COMMUNITY DENTISTRY AND POPULATION HEALTH (DSCD)

DSCD 5501 - Community Public Health 1 (0.1-5 Credits)
This course will introduce students to an array of topics that will jump-start the dental school experience. In addition to didactic work, students will visit off-campus care delivery settings, especially those serving under-served or special populations. A major focus will be risk-based, prevention using a management of disease approach.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 5502 - Nutrition (0.1-5 Credits)
This course provides information on the chemistry and biochemistry of nutrients, food composition, food sources, selection of an adequate diet and nutritional surveillance with an emphasis on the oral cavity and the practice of dentistry.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Summer.

DSCD 5504 - Communication & Person-Centered Care (0.1-5 Credits)
This course exposes the student to the aspects of health communication, health literacy and person centered model of care. This approach will guide the students to focus on patients’ resources and needs.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Summer.

DSCD 5505 - Dental Ethics and Professionalism (0.1-5 Credits)
This course will cover concepts and methods for effective reasoning to reflect critically upon individual’s values and ethical standards. Topics cover foundational concepts in ethics and professionalism in dental practice, public health, and research.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Repeatable. Max Credits: 5.
Typically Offered: Summer.

DSCD 5855 - Independent Study (0.1-5 Credits)
Independent Study
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 5877 - Independent Study (0.1-5 Credits)
Independent Study
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 6601 - Community Public Health 2 (0.1-5 Credits)
This course will build upon Community Public Health I course and amalgamates public health principles and community engagement experiences.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Repeatable. Max Credits: 5.
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 6622 - Managing Your Dental Student Practice 1 (0.1-5 Credits)
Course provides students with knowledge/skills to make the transition from pre-clinic to clinical patient. Competencies established in infection control, documentation/record keeping, patient management, medico-legal implications, ethical implications, professionalism, organization skills, communication skills, auxiliary utilization, and equipment/instrument utilization.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 6623 - Managing Your Dental Student Practice 2 (0.1-5 Credits)
Course provides students with knowledge/skills to make the transition from pre-clinic to clinical patient. Competencies established in infection control, documentation/record keeping, patient management, medico-legal implications, ethical implications, professionalism, organization skills, communication skills, auxiliary utilization, and instrument utilization.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7702 - Integration for Patient Care 1 (0.1-10 Credits)
This is the first part of a 2-course sequence in which students integrate their biomedical, behavioral, and clinical sciences knowledge through clinical applications.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 7703 - Integration for Patient Care 2 (0.1-10 Credits)
This is the second part of a 2-course sequence in which students integrate their biomedical, behavioral, and clinical sciences knowledge through clinical applications.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7705 - Clinical Transformations: Interprofessional Education (0.1-5 Credits)
This course, taught in a team-based format in a simulated clinical environment, evaluates campus-wide competencies in teamwork, collaborative interprofessional practice, quality and safety. Students explore health care professional roles, and build communication skills with members of the health care team/patient/family.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 7706 - Clinical Transformations: Interprofessional Education (0.1-5 Credits)
This course, taught in a team-based format in a simulated clinical environment, evaluates campus-wide competencies in teamwork, collaborative interprofessional practice, quality and safety. Students explore health care professional roles, and build communication skills with members of the health care team/patient/family.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7709 - Community Public Health 3 (0.1-5 Credits)
This course exposes students to the public aspects of oral health care. It identifies the significance and scope of public health programs at all levels of government and relates the public activities to the private practice of dentistry.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7710 - Behavioral Health Sciences (0.1-5 Credits)
This course develops foundational knowledge in mental health/disorders, and enhances skills in building rapport and motivating patients to change health behaviors, through lecture and two standardized patient interviews. Reviews managing anxious or fearful patients, and communication skills including cross-cultural communication.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Repeatable. Max Credits: 5.
Typically Offered: Fall.
DSCD 7711 - Gerontology & Geriatric Health Care (0.1-5 Credits)
This course addresses clinical considerations for older adult patients and provides a basic understanding of the physiologic, pharmacologic, psychological and social aspects of aging. Reviews pathological changes that affect oral health treatment of dental diseases and patient management.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 7713 - INBDE Preparation Course 1 (0.1-10 Credits)
This is part one of a 2-course independent-study series in which students utilize Integrated National Board Dental Exam (INBDE) practice questions and supplementary study materials, and take a mock INBDE in preparation for challenging the INBDE beginning in the DS3 Summer Semester.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7720 - Behavioral Health, Gerontology and Geriatrics (0.1-5 Credits)
Developing foundational knowledge in mental health/illness (mental health literacy), geriatrics and care for adult patients with developmental disabilities. Additionally at enhancing skills in building rapport/motivating patients for adoption of health behaviors, through lecture and two standardized patient interview experiences.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 7726 - Dental Practice Planning (0.1-5 Credits)
Teaches students to make basic decisions relating to planning/implementation of private practice. Primary focus on practice arrangements, business formats, dental associateships, buying a practice, designing and equipping dental office, financing practice, leases, debt management, personal/professional insurance, and selecting professional advisors.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7730 - Adult Special Health Care Need Dentistry (0.1-5 Credits)
To introduce students to medical problems/disabilities affecting patients who will be treated in the School's Special Care Clinic. This includes foundational knowledge in the features of common congenital disabilities, proper communication techniques, and assessment of the oral health treatment strategies most compatible for the patient.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 7791 - Community-Based Clinical Dentistry 1 (ACTS) (0.1-5 Credits)
Students are required to complete assignments to practice in community-based ACTS Program sites. The specific objectives of these clinical assignments vary according to the site assigned each student. Sites include multi-disciplinary community health care centers, institution or hospital-based treatment centers, & private practices.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 7796 - Special Care Clinic A (0.1-5 Credits)
This course is designed to introduce dental students to provide dental treatment to the special needs population. Department consent required.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 7797 - Special Care Clinic B (0.1-5 Credits)
This course is designed to introduce dental students to provide dental treatment to the special needs population. Department consent required.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Summer.

DSCD 8812 - Dental Ethics and Jurisprudence (0.1-5 Credits)
This course prepares students for appropriate conduct consistent with the legal and ethical principles of the dental profession. It lays the foundations for each student's continued growth with respect to the legal and ethical obligations of professionalism.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 8822 - Dental Practice Management & Leadership (0.1-5 Credits)
Primary focus is on financial records, billing and collections, professional insurance, fees, clinical records, third party relations, case presentation, practice analysis, dental practice marketing, and personnel management.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 8847 - Comprehensive Patient Care Clinic H (0.1-11 Credits)
Continuation of advanced comprehensive patient care activities for DS 4 dental students not registered for Integrated Care Clinical Dentistry.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 8866 - Independent Study (0.1-10 Credits)
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 8892 - Community-Based Clinical Dentistry 3 (ACTS) (0.1-10 Credits)
Students complete six weeks (may elect an additional eighteen weeks) in a non-metropolitan community-based educational site. Objectives of clinical experiences vary according to site assignment and include rural community health centers, psychiatric hospitals, migrant health care, or private practice locations.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Fall.

DSCD 8893 - Community-Based Clinical Dentistry 4 (ACTS) (0.1-10 Credits)
Students complete six weeks (may elect an additional eighteen weeks) in a non-metropolitan community-based educational site. Objectives of clinical experiences vary according to site assignment and include rural community health centers, psychiatric hospitals, migrant health care, or private practice locations.
Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory w/IP
Typically Offered: Spring.

DSCD 8896 - Special Care Clinic C (0.1-5 Credits)
This course is designed to introduce dental students to provide dental treatment to the special needs population. Department consent required.
Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP
Typically Offered: Fall.