

### **Doctor of Dental Medicine**

### **International Admissions Guide 2026**

For international applicants only



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### 1. Introduction

Welcome to the *International Admissions Guide 2026* for international applicants to the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) (CRICOS code: 074120B) at the University of Sydney.

Applying for dentistry is a complicated process, and the aim of this Guide is to answer the most common questions about admissions criteria and how to apply.

It will help you to determine whether you have met the criteria to submit an application for admission to the DMD. It also provides a step-by-step guide to completing the application form, submitting documents and meeting the timelines.

If, after reading this information, you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via the Contact Us page at the end of this Guide.

Thank you for considering the DMD at the University of Sydney and best wishes for your application.

### **GAMSAT** eligibility period

Please note that, despite any contrary advice from ACER or GAMSAT, to be eligible for admission to the DMD at the University of Sydney in 2026 with admissions test results from GAMSAT, applicants must have GAMSAT test results obtained in the past two years. This requirement may change for future intakes.

### Important note

The University regularly reviews the admission criteria and application processes for its courses. It reserves the right to change these criteria and processes without notice. Statements in this Guide provide general advice about the currently applicable criteria and processes and will not be correct for future application periods. Applicants are advised to consult the relevant website for the most recent information:

https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine0.html.

Applicants are reminded that study in the DMD requires full-time, in-person attendance on campus. Remote study is not available for the program.



Please read and follow the instructions in this Guide carefully. All prospective students of dentistry are expected to be able to follow instructions.

If you miss a step in the application process or fail to complete a step correctly, your application might not be eligible for consideration.

### 2. Admission criteria

### 2.1 Overview

For 2026 entry, international applicants must fulfil *three* main requirements to be eligible for admission:

- Satisfactory performance in an eligible bachelor's degree (indicated by GPA)
- International applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, a bachelor's degree and have at least a credit average at the time of application, as indicated by Grade Point Average (GPA).
- International applicants will have their bachelor's degree assessed and GPA calculated by the University of Sydney, once an application is successfully submitted.
- Satisfactory
   performance in an
   admissions test
   (GAMSAT/
   DAT/CDAT)
- Applicants must submit eligible results from an admissions test with their application.
- International DMD applicants must submit eligible Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) results\*, US Dental Admissions Test (DAT) or Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (CDAT) results.
  - \*Eligible GAMSAT results: **September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, March 2025** ONLY
- 3. Portfolio
  demonstrating
  genuine interest in,
  commitment to and
  aptitude for studying
  Dentistry
- Applicants must submit a portfolio following the <a href="instructions">instructions</a> provided by the University of Sydney for their application to be considered.

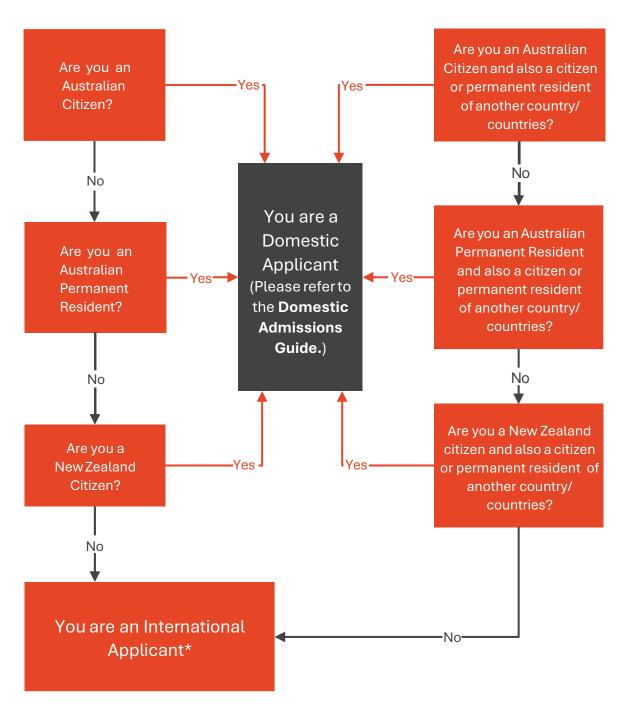
International applicants must also fulfil the following additional requirement to be eligible for admission:

### English language requirements

All applicants must meet this requirement at the time of application.

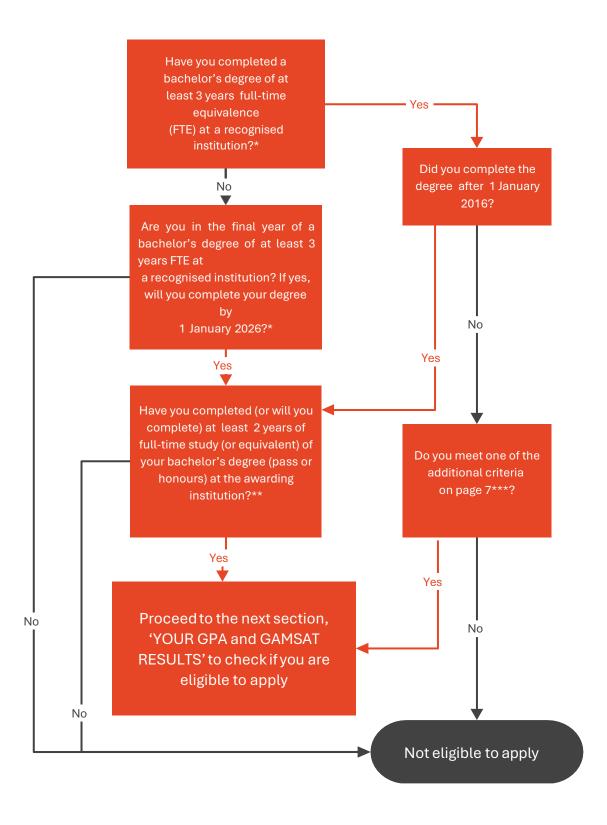
International applicants may be required to attend an interview to assess their interest in, commitment to and aptitude for studying dentistry at Sydney Dental School. Applicants will be selected for interview based on their admissions test results and portfolio. The University will give these applicants due notice of any interview requirements.

