DENTAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Dental residencies are available annually for a period of one calendar year starting in June. Successful applicants will be registered as postgraduate students in the Faculty of Dentistry for the length of their appointment. The withdrawal of government funding has reduced remuneration and the number of positions that can be offered to qualified applicants, therefore please contact the particular hospital program of interest for any questions on this matter. Please note that in the Province of Ontario, while registered as a dental resident, candidates will not be permitted to maintain their interest free loan status of Provincial Government loans.

Thirteen positions are normally available. Residencies in general dentistry are offered in the following hospitals:

- The Hospital for Sick Children (4 positions)
- Mount Sinai Hospital (6 positions)
- Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre (3 positions)

Each of these hospitals has an active dental department and offers a wide range of dental services. (See the "Hospital Dental Residency Information Sheet" on the dentistry website). Residents are given supervised clinical experience in hospital dentistry and assignments to other hospital departments. A three-week to one-month assignment to a northern Ontario hospital is also offered. A special seminar course for dental residents is arranged by the Graduate and Postgraduate Committee of the Faculty of Dentistry.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
In order to be eligible for admission consideration, an applicant must be either a graduate of the Doctor of Dental Surgery Program at the University of Toronto, or possess equivalent qualifications, by the commencement of the appointment in June. Foreign-trained dental graduates, i.e. graduates of non-accredited dental programs, should normally have successfully completed the International Dentist Advanced Placement Program and the National Dental Examining Board of Canada (NDEB) examinations. Under exceptional circumstances, however, candidates without these qualifications may be accepted on the basis of individual credentials. Applicants should be aware that in most years, only applicants who have completed the International Dentist Advanced Placement Program and the NDEB examinations are eligible for acceptance.

CITIZENSHIP AND RESIDENCE
Under present Canadian Immigration regulations, Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents of Canada (i.e. Landed Immigrants) have preferred status for residencies. Due to the number of qualified Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents who apply each year, the opportunity for other applicants to secure a position is normally minimal.
ENGLISH FACILITY REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must be proficient in both written and spoken English. Applicants whose first language (i.e. the language learned at home as a child) is not English are required to achieve an appropriate standard in a recognized test of English facility. Note: We will not exempt from English facility testing any applicant who studied in English in a country where the primary language is not English.

However, we will exempt from English facility testing any applicant and who has completed four years or more of full-time academic study in an English language school system located in a country where English is the primary language, or who has successfully completed, with grades of “C” or higher, at least four full degree courses, including at least one full course in English, Social Sciences or Humanities, taught in English, in a recognized English-medium university located in a country where English is the primary language. We will also exempt from English facility testing any applicant who is a bilingual francophone and who has satisfactorily completed at least four years of full-time academic study in the Canadian school system.

Acceptable proof of English facility must be submitted by the application deadline (September 30). If acceptable proof of English facility is not received by the application deadline, your application will be cancelled. Tests taken more than two years prior to the application deadline will not be considered. Official test scores must be sent by the testing agency directly to the Admissions Office, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Toronto. The following tests are recognized:

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

Those who present the paper-based TOEFL must ensure that the Test of Written English (TWE) is also available on their test date.

Minimum Requirement
TOEFL PBT - total score 600 + 5.0 on TWE
TOEFL IBT - total score 100 + 22 on Writing

Note: The TOEFL Institution Code is 0982-00. You must list this code correctly, or we will not receive your results. TOEFL Bulletins may be obtained from American embassies and consulates or by contacting TOEFL Services, P.O. Box 6151, Princeton, NJ 08541-6151, USA. Telephone: (609) 771-7100; Email: toefl@ets.org; Web site: www.toefl.org.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic Module

The minimum requirement is an overall band of 6.5, with no band below 6.0. For information about this test, worldwide test centres and registration procedures, you may contact The IELTS Office at www.ielts.org. You may also contact the Ontario Test Centre at IELTS Test Centre, Conestoga College, 299 Doon Valley Drive, Kitchener, ON N2G 4M4. Telephone: (519) 748-3516; Fax: (519) 748-6289, Email: ieltshelp@conestogac.on.ca; Website: www.ieltscanada.ca.
The minimum requirement is an overall score of 85, with no part below 80. Information Bulletins and Registration Forms may be obtained from CaMLA, Argus Building 1, 535 West William Street, Suite 300, Ann Arbor, MI 48103-4978, USA. Telephone: (734) 615-9629; Email: info@cambridgemichigan.org; Website: www.cambridgemichigan.org/melab or the Toronto MELAB Centre website: www.melab.ca. Applicants in the Toronto area may register in-person at the Toronto MELAB Centre, 45 Willcocks Street, Toronto, ON M5S 1C7. Telephone: (416) 946-3942; E-Mail: info@melab.ca.

