

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND FACULTY



Course descriptions are grouped by department. Courses are numbered by year: first-year predoctoral courses in the 100s, second-year predoctoral courses in the 200s, and third-year predoctoral courses in the 300s. Graduate courses are similarly numbered by year: first-year graduate courses in the 400s, second-year graduate courses in the 500s, and third-year graduate courses in the 600s. Course lists for the DDS and IDS programs are available in this catalog under Program. Units of credit are listed after the course title. More than a single unit value is reported when there is a difference in contact hours between DDS and IDS courses.

If additional work is needed to reach competency in previously completed courses, supplemental instruction offering additional customized and intensive instruction in targeted didactic, laboratory, and clinical competencies will be offered by the faculty.

Units of Credit

One unit of credit is awarded for ten hours of lecture or seminar, twenty hours of laboratory or clinic, or thirty hours of independent study per term. In the predoctoral programs (DDS and IDS), students are assigned to comprehensive care clinics for approximately 650 hours during the second year and 1,000 hours during the third, in addition to specialty clinic rotations. Units of credit are assigned in the comprehensive care clinical disciplines in proportion to the amount of time an average student spends providing specific types of care for assigned patterns.

Courses are taught on a permanent or interim (continuing) basis. Course numbers followed by the letter 'I' indicate interim courses which are taught over two or more quarters. Units assigned to interim courses build upon each preceding quarter's unit value and culminate in a final and permanent unit value. The final unit value is transcribed with the permanent course while interim courses and corresponding unit values can be found on report cards.

Full-time enrollment in the predoctoral programs at the School of Dentistry (DDS and IDS) is defined as 16 or more units per term. Full-time enrollment in the graduate residency programs in orthodontics and endodontics and in the dental fellowship and internship programs is defined as 20 or more units per term.