### 2.2 Are you an international applicant?



<sup>\*</sup>Note: For information for applicants changing from international to domestic status, please refer to clause 49 of the University's <a href="Coursework Policy 2021">Coursework Policy 2021</a> and <a href="https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine0.html">https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine0.html</a>.

### 2.3 Your bachelor's degree



\*Your degree must be either:

- a. a bachelor's degree (pass) accredited at Level 7 under the <u>Australian Qualifications</u>
   <u>Framework</u> or a bachelor's degree (with honours) accredited at Level 8 under the <u>Australian Qualifications Framework</u>, from <u>an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution</u>; or
- b. a bachelor's degree from an overseas university recognised by Australia's National Information Centre for qualifications recognition in the Department of Education, Skills and Employment, provided that the degree is equivalent to an Australian bachelor's degree (pass or with honours).

Your bachelor's degree must be of at least 3 years full-time equivalence (FTE).

You must complete your bachelor's degree by 1 January of the year in which you intend to commence the DMD. (Note: This policy also applies to applicants who are enrolled in an accelerated program.) Therefore, if you wish to apply in 2025 for 2026 entry, you cannot undertake an exchange or study abroad program in the second half of 2025, or enrol in summer school/intensive units in 2025-2026. If you wish to do so, you will need to consider applying for a future intake.

\*\* You must complete at least 2 years of full-time study (or equivalent) of your bachelor's degree (pass or honours) at the awarding institution. For example, for a degree that requires 144 credit points to be completed in 3 years, 96 credit points must be completed at the awarding institution.

\*\*\* If your bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which you are seeking enrolment, you must, in addition:

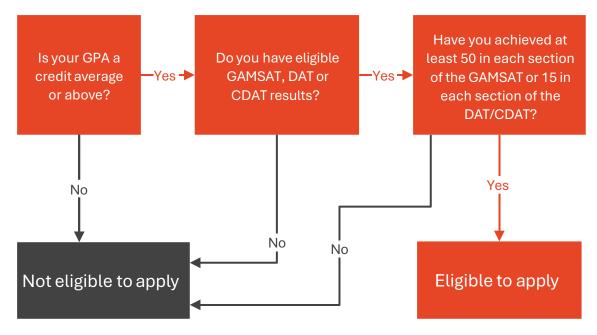
- 1. have completed within this 10-year period, a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma (or equivalent) of at least one year FTE; or
- 2. complete prior to 1 January of the year in which you intend to enrol in the DMD, a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma (or equivalent) of at least one year FTE; or
- 3. have been awarded within this 10-year period, a postgraduate research degree (or equivalent); or
- 4. be awarded prior to 1 January of the year in which you intend to commence the DMD, a postgraduate research degree (or equivalent); or
- 5. have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period.

For the purposes of paragraphs 1 to 4 above, a postgraduate diploma or degree (or equivalent) means:

- a postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma accredited at Level 8, 9, or 10 under the
   Australian Qualifications Framework, from an Australian university or self-accrediting higher education institution;
- an overseas university recognised by Australia's National Information Centre for qualifications recognition in the Department of Education, Skills and Employment, provided that the postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma is equivalent to an Australian postgraduate degree or diploma accredited at Level 8, 9, or 10.

You must complete at least one year of full-time study (or equivalent) of your postgraduate degree or postgraduate diploma at the awarding institution.

### 2.4 Your GPA and admissions test results



### 2.4.1 The GPA entry requirement

Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 5 at the time of application to be considered (for example, a GPA of 5 out of 7, where 7 represents a 'High Distinction' on a 7-point numeric scale). Applicants with overseas qualifications are required to achieve an equivalent academic level (for example, a GPA of 2.7 out of 4 for US/Canadian universities, a GPA of 3.3 out of 5 for Singaporean universities, a bachelor's degree at a Lower II class for UK universities).

#### 2.4.2 The GPA calculation

As an international applicant, your GPA will be calculated by the University of Sydney once you have successfully submitted your application. You must provide your official transcripts with your online application.

If your bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which you are seeking enrolment, and you have met or will meet the additional postgraduate study requirement specified in <a href="Part 2.3">Part 2.3</a> of this Guide, admission is still based on the GPA calculated from your bachelor's degree results.

#### General guidelines

- 1. The GPA is calculated over the entire duration of the bachelor's degree (pass or honours).
- 2. The unit values or credit points of each subject will be used. If this information is not available, a value of 1 will be assigned.
- 3. All years of study, regardless of level, are weighted equally.
- 4. All failed subjects will be included in the calculation with a mark of zero (0). If a subject appears on your transcript as 'withdrawn' or 'discontinued', i.e. a subject in which you were enrolled but did not complete, it will only be included in the GPA calculations if

'Withdraw/Fail' or 'Discontinue/Fail' is shown. These subjects will also be assigned a zero (0) and no percentage marks can be used.