**The Certificate of Proficiency in English (COPE)**

The minimum requirement is an overall score of 86, with 32 in Writing and 22 in each of Reading and Listening. Cope Test is currently available in Toronto only. COPE Information Bulletins with registration forms and sample questions may be picked up at Enrolment Services (address above), or you may contact COPE Testing Ltd., 7B Pleasant Blvd., Box 957, Toronto, ON M4T 1K2 (note: this is a mailing address only). Telephone: (416) 962-2673; Email: info@copetest.com. Complete information, including a downloadable registration form, is available at website: www.copetest.com.

**Academic Preparation ESL Course, School of Continuing Studies**

The minimum requirement is a grade of 'B' at the 60/Advanced level. For more information contact the English Language Program at the School of Continuing Studies, University of Toronto, 252 Bloor Street West, Suite 4106, Toronto, ON M5S 1V6. Telephone: (416) 978-5104; E-mail: learn.english@utoronto.ca; Website: www.learn.english.utoronto.ca.

**PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION**

University policies on access to student records and personal privacy allow us to communicate only with the applicant unless we have written permission to discuss the application with someone else. Application forms must be downloaded from the Faculty web site at: [https://www.dentistry.utoronto.ca/admissions/dental-residency-program/application-form](https://www.dentistry.utoronto.ca/admissions/dental-residency-program/application-form).

Applicants who are submitting documents in a name other than that shown on the application must submit proof of name change with the application. A notarized copy of one of the following is acceptable: marriage certificate or Change-of-Name Order issued by an Ontario Court Judge, or by another court of competent jurisdiction.

**Documents will not be returned to applicants. Therefore, do not send originals.**

This is a five-step application process. Documentation must be provided for each step according to the following schedule:

Step 1 – Making an Application. Deadline: **September 30, 2016**.
Step 2 – Register with the National Match Service: **October 1, 2016**
Step 3 – Interviews
Step 5 – Review Match Results and Respond to Matched Program
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STEP 1 - MAKING AN APPLICATION

**September 30, 2016: APPLICATION DEADLINE.** Application forms and all supporting documents must be received in the Admissions Office by September 30, 2016, at 5:00 p.m., which is the application deadline. The following payment must accompany your completed application form:

- Non-refundable application service fee of $275 CDN (certified cheque or money order payable to the University of Toronto). We do not accept personal cheques or credit card payments.
- One to two page biographical statement.

In addition, applicants must arrange for the following documents to be submitted directly to the Admissions Office by the application deadline:

- Official transcripts of all university education in sealed envelopes from the issuing institutions. *
- Two letters of reference in sealed envelopes.
- Proof of English facility from the testing agency, if applicable.

* Applicants attending the University of Toronto are not required to arrange for transcripts if their complete academic record appears on the U of T Student Record System (ROSI); if not, applicants must arrange for official transcripts to be sent by the Transcript Centre.

STEP 2 – REGISTER FOR THE MATCH

**October 1, 2016:** Applicants should register with the National Match Service for Canadian General Practice Residency (GPR-CAN) [https://www.natmatch.com/](https://www.natmatch.com/) beginning on this date. REGISTRATION DEADLINE is November 17, 2016. Instructions from NMS on Rank Order Lists and obtaining Match results is sent to registered applicants, therefore it is recommended that you register prior to the deadline.

STEP 3 - INTERVIEWS

Interviews are an integral part of the application process. The U of T Teaching Hospitals will conduct their interviews after the application deadline. The interviews will take place the last weekend in October. Please follow the instructions below:

Each Hospital Dental Department sets its own interview schedule independently of the other
Hospitals. If you are selected for an interview, the hospital dental department will contact you directly to set up a date and time for your interview.

