GENERAL PRACTICE RESIDENCY (GPR)

Admission Requirements

Admission requirements and application deadline may be found on ADEA PASS.

One-Year and Optional Second-Year Program

The individual resident may identify major areas of interest, such as specific clinical disciplines, teaching or research. Upon satisfactory completion of the program, residents receive a certificate in general practice from the School of Dentistry.

The program also offers positions in the optional second-year program to a finishing first-year resident. The second year is unique and includes advanced instructions in identified major interest of the resident such as specific clinical disciplines, research and the opportunity to teach students at the pre-doctoral level.

Goals & Objectives

- To provide advanced training in the general practice of dentistry at the postdoctoral level.
- To provide clinical and hospital experience and service in comprehensive and emergency oral care to a wide range of patients with regard to dental complexity, medically, physically and mentally compromising conditions, including age (geriatric and pediatric) and socioeconomic status (indigent and privileged).
- To provide extensive clinical, didactic and hospital opportunities for interdisciplinary interaction between the resident and other health care providers.
- To provide didactic information and clinical guidance in communicative, behavioral management and practice management skills and apply them to the practice of dentistry.
- To provide an appropriate environment for critical review and presentation of literature and the pursuit of individual research interests and career goals.

Generally applications for GPR Program are considered on the following basis:

- Completed Application
- Attitudes, willingness to learn and interpersonal skills
- Transcript/pattern of academic achievement
- Recommendation on clinical abilities
- Personal interviews
- National Board scores
- Class standing
- Grade point average

Admission from Non-ADA Accredited Schools

Graduates from non-ADA accredited schools may be required to complete this school's minimum six-month preceptorship in general dentistry to apply for the program. Questions on this may be directed to the program director. Furthermore, completion of the preceptorship does not guarantee admission to the Graduate General Dentistry Programs. Information on the preceptorship is available from the Office of Continuing Education.