- 5. If a subject has been failed and repeated, both marks will be included in the GPA calculation.
- 6. The calculation is based on subjects completed at the time of application. For example, for applicants who are applying whilst in the final year of their degree, first semester results of final year will be included in the assessment only if those results are recorded on the official transcripts at the time of application. It should be noted that any offer of a place is conditional upon the applicant completing their degree at the required level of performance by 1 January of the year in which they intend to commence the DMD.

#### 7. Bachelor's degree Honours years

Research Honours years are included in the GPA calculation for applicants who have undertaken an additional honours year either at the institution at which their bachelor's degree was awarded or at another recognised institution.

For the purposes of the GPA calculation, grades given to honours years that are otherwise ungraded are as follows:

Award	Grade
First Class (1)	7
Second Class, First Division (2.1)	6
Second Class, Second Division (2.2)	5
Third Class (3)	4

It is important to note that any grades for units of study completed in an honours year will *not* be overwritten with a higher grade based on the honours level achieved. This will occur only for those components, if any, which are reported as ungraded. See **Examples** (pdf, 174KB) for clarification.

Note: The GPA for applicants whose bachelor's degree was awarded with integrated Honours will be calculated on the basis of the applicant's academic results in the bachelor's degree, not by reference to the table above. See **Examples** (pdf, 174KB) for clarification.

#### 8. Combined degree programs

For applicants who have undertaken a combined degree program, all units of study undertaken in that program will be used in the calculation of a GPA regardless of whether or not one component of the degree has been abandoned, completed or conferred/awarded.

A single degree completed as part of a combined degree will not be considered separately for the calculation of the GPA under any circumstances.

For example, in the event that your GPA does not meet the minimum requirement when taking into consideration all subjects completed for your combined degree, it is NOT possible to group subjects according to the degree with which they were associated in order to achieve a higher GPA.

#### 9. Credit transfer

Academic results from multiple records which, in their entirety, clearly contribute to the continuation or award of the same course, may be combined if they are:

- cross-institutional studies which have been fully credited into a bachelor's degree;
- non-award studies which have been fully credited into a bachelor's degree (e.g. Open Universities Australia study);
- studies which are a continuation of the same course and can be fully combined into a later period of study (e.g. where a student has returned to continue a course after a break); or
- combined bachelor's degrees.

Academic results from different tertiary courses will not be combined, even where partial credit or advanced standing from a different course has been noted on the academic record.

The University may combine the calculated GPAs of applicants who have been enrolled in more than one bachelor's degree at the same institution and:

- a. whose qualifying bachelor's degree for admission is less than 2 years (FTE); or
- b. who have received a credit transfer of 50% or more from a previous degree in their qualifying bachelor's degree.

The University will have regard to the relative credit point contributions of the applicant's enrolments to their GPA for each degree when calculating the combined GPA.

#### 10. Pass/Fail basis ungraded subjects

Subjects that are awarded on a Pass/Fail basis will only be included in the calculation when they represent more than 50% of the subjects included on the transcript. A numeric value of 4 will be assigned to those subjects.

#### 2.4.3 Admissions test results (GAMSAT, DAT, CDAT)

For the purposes of admission to the DMD in 2026, the University may use and/or weight scores in one or more sections of an admissions test (rather than overall or average scores) to rank applicants.

If you have results for more than one set of tests listed above, ensure you provide all results on your application. The University will assess all eligible test results and select the GAMSAT/DAT/CDAT results that provide the highest-ranking outcome for each application.

#### **GAMSAT**

Applicants must have achieved a minimum score of 50 in each section of the GAMSAT to be eligible for admission.

Eligible GAMSAT results: To apply in 2025 for admission to the DMD commencing in 2026, you must have results from one or more of the following GAMSAT tests: September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, March 2025.

Applications, information and sample questions for GAMSAT are available on the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) website at <a href="https://gamsat.acer.org/">https://gamsat.acer.org/</a>.

#### **DAT and CDAT**

The US Dental Admission Test (DAT) and the Canadian Dental Aptitude Test (CDAT) can be used for international DMD entry. Applicants using either of these test results must achieve a

minimum score of 15 in each of the sections. The Manual Dexterity Test component of the CDAT is not included.

Details about the DAT, including registration information and test preparation material can be found on the American Dental Association's website: <a href="http://www.ada.org/en/education-careers/dental-admission-test">http://www.ada.org/en/education-careers/dental-admission-test</a>

Details about the CDAT, including registration dates and test information can be found on the Canadian Dental Association's website: <a href="http://www.cda-adc.ca/en/becoming/index.asp">http://www.cda-adc.ca/en/becoming/index.asp</a>

### 2.4.4 Disability, illness and misadventure

The official results listed on an applicant's transcript, and their admission test results, will be taken as the awarding and testing authorities' assessment of the academic standards reached by the applicant, as reflected in their GPA and admission test results, taking due account of disability, illness and misadventure according to the authorities' policies.

### 2.5 English language requirement

Applicants must meet the minimum English language requirements at the time of application.

Please visit the University's English language requirements <u>website</u> for information on how to demonstrate your proficiency in English.

### 2.6 Are you ineligible for admission?

- 1. Applicants who have not completed or will not complete an eligible bachelor's degree by 1 January 2026 (regardless of whether they have completed/will complete a postgraduate coursework diploma or degree, or have been awarded/will be awarded a postgraduate research degree by 1 January 2026) are ineligible to apply.
- 2. Applicants who have previously applied unsuccessfully for admission to the DMD and have commenced studies in postgraduate dentistry at another university are not eligible for admission to the DMD.
  - \*For this purpose, applicants are considered to have commenced their studies on the date on which they first enrolled in the dental program.
- 3. Applicants for the DMD who have previously accepted a conditional or unconditional offer of a place in the DMD at the University of Sydney, and:
  - failed to submit any outstanding documentation to proceed with an unconditional offer or to enrol; or
  - b. enrolled in and subsequently withdrawn from or discontinued that program without prior approval from the relevant delegated officer;

are ineligible for admission to the DMD for a period of two years from the date of application or enrolment, as relevant.