STEP 4 – SUBMIT RANK ORDER LIST TO NATIONAL MATCH SERVICE

**November 18, 2016**: DEADLINE FOR RANK ORDER FORMS to be submitted to the National Match Service by applicants and programs

STEP 5 – REVIEW MATCH AND RESPOND TO MATCHED PROGRAM

On **November 30, 2016**, the results of the match are released by the NMS to applicants and program directors via the website. The program director of the program to which you have been matched will contact you by email. An immediate response is expected.

A list of unmatched programs and unmatched candidates will be available on the NMS website following the release of the match results.

**SELECTION PROCESS**

The criteria for selection include academic achievement, motivation, maturity, professionalism, and the ability to work as a team member. Applicants who have never held a dental residency will have preferred status over those who have had this experience. Positions will be offered only to applicants participating in the Match Process.

Applicants should review the Match Process, including Overview of the Match, Rules of Participation, and the Matching Algorithm in the NMS website [https://www.natmatch.com/dentres/](https://www.natmatch.com/dentres/).

Matched applicants will be notified by email by the Program on **November 30, 2016**; immediate confirmation by the applicant by email is expected. The Hospital Dental Departments and Faculty GPR Program will maintain all correspondence with incoming residents pertaining to contracts, schedules, responsibilities, payroll procedures, etc. The Admissions and Undergraduate Offices in the Faculty of Dentistry will maintain all correspondence pertaining to admission/registration as students in the Faculty of Dentistry.

**PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY IN ONTARIO**

Successful applicants will be required to obtain either an Educational Certificate or a General Certificate of Registration (licence) before they may practice in Ontario. Candidates who have not completed the NDEB examinations obtain an Educational Certificate. Incoming residents should contact the Registrar, Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario (RCDSO), 6 Crescent Road, Fifth Floor, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M4W 1T1, well in advance of their official starting date to obtain annual licensing costs and to make the necessary arrangements. Tel: (416) 961-6555; Fax: (416) 961-5814.
REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT OF FEES
Prior to the start of their appointment, dental residents will be required to remit current registration fee charges, $600.00 for 2016-2017, thereby registering as a student in the program. The cost of the registration fee for the 2017-2018 academic year is not available at present.

HOSPITAL DENTAL RESIDENCY INFORMATION

Hospital for Sick Children
Address - Department of Dentistry, 555 University Avenue, Toronto, ON M5G 1X5
Dentist-In-Chief - Dr. M.J. Casas
For More Information Contact - Helen Cheung (416) 813-6008
4 residencies available each year

Services & Facilities
- service limited to children up to 18 years.
- multi-disciplinary craniofacial treatment centre & cleft lip and palate.
- rotations to Bloor MacMillan Health Centre, Princess Margaret Hospital, other medical departments within hospital, and Sioux Lookout (optional).
- advanced surgery, endodontics, prosthetics, and orthodontics.
- Dental Operatories: 10 and G.A. facility for general dentistry.

Mount Sinai Hospital
Address: Department of Dentistry, 600 University Avenue, Toronto, ON M5G 1X5
Dentist-In-Chief - Dr. H. Tenenbaum
For More Information Contact - Nneka Sealy-David: (416) 586-1594; E-mail: nsealy-david@mtsinaison.ca
6 residencies available each year

Services & Facilities
- rotations to Toronto Rehabilitation Institute and Moose Factory Hospital.
- primary site for Graduate Specialty Program in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.
- very busy emergency rotation includes severe odontogenic infections and fractures, Hospital dental residents involved in all aspects of care.
- rotations to medical departments within the hospital.
- multi-disciplinary craniofacial pain unit.
- oral disease diagnostic clinic.
- dentistry for persons with disabilities and persons who are medically compromised.
- offers full range of dental care with all clinical specialties represented.
- Dental Operatories: 10 - 5 with nitrous oxide, 1 emergency dental operatory, 6 OR day blocks per week with
- facilities for Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery and General Dentistry.

Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre
Address - Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Department of Dentistry, 2075 Bayview Avenue, Suite H1-26, Toronto, ON M4N 3M5
Dentist-In-Chief - Dr. S.E. Sutherland
For More Information Contact - Dr. Veenu Mittal, GPR Director (416) 480-4436
3 residencies available each year

Services & Facilities
- dentistry for persons who are medically compromised.
- oral medicine service.
- rotations to Sioux Lookout (optional) and hospital medical departments.
- Regional Trauma Centre/ Toronto Sunnybrook Regional Cancer Centre.
- craniofacial/ maxillofacial prosthetics.
- Dental Operatories: 11