
- Performance in a structured oral assessment
- Meeting the minimum academic threshold (including successful completion of pre-requisite subjects and English Language Requirements)

For further information regarding the use of PQA in our selection process and the structured Oral Assessment please refer to www.health.adelaide.edu.au/admissions

PQA testing in Canada
From 2013 PQA testing will be held in Vancouver and Toronto.
To find out more and to book your testing go to: www.adelaide.edu.au/study/international/apply

Oral Assessments are usually held in September/October each year.
Candidates will be ranked in consideration for an offer on their performance in the three components of the admissions process:
- Oral Assessment Results: First Ranking Level
- PQA Results: Second Ranking Level
- Academic Results: Threshold and Final Ranking Level if required

Preparing for study
Before attending clinical placement, you must provide proof of clearance in the following areas:
- Prescribed Communicable Infections (PCI) clearance
- TB screening
- Criminal history checks
- Student registration

For further information, visit www.health.adelaide.edu.au/current-students/clinical-placements

First Aid requirements
Students must provide evidence that they hold a current valid Senior First Aid / CPR certificate prior to commencing in the Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS). The preferred certificates are Senior First Aid Certificates issued by members of the Australian Resuscitation Council.

Professional registration
In order to be able to register as a dentist with the Dental Board of Australia, all applicants must be able to demonstrate English language skills at IELTS academic Level 7 or the equivalent. Refer to www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards.asp

Cost
Details of all study costs and program requirements can be found on the Bachelor of Dental Surgery, Degree Finder page. www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder

Student experience

North Terrace Campus
The School of Dentistry is located at the University of Adelaide’s North Terrace Campus. Situated next to Adelaide’s central business and shopping districts it is renowned for its history, beauty, convenience and lively atmosphere. The campus backs onto the River Torrens, the University sports fields and Adelaide park lands. It is the University’s main campus.

Clubs/Associations
The university offers a vast array of clubs, associations and activities. From special interest and social clubs to sporting groups and facilities as well as a student union, student media, debating club and Dental Students’ Society. In addition, the School of Dentistry supports a choir and musical ensemble.
www.auu.org.au
www.adelaide.edu.au/sports
www.audss.org

Accommodation
Adelaide boasts a wide range of accommodation options to suit different budgets and tastes, including university managed accommodation, residential colleges, student hosts, private rental and shared housing. University managed accommodation and residential colleges offer many advantages, being close to campus and offering furnished rooms, with electricity, gas and water all included in the cost.
Students can also contact the team at the Accommodation Service who will be pleased to help find alternatives with the benefit of local knowledge.
www.adelaide.edu.au/accommodation

Student Support

International Student Centre (ISC)
Staff at the ISC can assist with a range of issues related to your study and life in Adelaide. They look after the orientation and ongoing support of international students.
www.international.adelaide.edu.au/support/isc

Student Health
Male and female doctors are available to students at University Health. Consultations are usually covered by Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

Canadian Provincial Financial Support
Canadian students are eligible to apply for Canadian provincial student loans when studying at the Adelaide University, School of Dentistry. In addition, students are eligible to work on or off campus while in Australia; up to 40 hours bi-weekly during studies and full time during vacation periods.

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Living in Adelaide

With a pleasant climate, dynamic cultural scene and affordable cost of living, Adelaide, the capital of South Australia, offers an enviable lifestyle in an environment that is ideal for study.

Cost of living
In the recent Global Liveability Report, Adelaide ranked in equal 5th place with Calgary as one of the world’s most liveable cities.

The City
Adelaide is Australia’s fifth largest city with over 1.2 million people. It has all the advantages of a big city with few of the inconveniences. Adelaide is one of Australia’s most cosmopolitan cities, with an array of cafes, restaurants and shops reflecting the diversity of its communities.

Surrounded by parklands and playing fields, Adelaide is a busy and vibrant city while remaining easy to get around. Adelaide is simple to navigate and has a good public transport network. The city is surrounded by the natural beauty of the Adelaide Hills and 22 kilometres of easily accessible white sandy beaches—one of the main beaches, Glenelg, is just a 30 minute tram ride from the city. The rest of Australia is easily accessible from Adelaide, with transport networks by air, train and bus.

The Lifestyle
Adelaide offers a relaxed lifestyle with the conveniences of city living, including shops, cafes, restaurants and a variety of entertainment, festivals, live music, theatre. There are plenty of outdoor activities in which you can get involved, including cycling, football, hockey, fishing and hiking, as well as spending time at the local beach suburbs.

Getting out of the city you can explore regional South Australia and find great countryside including world renowned wine regions, such as the Clare Valley, Barossa Valley, and McLaren Vale, rugged coastlines, national parks, wildlife and the Australian Outback.

The Weather
South Australia has a Mediterranean climate of warm to hot, dry summers and mild to cool, wet winters—rain mainly falling between May to August. There are four distinct seasons:

- **Spring**: September to November
- **Summer**: December to February
- **Autumn**: March to May
- **Winter**: June to August
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