### 3 Offers

### 3.1 How offers are made

Offers of places are made on the basis of merit, as indicated by applicants' final rankings and satisfactory performance in the portfolio and interview.

Applicants will be ranked on the basis of admissions test results.

Offers will be made in sequence commencing with the applicant with the highest ranked score. Should it arise that applicants are ranked equally, the University reserves the right to use an additional selection tool. The University will give these applicants due notice of any additional requirements. If further separation is required, the applicants' GPA at the time of application may be used, at the discretion of the University.

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept the offer of a place. Offers not accepted in accordance with the instructions contained in the offer letter by that date will lapse.

Unconditional offers are only made to applicants who were already graduates at the time of application and who have provided all necessary documents to the University. Conditional offers are made to applicants who have not completed the final year of their bachelor's degree (or postgraduate studies) and/or who have not provided all necessary documents to the University. A conditional offer will be withdrawn and cancelled if the applicant fails to achieve the required GPA on completion of the degree, if the applicant fails to complete the degree by the deadline stipulated in their offer letter, or if the applicant fails to provide all necessary documents by the deadline. Refer to the timeline and offer letters for details.

The DMD course requires in-person attendance for clinical and preclinical teaching, therefore applicants may be required to demonstrate their ability to meet these requirements prior to offers being made.

### 3.2 Places, fees and scholarships

Please refer to the following website and remember that the information is subject to change: <a href="https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine0.html">https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine0.html</a>

Scholarships: <a href="https://sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/study-medicine-and-health/scholarships.html">https://sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/study-medicine-and-health/scholarships.html</a>

### 3.3 Deferral and suspension

Please refer to the relevant websites for the deferral rules:

https://www.sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/doctor-of-dental-medicine0.html

Please refer to clause 71 of the Coursework Policy 2021 for the suspension rules.

Applicants should be prepared and ready to commence studies in the year for which they have applied.

### 3.4 No exemptions or advanced standing

No applicant will be admitted to the DMD with advanced standing or credit, and no exemptions from participating in part of the program will be offered.

### 3.5 Appeals

Applicants who believe that there has been a procedural or other non-academic error in the handling of their application for admission to the DMD may appeal in writing, with supporting evidence, to the Admissions Advisory Group via the University Admissions Office (see Contact Us page at the end of this Guide).

### 3.6 Impermissible conduct

The University reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject an application for admission or to vary or cancel an offer of admission if an applicant's conduct during the admissions process or prior to enrolment causes it to form the view that the applicant is unsuitable for admission to the DMD.

Examples of conduct that might make an applicant unsuitable for admission to the DMD include (but are not limited to):

- failure by the applicant to treat University of Sydney employees, students, applicants or other members of the University community with respect and courtesy, including failure to use appropriate language and tone in written or verbal communications;
- failure by the applicant to act honestly and ethically in their dealings with University of
   Sydney employees, students, applicants or other members of the University community;
- conduct that results in the applicant being excluded from another higher education institution, or from a course or program offered by another higher education institution;
- conduct that gives the University reasonable cause to believe that enrolling the applicant in clinical training may place them, their peers, or members of the public at risk of harm; and
- conduct that results in the applicant being charged with a criminal offence.

### 4. Post-offer requirements

Students who are offered and accept a place in the DMD will be required to fulfil the following requirements prior to starting their course in January of the year of DMD commencement and will receive further information after their offer has been accepted. Students will be required to provide evidence of all compliance documentation e.g. vaccinations, police record check, First Aid Certificate (in English).

### 4.1 NSW Ministry of Health Compliance Checking

The NSW Ministry of Health requires that all students undergo compliance checking before they are permitted to attend any clinical teaching and/or placements at NSW Health facilities.

This includes a number of health and character checks. Please refer to the following link to learn about the COMPULSORY NSW Ministry of Health compliance checks: <a href="https://www.sydney.edu.au/students/clinical-placement-checks.html">https://www.sydney.edu.au/students/clinical-placement-checks.html</a>.

Commencing students will need to complete the <u>blood borne virus declaration form</u> (pdf, 58KB) and have it verified by NSW Health before their first clinical placement. Students will need to repeat this process every three years. Refer to the <u>Information for healthcare</u> <u>students who perform exposure prone procedures</u> (pdf, 97KB).

### 4.2 NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC)

All DMD students are required to provide a WWCC clearance after enrolment <a href="https://sydney.edu.au/students/working-with-children.html">https://sydney.edu.au/students/working-with-children.html</a>. To obtain a WWCC, students must complete the online NSW Working with Children Check application available from the NSW Government, Office of the Children's Guardian web site. Applications are usually completed within days but can take up to 28 working days to complete.

Please note that new students must complete a proof of identity in person in NSW. They cannot complete this transaction from interstate or overseas, they cannot complete it over the phone or online and they cannot delegate it to another person. They will be required to provide an address in Australia when completing an application. International students may wait until their arrival in Australia before submitting an application.

### 4.3 First aid training

All DMD students are required to present an original and current First Aid Training Certificate. (Students should ensure they have this evidence ready to submit by the start of their course.)

Which training course is acceptable? We recommend a First Aid course that demonstrates course outcomes that are equivalent to a 'HLTAID011. First aid training courses have theoretical as well as a practical component. As an example, the majority of first aid training courses are held over 2 days in the classroom or 1 day practical in the classroom with prior online learning.

