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DMD CLASS OF 2026!
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Changing the Future of Oral Health

Through excellence in oral health education, patient care and research powered by innovation and community.

**OUR VISION**

Our vision is to provide excellence in oral health education, research, and service, through improving the health and wellness of our communities, providing exemplary care for our patients, and advancing the knowledge to do so.

**OUR MISSION**

- To educate oral health professionals and scholars who excel in a complex, multicultural and technologically changing world;
- To discover and translate new knowledge at the boundaries of science, transforming oral health care practice, social systems and related individuals, families and communities;
- To provide oral and health education & clinical services of the highest quality with an emphasis on enhancing health equity and social justice for individuals and communities;
- To prepare health professionals in addressing the challenges of access to care affecting underserved populations;
- To collaborate with our urban and rural community partners in mutually beneficial ways; and
- To advocate for public policies, perceptions, and practices that lead to inclusion of oral health as an integral part of the inter-professional emphasis on the health of the communities we serve.
Welcome from the Associate Dean of Student and Diversity Affairs

Welcome to the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry!

I would like to add my congratulations to you on your decision to attend our College. The major role of the Office of Student and Diversity Affairs is to assist you in the curricular and extracurricular aspects of your education. We hope that you will see Student Affairs as a supportive and responsive place in which you can find help for your efforts in coping with the academic and personal demands of dental school. Helping dental students to develop into empathic, compassionate, knowledgeable dentists who are enthusiastic about their profession is one of our goals.

We look forward to working with each of you.

Dr. Darryl Pendleton, DMD
Associate Dean of Student and Diversity Affairs
Executive Director of the UIC Urban Health Program
The Office of Student & Diversity Affairs hopes you are enjoying the summer and that your preparations for the start of dental school are going well. As you all know, August is just around the corner, and the beginning of your professional education and career will be here before you know it!!

In an effort to help you prepare for orientation and classes, we will be sending updates throughout this period to remind you about important items that you will want to address before orientation. Please make sure that you read each update in its entirety, as there will be information for which we will be requiring your response. This is the first of several updates that you will be receiving covering topics pertinent to your matriculation in August 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. We look forward to working with each of you to prepare for your professional education. You have made a wonderful choice in your decision to attend the UIC College of Dentistry. The staff in the Office of Student and Diversity Affairs looks forward to helping make this a smooth transition and an enriching, fun, and rewarding educational experience.
Financial Aid Information & Resources

Please be reminded that if you are planning on financing your education with loans, you should file a **2022-2023 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** form. This should be done as soon as possible as it opened October 2021. If you have not yet done that, please do so immediately! **UIC's Title IV Code is 001776.** This is an online free application which you can access through the FAFSA website at: [http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/)

You can also find additional instructions on completing the FAFSA 2022-2023 Free Application for Federal Student Aid at:

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LK0bbu0y5AM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LK0bbu0y5AM)
- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1c1gNefSw78](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1c1gNefSw78)

Federal Student Aid Information Center, 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243), this is a toll-free number.

*The completed FAFSA form will be sent to the UIC Financial Aid office, award notifications will be sent to students beginning in November 2021.*

If you have questions regarding the status of your FAFSA form or Student Aid Report, please contact:

**Ms. Bianca Sanchez**  
Assistant Director  
UIC Office of Student Financial Aid (M/C 334)  
1200 W. Harrison St., Suite 1800 | Chicago, IL 60607  
Email: bsanch5@uic.edu | Phone: (312) 996 -3126
Financial Aid Information & Resources (Cont'd)

In order to help you to better prepare financially for the approaching school year, below are estimated figures for the 2022-2023 Academic School Year (Fall 2022, Spring 2023, and Summer 2023). Please note that the numbers listed below may not reflect the exact amount that you will receive; financial aid funds are based on your individual circumstances. Financial aid funds are disbursed in thirds (Fall, Spring, and Summer) every semester.

Check your aid status at [https://my.uic.edu/common](https://my.uic.edu/common)
UIC Financial Aid Homepage: [https://financialaid.uic.edu](https://financialaid.uic.edu)

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| Personal Expenses - $2,000                       | Personal Expenses - $2,000                       | Personal Expenses - $2,000                       |
| Transportation - $800                           | Transportation - $800                           | Transportation - $800                           |
| Loan Fees - $600                                | Loan Fees - $600                                | Loan Fees - $600                                |

| TOTAL Instate - $36,674                          | TOTAL Instate - $36,674                          | TOTAL Instate - $36,674                          |
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*These numbers are an estimate and subject to change. The final numbers will be on your award notification letters that you will receive later this spring. Additional information will be available at the June D1 Summer Meeting.*
The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) has developed a set of videos to assist new students through financial planning. Paul Garrard, consultant and financial aid expert who works with ADEA, has recorded a presentation on how to Finance your Dental Education. Additionally, Mr. Garrard has other YouTube videos that we recommend that you watch.