Here is a list of the content to be covered in an acceptable first aid training course:

Basic Life Support (DRSABCD)

- CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and AED (Automatic External defibrillator)
- Shock Management
- Airway Management Asthma, Choking, Severe Allergic Reaction, Hyperventilation
- Cardiac Emergencies
- Seizures and Convulsions
- Bleeding and Wound Care
- Burns and Scalds
- Extremes of Heat and Cold
- Musculoskeletal Injuries
- Poisons and Toxic Substances
- Envenomation
- Abdominal injuries

Note that current industry standards state that this qualification must be updated every 3 years with the CPR component being updated every 12 months.

Please ensure that your First Aid Completion certificate is in English.

The following organisations conduct recommended First Aid Training courses. However, new students must ensure that their chosen course covers the content listed above.

- Australian Red Cross Society (<a href="https://www.redcross.org.au/">https://www.redcross.org.au/</a>)
- Royal Life Saving Society Australia (<a href="https://www.royallifesaving.com.au/">https://www.royallifesaving.com.au/</a>)
- St. John Ambulance Australia (<a href="https://www.stjohn.org.au/">https://www.stjohn.org.au/</a>)
- Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (<a href="https://susf.com.au">https://susf.com.au</a>)
- Canadian Red Cross (Canada)
- St. John's Ambulance (Canada & USA)
- American Heart Association (USA)

## 4.4 Inherent requirements and professionalism requirements

Please note that all DMD students are also required to:

- meet the Inherent Requirements for Dentistry <a href="https://sydney.edu.au/students/student-responsibilities/inherent-requirements.html">https://sydney.edu.au/students/student-responsibilities/inherent-requirements.html</a>; and
- comply with the <u>Faculty of Medicine and Health Professionalism Requirements</u>
   Provisions 2022.

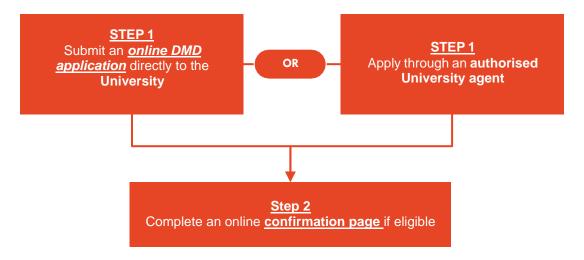
Please note that NSW Health policy dictates that carriage of a range of blood borne infections including Hepatitis C, Hepatitis B, and HIV, excludes infected individuals from performing exposure prone procedures

https://www1.health.nsw.gov.au/PDS/Pages/doc.aspx?dn=PD2019\_026

Because dental students are required to perform a wide range of exposure prone procedures as part of clinical training, infection with any of the relevant viral conditions may preclude students from attending clinics and make completion of the course impossible. For that reason, prospective DMD applicants who have blood borne viral infections are advised to advised to check the following link to learn more about the COMPULSORY NSW Ministry of Health compliance checks: <a href="https://www.sydney.edu.au/students/clinical-placement-checks.html">https://www.sydney.edu.au/students/clinical-placement-checks.html</a>.

### 5. The application process

### 5.1 Admissions steps for international applicants



#### Note:

- 1. Only online applications are accepted.
- 2. Applications received by the University after the deadline will not be considered. If you intend to submit an application through an agent, it is your responsibility to ensure that your agent will complete the required application procedure by the deadline.

### 5.2 Timeline for applications

Please refer to the **timeline** and remember that dates are subject to change.

## 5.3 How to use the online Sydney Student Portal application form

### 5.3.1 Before you begin

Please make sure that you have the required documents ready for uploading to the online Sydney Student Portal application system (refer to the **checklist**).

You will be required to upload scanned documents to complete your online application. These documents do not need to be certified. Please note the maximum file size is 10MB.

#### Note:

- 1. The document upload functionality on the application form does not allow for multiple documents to be uploaded using the same upload button. In order to minimise uploads, you may combine your documents into a single file. The only exception is e-transcripts, which must be uploaded separately to avoid loss of the electronic certification feature.
- 2. Most DMD applicants DO NOT need to upload any of the following documents as they are not considered in the admissions process:

- evidence of membership of professional associations;
- evidence of work experience or resumé;
- information about academic awards or prizes;
- reference letters and letters of recommendation.

#### There are two exceptions, as follows:

- Applicants whose bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January
  of the year for which they are seeking enrolment and who need to demonstrate to the
  satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within
  this 10-year period; and
- Applicants whose registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR who have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in any profession in Australia or overseas.

#### 5.3.2 Document submission guidelines

During the application process, you may be asked to attach supporting documents. These must be true and complete records. You can scan these documents and upload them online. If your official academic transcripts have an electronic certification feature, please ensure that you upload a copy of the online electronic secured document. If your university provides electronic academic documents (e.g., My eQuals, Parchment, MyCreds), only the electronic online version will be accepted.

You should be prepared to provide original documents or original certified copies of supporting documents upon request at any time. Failure to do so may result in your candidacy being rejected.

Detailed checking of supporting documents is an inherent element of our admissions process and may involve asking for verification from the original issuing authority, relevant tertiary admissions centre, or other organisation.

Documents submitted in a language other than English must be accompanied by a complete English translation made by an accredited translator with a government body or the Registrar of the issuing institution.

### 5.3.3 The online application form

If you have not applied for a course at the University before, you will be required to create an account. As part of this process, you will receive several emails confirming your login details.

Please note that some emails/attachments may not be accepted or may be marked as junk or flagged as spam by some mail providers (eg, Hotmail, Yahoo or Gmail) and that some emails may be sent to Outlook's 'Other' inbox if you have the most up to date version of Outlook. If you do not receive any confirmation emails from the University, please check your junk/spam email folder or your Outlooks' 'Other' inbox. Applicants are advised not to provide an email address from one of these providers. If you provide your current university email address, please ensure that it will be active until February 2026.

All communication from the University will be via the Sydney Student Portal and/or via email. It is the responsibility of applicants to check their accounts and the University will not be held responsible for any unread email communication or for any resulting delays or disadvantage. Should you need to change your email address at any stage throughout the admissions process, please contact the University Admissions Office via email (see <a href="Contact Us">Contact Us</a> page at the end of this Guide).

NOTE: Most pages of the online form are generic to all University of Sydney applicants. There are several sections that do not apply to DMD applicants.

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Applicants can submit only one (1) application for each Course for the same intake. Any subsequent application(s) for the same Course will not be accepted. If you identify any issues with an application after submission but prior to applications closing, PLEASE DO NOT WITHDRAW YOUR APPLICATION and submit a new application for the same Course. Instead, outline the required amendments in a Word document and then upload this document to your submitted application using the 'UPLOAD DOCUMENT' function in the Sydney Student Portal.

Please contact the University Admissions Office (see <u>Contact Us</u> page at the end of this Guide) if you require any assistance with the application form. This may include:

- Uploading documents
- Completing the online form
- Submitting the online form
- Making changes to an application after submission (but prior to the application closing date)

#### 5.3.4 Pages in the online application form

#### Your course options

Applicants who are applying for both the DMD and MD must submit **two** separate applications, both with complete supporting documentation, by the deadline to ensure that both applications are assessed.

#### Your personal information

Given name(s) and Family name:

Please ensure the name you use in your application is your full legal name as shown on your passport.

#### **Scholarships**

Where applicable, applicants may provide such information. Please note that this information does not play any role in the admissions process.

### Your qualifications

Is English your first language?
 All applicants must meet the University's English language requirement at the time of application. If English is your first language, you need to have citizenship or permanent long-term residency (minimum 10 years) and have completed secondary or higher education studies in an English speaking country recognised by the University. If English is

not your first language, you must upload proof of English language proficiency eg, official transcripts or IELTS/TOEFL results, at the time of application. Please visit the University's English language requirements website for information on how to demonstrate your proficiency in English.

 Have you ever been excluded or suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution?

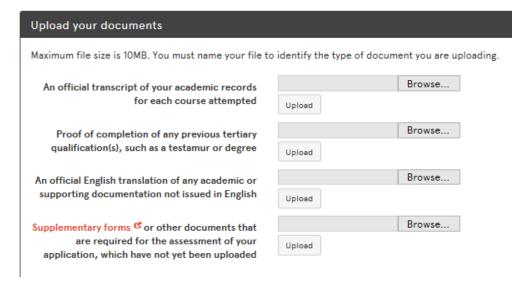
Have you ever been asked to show good cause why your enrolment in any course should not be suspended/terminated?

Have you ever been asked to explain unsatisfactory progress in any course? If you answer 'Yes' to any of these three questions, you MUST upload documents outlining the circumstances.

#### Qualification

Please provide details ONLY of the degrees you have completed or plan to complete before commencing the DMD. Use the check box to 'Add another qualification' for each additional degree.

Upload your documents
 Please upload your portfolio under the supplementary forms section.



Academic prizes or awards

Details of academic prizes or awards may be required only for applicants whose bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which they are seeking enrolment and who need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period.

#### **Further references**

Professional associations

Details of professional associations are required only for applicants whose registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR who have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in any profession in Australia or overseas.

Relevant work experience

Details of relevant work experience are required only for applicants whose bachelor's degree was completed more than 10 years before 1 January of the year for which they are seeking enrolment and who need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period.

#### **Supplementary questions**

- Admissions Guide
  - I confirm that I have read and understood all the information outlined in the current Admissions Guide.
    - You must tick the box next to the question above in order to proceed with the application.
  - What is your QAS number?
     International applicants must enter "930000000".
- Your admissions test results

All applicants must submit eligible admissions test results (as listed below) with their application, as follows:

International applicants to DMD: GAMSAT or DAT or CDAT

If you have results for more than one set of tests listed above, ensure you provide all results on your application. The University will assess all eligible test results and select the GAMSAT/DAT/CDAT results that provide the highest-ranking outcome for each application. Note that individual section scores from different test dates cannot be mixed.

Results from tests taken after the cut-off dates (below) will not be considered. Please DO NOT forward any late results to the University.

#### **GAMSAT**

Eligible GAMSAT results: Despite any contrary advice from ACER or GAMSAT, to be eligible for admission to the DMD at the University of Sydney commencing in 2026 with admissions test results from GAMSAT, applicants must have GAMSAT test results obtained in the past two years. Applicants must therefore submit results from one or more of the following GAMSAT tests: September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, and March 2025.

If you sat the GAMSAT March 2025 test, enter your correct GAMSAT ID on the application form so that the Admissions Office can verify your results as soon as they are released.

Please be advised that neither overall GAMSAT scores nor average GAMSAT scores will be used in the assessment of applications in 2025 for admission to the DMD in 2026. The University does not disclose the ranking of applicants' GAMSAT scores.

From 2024, GAMSAT section numbers will be replaced by section names. GAMSAT Reasoning in Humanities and Social Sciences will replace GAMSAT Section 1, GAMSAT Written Communication will replace GAMSAT Section 2, and GAMSAT Reasoning in Biology and Physical Sciences will replace GAMSAT Section 3.