- **Financing Your Dental Education:**
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tsIbMqXCG_0

- **Introduction:** Key messages and important items to consider as you view the presentation. http://youtu.be/q5do5y6Y0M8


- **Part 2:** Important information about what you will be borrowing, terms and conditions, repayment examples, and why dental school graduates are well known for responsible repayment. http://youtu.be/25_Ha1_x9c

- **Part 3:** Changes to loan programs and things to keep on your radar screen during dental school that may impact your repayment strategy. http://youtu.be/t9FchUgky0A

- **Part 4:** Relationship between student loans and credit, and how they can help you build a positive credit history. http://youtu.be/iaCdMiVsqFo

- **Part 5:** Some common sense ways to keep on top of your borrowing during dental school and resources to help. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnQhVXXN368
To access videos and other resources that inform and support dental students, please visit the following link:

https://www.adea.org/current-students/Education-Debt-Management.aspx

The AAMC/ADEA Dental Loan Organizer and Calculator can also help, which can be located here: https://www.aamc.org/services/fao-first/godental/

**Other Resources**

AAMC/ADEA Dental Loan Organizer and Calculator (DLOC),
https://www.aamc.org/services/fao-first/godental/
D1 Summer Prematriculation Meeting (Virtual) & Orientation

*SAVE THE DATES*

**D1 Summer Meeting**
The Office of Student and Diversity Affairs along with the UIC Financial Aid office will host a virtual webinar to answer all your pre-matriculation and financial aid related questions on **Thursday, June 2, 2022 from 8:30am — 3:00pm Central Standard Time (CST)**. **Attendance at the Summer Meeting is required for all students.** You will be able to join us via the internet from the comfort of your home or office to obtain great financial aid information. Please send any questions that you have so that we may be able to submit them to our financial aid department ahead of time.

**D1 Orientation Week**
Orientation is **Monday August 15 - Friday August 19, 2022**. Students should plan to be present on campus from 8:00am - 5:00pm for all orientation sessions and activities. Students will complete pre-matriculation tasks prior to orientation in late July (Dates To Be Announced). A detailed agenda of events will be provided in the finalized the orientation guide. Please note that orientation is mandatory for all incoming students; there are no exceptions to this requirement. If a student fails to attend the entire orientation, they will be automatically withdrawn from the program.

**Attendance at these events are required!**
WHITE COAT CEREMONY 2022

The White Coat Ceremony is an annual tradition marking the matriculating class of students entering the dental profession. It celebrates the choice to pursue a life in service to the health of society. During the Ceremony, UIC College of Dentistry deans and faculty members cloak students in their first white coat as a symbol of the trust bestowed upon them to carry on the healing profession on dentistry. Due to the ongoing pandemic and University restrictions, we will confirm when the White Coat Ceremony can take place for your class.
COD Academic Calendar

College of Dentistry Academic Calendar

Spring /Summer 2022
Friday, March 25, 2022: Criminal Background Check & Supplemental Application due
Thursday, June 2, 2022: D1 Summer Meeting
Thursday, June 30, 2022: Transcripts with Degree posted due
Tuesday, July 5, 2022: Castlebranch Immunizations Tracker due
Friday, July 22, 2022: Deadline to submit Photo to obtain I-Card

Fall Term 2022
Monday to Friday, August 15-19, 2022: D1 Orientation
Monday, August 22, 2022: D1 Classes Begin
Monday, September 5, 2022: Labor Day—Closed
Monday to Friday, November 21-25, 2022: Thanksgiving Break - no classes or clinics*
December 16, 2022: Classes & Clinics End *

Spring Term 2022
Tuesday, January 3, 2023: Classes & Clinics Begin
Monday, January 16, 2023: MLK Day - Closed

*Schedule subject to change
COVID-19 Information & Resources

University Vaccination Guidelines
UIC requires all registered students be vaccinated. Masks are required at all times; students not fully vaccinated must maintain social distance. Vaccination information should be uploaded to the healthcheck.uic.edu website. Additional information on vaccinations can be found at the following website: https://uihealth.uic.edu/covid-19-information-resources/covid-19_vaccine-info.

UIC Today | COVID-19 Resource Dashboard
The university is committed to safeguarding the UIC community while remaining focused on its mission. The UIC COVID-19 Dashboard builds on the campus plan by combining data from multiple sources to maintain transparency, observe and track trends, illustrate the impact of the pandemic, and support informed decision-making related to campus operations. To access this comprehensive list of resources and updates regarding COVID-19, please visit the following website: https://today.uic.edu/coronavirus?utm_source=homepage&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=covid-19

Text COVID19 to 78015
To receive the City of Chicago's COVID-19 text alerts.
myUIC/UIC Connect

Access myUIC Account
All newly admitted students should log on to myUIC, the University of Illinois at Chicago portal for incoming students. As a newly admitted student, this site will serve as your gateway to the University from now through graduation. Please click on “Activate” your portal account. You will need your UIN (University Identification Number) and a Token. Tokens are sent to all newly admitted students via email within 10 business days after admission.