#### **DAT and CDAT**

For 2026 entry, DAT and CDAT results must have been obtained no earlier than February 2023.

Applicants who wish to submit DAT or CDAT results must arrange with the Dental Association for their results to be delivered to the University or University authorised agent by 28 July 2025.

 Previous studies, deferred or suspended place in a dental program at any higher education institution

If you have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental program at any higher education institution, you MUST answer 'Yes' to the question below, provide further details and upload the required supporting documentation.

Have you ever commenced studies, or do you currently hold a deferred or suspended place in a dental program at any higher education institution? (mandatory question) Yes No

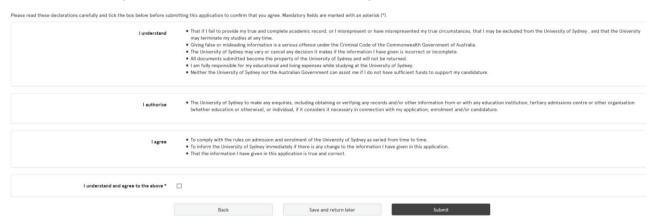
#### Professional misconduct

If your registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR if you have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in, any profession in Australia or overseas, you must click 'Yes' to the question below, provide further details and upload supporting documentation:

Has your registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR have you been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in, any profession in Australia or overseas?

#### 5.3.5 Declaration

You will be required to read the following declarations carefully and tick the box below them before submitting your application to confirm that you agree.



### 5.3.6 Submitting your application

Once you have completed the application form, you must ensure that you *submit your* application. Do not simply save and exit; this is not the same as submitting your application.

Submitting the application includes agreeing to the terms and conditions and declaration. Your application cannot be considered if you do not complete this final step in the application process.

If you have successfully submitted your application, you will receive within 48 hours (excluding weekends), an automated confirmation email containing your 9-digit Student ID number (SID). (For new applicants, the SID will start with 5xxxxxxxxx. For previous applicants it will be the same SID as per your previous application(s)/enrolment(s).) You will then be able to login to your Sydney Student Portal with this Student ID number to view the status of your application. Please check your junk mail folder if you do not receive the email.

In the event that you need to make any changes to your application after submission but prior to the application closing date, DO NOT withdraw the application and attempt to submit a new application. It will not save. Please contact the University Admissions Office (see **Contact Us** page at the end of this Guide) and staff will assist you with your changes.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application as early as possible, so that they will have more time to correct any errors entered on the application form and/or to fix incorrect or incomplete document(s).

If you sat the March 2025 GAMSAT test, enter your correct GAMSAT ID on the application form so that the Admissions Office can verify your results as soon as they are released.

### 5.4 Completing an online confirmation page

Applicants who meet the minimum GPA and admissions test requirements (to be determined by the University once all applications have been received) will be required to complete a confirmation page.

NOTE: An invitation to complete the confirmation page does not indicate that an applicant will be made an offer.

All other applicants will be notified that their application has been unsuccessful at the same time.

Eligible applicants will be sent a request via email (NOT via the Sydney Student Portal) to complete the confirmation page. The email will include the deadline by which applicants must submit the confirmation page.

The confirmation page will require eligible applicants to check and confirm the details they entered on their application, pertaining to the admissions criteria set out in this Guide (eg, GPA, GAMSAT/DAT/CDAT etc.).

Applicants must check the confirmation page carefully. The information confirmed on the confirmation page will be considered as final, and applications will be processed on the basis of this information.

Applicants who find any incorrect information must submit an error report as instructed on the confirmation page. This must be done prior to the deadline - no changes can be accepted after the deadline. After an error report is submitted, and if there is found to be an error, the error will be corrected, and the applicant will receive a further request and a new deadline (if required) to complete the confirmation page.

Eligible applicants who have applied to both the MD and DMD will be required to complete only one confirmation page. The information confirmed on the confirmation page will be considered by both schools.

### 5.5 Applicants requiring further assessment

The following applicants who meet the minimum GPA and admissions test requirements may be required to attend an on-line interview as part of the admission process:

1. Applicants who have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course, or asked to show good cause or explain unsatisfactory progress in a course

Applicants who have previously been excluded or involuntarily suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution, or asked to show good cause or explain unsatisfactory progress in a course, must indicate this on their application form and submit documentation detailing the circumstances.

The University will take into account relevant documentation when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the DMD.

 Applicants whose professional registration has been suspended, cancelled or made subject to conditions, or who have been disqualified from applying for professional registration

Applicants whose registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR who have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in any profession in Australia or overseas must indicate this on their application form and provide relevant documentation.

The University will take into account relevant documentation when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the DMD.

3. Applicants who have commenced studies\*, or hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental program

Applicants for the DMD who have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental program (excluding an oral health program) at any higher education institution must:

- a. indicate this on their application form; and
- b. provide the reason(s) for discontinuation or deferral or suspension; and
- c. upload the relevant academic transcript or documentation.

Exceptions may apply- see the 'EXCEPTIONS' section below.

The University will take into account an applicant's previous record in a dental program and/or their reason(s) for discontinuation, deferral or suspension, when deciding whether to make an offer of admission to the DMD.

Applicants who have previously applied unsuccessfully for admission to the DMD and have commenced studies in postgraduate dentistry at another University are not eligible for admission.

\*For this purpose, applicants are considered to have commenced their studies on the date on which they first enrolled in the dental program.

Applicants who require an interview will be contacted via email with further details.