- [https://my.uic.edu/](https://my.uic.edu/)

University Identification Number (UIN): Your 9 digit UIC UIN is an important identifying source for your records. Please include this number when emailing or speaking with any University office. You must use your UIC email address when corresponding.

Sign up for Direct Deposit
You will be able to access your financial aid award letter via your myUIC account. Once you have established your account, it is also recommended that you set-up direct deposit. In order to receive a refund you need to be enrolled in direct deposit. Below please find the instructions.

- [https://paymybill.uillinois.edu/DirectDeposit](https://paymybill.uillinois.edu/DirectDeposit)

Activate your UIC email account
After you activate your myUIC student account you can create your UIC student email account.

- [https://it.uic.edu/services-support/student-resources/email/](https://it.uic.edu/services-support/student-resources/email/)
Transcripts

Our dental school requires proof of a US earned Bachelor’s and/or Master’s degree as reported on your AADSAS application. All newly admitted D1 students must submit an official copy of all transcripts with the degree posted. We cannot obtain copies from AADSAS. Students should also submit master’s degree transcripts and any other college or university transcript that posts prerequisite coursework or science coursework for dental school. Transcripts should be in our office no later than Thursday, June 30, 2022. Electronic transcripts can be sent to Ms. Carolyn Feller (cfeller@uic.edu) or Ms. Hannah Bonecutter (bonecut1@uic.edu). Please send an beforehand alerting us that you will be sending an OFFICIAL electronic copy to our email address. Physical copies can be sent to the address listed below:

UIC College of Dentistry, DMD Admissions
ATTN: Carolyn Feller
801 S. Paulina Street, Room 104, Chicago IL 60612

Supplemental Application

Students should submit a completed application along with a copy of an official form of identification, by Friday, March 25, 2022. Email document as a PDF attachment to: UIC_Sup_p5ycj5e0h33wepvt@u.box.com and name it using the following format: Last Name, First Name_UICSupplementalApp_DMD2025.

Course Registration

The College of Dentistry Office of Academic Affairs (OAA) will send you registration information over the Summer. Once you set up your UIC student account, you will be able to use this portal to register for classes too. Instructions on how to register will be provided by (OAA) once course information is available.
MyPhotoSubmit Upload for UIC I-Card
In order to remain compliant with COVID-19 distancing regulations, students and employees are now allowed to upload their own photo for their I-Card using the MyPhotoSubmit portal. More information can be found via https://www.icardnet.uillinois.edu/public/photo-submit.cfm.

How MyPhotoSubmit works
You will be required to log in, upload a photo, and submit for review. When your eligibility is confirmed and your photo is accepted, your ID is printed. When your ID is ready for pickup, you will be instructed to pick up your ID at a Student Center so that you may claim and activate your ID. Most of the time, it takes only a few business days for an acceptable photo to be reviewed, accepted, and the ID printed. However, during fall and spring rush, the wait time can be longer.

Getting your photo accepted
The single most frequent reason for "delays" in MyPhotoSubmit is failure to submit a photo that meets the requirements. The photo requirements are purposeful and precise: read them carefully. Think of it this way, your i-card is an official U of I System identification... a yearbook photo or a Snapchat pic just won't do.

You can cancel or change your photo any time before it’s reviewed. You are allowed three (3) attempts to submit an acceptable photo. If your photo is not approved after 3 tries, you will no longer be able to use the service, and instead you will be required to go to an ID center.
Using MyPhotoSubmit
- Login using your university NetID and password
- Choose a suitable photo from your photo library
- Read and accept the Terms of Use, and check the "Email me status updates" option
- Submit your photo

Photo Requirements

The Background
- Use a plain, well-lit background
- Make sure it's clear of other objects and people
- Avoid unnatural lighting and shadows

The Face
- Eyes should be open and facing the camera
- No sunglasses
- Full face must be front facing and centered
- No head coverings or hats
- No silly facial expressions or filters

The Photo
- Must show the top of head and shoulders
- Reflects your current appearance
- Must be a .jpg
- Must be perfectly square (1:1 ratio)
- Cannot exceed 1000 pixels per side
Housing: On-Campus

UIC Housing Office
The UIC Housing office provides information and offers many services that you may find helpful in making your living arrangements, whether on- or off-campus. For more information or for housing general questions including application and contract agreements, contact the UIC Housing Office.

Phone: 312-355-6300 | Email: housing@uic.edu
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:00pm

ON-CAMPUS Housing
The College of Dentistry is located on the west-side of UIC’s campus. The residence hall for graduate health professional students is located on the medical campus 3 blocks west of the dental school. This dorm is called Single Student Residence (SSR).