#### **Exceptions**

Applicants who are currently completing the final year of an undergraduate degree as part of a double degree dental program should answer NO to the question on the application form: Have you commenced studies, or do you currently hold a deferred or suspended place in a dental program at any higher education institution? (mandatory question)

# 6. Application checklist – International applicants

1.	Proof of citizenship: You must provide a copy of your valid (not expired) passport photo page. Please note that other forms of identity documents will not be accepted.
2.	If you completed or will complete your bachelor's degree (pass or honours) with at least 2 years of full-time study (or equivalent) at the awarding institution, which is a recognised institution, between 1 January 2016 and 1 January 2026:  If undertaken at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents.  If not undertaken at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:  i. a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts*; or  ii. an electronic academic transcript issued by My eQuals, Parchment or MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities).  *An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney does not accept
	internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.  Go to Step 5.
3.	If you completed your bachelor's degree (pass or honours) with at least 2 years of full-time study (or equivalent) at the awarding institution, which is a recognised institution, prior to 1 January 2016 <i>and</i> you either have completed/will complete a postgraduate diploma or master's by coursework of at least one year FTE or were awarded/will be awarded a master's degree by research or PhD from a recognised institution between 1 January 2016 and 1 January 2026:
	<ul> <li>If undertaken at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents.</li> <li>If not undertaken at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:         <ol> <li>a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts*; or</li> <li>electronic academic transcripts issued by My eQuals, Parchment or MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities).</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	*An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney <b>does not</b> accept

	internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records,	
	or any other unofficial transcript.	
	Go to Step 5.	
4.	If you completed your bachelor's degree (pass or honours) with at least 2 years of full-time study (or equivalent) at the awarding institution, which is a recognised institution, prior to 1 January 2016 <i>and</i> you need to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the University sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period:	
	<ul> <li>If undertaken at the University of Sydney, you do not need to provide your University of Sydney official transcript(s) at the time of application, but you do need to supply all other required documents.</li> <li>If not undertaken at the University of Sydney, you must provide either:         <ol> <li>a full (all pages) OFFICIAL transcript of your academic records for each program attempted at a tertiary level, and proof of qualification for any previous tertiary degree(s) if not stated on your transcripts**; or</li> <li>an electronic academic transcript issued by My eQuals, Parchment or MyCreds (mandatory for all participating universities).</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
	**An official transcript is a university's certified statement of your academic record. It contains the university seal. It must contain all pages and all results that are available at the time of application. The University of Sydney does not accept internal transcripts, online statements of results, printouts of academic records, or any other unofficial transcript.  You must also provide supporting documentation for sustained research productivity in a relevant discipline within this 10-year period.	
	Go to Step 5.	
5.	When you have eligible admissions test results:	
	<ul> <li>□ If you are providing GAMSAT results, you must enter your correct results for ALL eligible GAMSAT tests (September 2023, March 2024, September 2024, March 2025 ONLY) on your online application form. If you sat the March 2025 GAMSAT test, enter your correct GAMSAT ID on the application form so that the Admissions Office can verify your results as soon as they are released.</li> <li>□ If you are providing DAT or CDAT results, you must arrange with the Dental Association for your results for ALL valid tests to be delivered to the University or authorised University agent by 28 July 2025.</li> </ul>	
6	You must submit your portfolio following the <a href="instructions">instructions</a> provided by the University of Sydney.	
7.	If you have previously been excluded or suspended from a course at a tertiary education institution, or asked to show good cause or explain unsatisfactory progress in a course:	

	☐ You must provide documentation outlining the circumstances
8.	If you have commenced studies, or currently hold a deferred or suspended place, in a dental program at any higher education institution:
	☐ You must provide a transcript for your previous studies, or provide relevant documentation for deferral or suspension in a dental program at a tertiary institution.
o.	If your registration in any profession, in Australia or overseas, has been suspended or cancelled or made subject to conditions/undertakings/limitations OR if you have been disqualified from applying for registration for, or been the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings in, any profession in Australia or overseas:
	You must provide documentation regarding your professional misconduct in Australia or overseas.
10.	If English is your first language:
	You must have citizenship or permanent long-term residency (minimum 10 years) and have completed secondary or higher education studies in an English speaking country recognised by the University.
	If English is not your first language:
	You must upload proof of <a href="English language proficiency">English language proficiency</a> eg, official transcripts or IELTS/TOEFL results, at the time of application.
11.	If you have had a change of name:
	You must provide official documentation to verify your change of name.
12	If your name on your academic documents does not match the name on your identity documents:
	You must provide either (a) up-to-date academic documents with your legal name, or (b) a letter from the office of the Registrar of the issuing institution confirming your legal name.
13.	If any of your documents are in a language other than English:
	You must provide an official/certified English translation of any document not issued in English as well as original language versions of those documents.

Even if you have previously applied for a course at the University of Sydney and provided documents at that time, you must provide all required documents for your new application to the DMD as per the checklist. If you are applying for both the MD and DMD, you must submit two separate applications and upload complete supporting documentation to each application by the deadline.

It is your responsibility to ensure that all necessary documents listed above are uploaded to your application.

### 7. Contact Us

### **Student Centre**

### **Online**

Make an online enquiry via <a href="http://sydney.edu.au/contact-us.html">http://sydney.edu.au/contact-us.html</a>

#### **Phone**

1800 SYD UNI (1800 793 864) +61 2 8627 1444 (outside Australia)

### **University Admissions Office**

#### **Email**

admissions.dentistry@sydney.edu.au

(in the subject line include your application ID (i.e IPU00xxxxxxx) or 9-digit Student ID Number (SID) and that you are an *international* applicant)