Single Student Residence (SSR) at West Campus
Location: 809 S. Damen Ave | Chicago, IL 60612
This building is mainly for graduate and professional students, as well as for undergraduate students 24 years of age or older. This building is apartment style, with each student having an individual bedroom and sharing a kitchenette and bathroom within each unit. Each bedroom has a private telephone line (must be activated; additional fees may apply). As this building is for graduate and professional students, the entire building is intensive study. For more information please contact the housing office and or visit the SSR website at http://housing.uic.edu/halls/ssr.
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

Many students may choose to live off-campus. A resource available to you is the Off-Campus Housing Service, the UIC off-campus directory which provides up-to-date listings accessible to students, faculty, and staff of UIC. The directory can be accessed via https://offcampushousing.uic.edu. All individuals with a NetID (created upon completion of your student account) are able to view these listings around the Chicagoland area. Users are also able to search for roommates, post listings for rental properties, and subletting.

If you decide to stay off campus, you may choose to consider places that are within walking distance from the college. To do a search for areas close to the college please perform a search for the following Chicago neighborhoods: Little Italy, University Village, UIC/Medical District/Tri-Taylor. There is also an apartment complex within a 5 minute walk to the college, SCIO at Medical District Apartments. For info, please visit http://www.sciochicago.com.

Following are websites that may be of use to you in your search for an apartment:

- www.padmapper.com
- http://chicago.craigslist.org
- http://www.chicagoreader.com
- http://chicago.apartments.com
- http://www.apartmentpeople.com
Living In Chicago

Words of Advice
We recommend that you research the neighborhood in which you are interested in. Chicago is a big city with many diverse neighborhoods; this helpful website will assist you in exploring the many diverse neighborhoods:


If finances are a concern, we recommend that you do not rush into signing a housing contract (lease) until you are aware of all your housing options. We also recommend students visit Chicago to view the apartment and area in which they are interested in, prior to signing a lease. Calculate what you can realistically afford before making your decision. Be aware that heating costs may not be included in your rent and may be a separate expense.

U-Pass & Additional Transportation
Full-time students have access to the U-Pass program for travel via the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) bus and elevated/subway train systems. Students traveling from the suburban areas may add transit value to the U-Pass/Ventra Cards for use with the PACE system. The Metra system accesses the suburban and outer city areas, and is not covered by the UIC UPASS. For additional information please visit:

- https://idcenter.uic.edu/faq/u-pass-faqs/
- https://www.pacebus.com/campus-connection
- https://www.metrarail.com/
Campus Safety/Clery Act

The Clery Act
Named in honor of Jeanne Clery, a college freshman of Lehigh University in Pennsylvania who was assaulted and murdered in her campus dorm room in 1986. After her death, Jeanne’s parents advocated for federal legislation to make colleges and universities safer, resulting in the enactment of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, or Clery Act. The Act is a federal consumer protection law that aims to provide transparency around campus crime policy and statistics.

The Act requires colleges and universities that receive federal funding to disseminate a public annual report to employees and students every October 1st. The report must include statistics of campus crime for the preceding 3 calendar years, plus details about efforts taken to improve campus safety. Colleges and universities that have on-campus student housing facilities must also disseminate fire safety policies and statistics for their on-campus student housing facilities. UIC complies with the Clery Act by annually publishing the UIC Annual Security and Fire Safety Report (ASFSR). The ASFSR also includes policy statements regarding crime reporting, campus facility security and access, law enforcement authority, incidence of alcohol and drug use, and the prevention of/response to sexual assault, domestic or dating violence, and stalking. You can find additional information located on the UIC Campus Police website: https://police.uic.edu/crime-data/clery-act/. You can also obtain a copy of the UIC annual safety report by visiting: https://police.uic.edu/crime-data/annual-safety-report/.
University Student Services

Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (OVCSA)
As incoming students at UIC, you have numerous campus resources available to you. The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs has a wealth of information for students. Their mission is "to foster student success and affinity by creating experiences that engage students in programs and services that support their learning and personal development.” More information can be found below.

Student Services Building (SSB) | East Campus
1200 W. Harrison St.; Chicago, IL 60607
- Academic Center for Excellence | https://ace.uic.edu/
- Counseling Center | https://counseling.uic.edu/index.shtml
- Disability Resource Center | https://drc.uic.edu/
- Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs | http://vcsa.uic.edu/
- Office of Financial Aid | https://financialaid.uic.edu/

The above offices are located in the Student Services Building (SSB) on East Campus, along with a host of other offices and utilized by university students.

UIC Children's Center
1919 W. Taylor St., Rm 116; Chicago, IL 60612 | https://childrenscenter.uic.edu/

The UIC Children’s Center provides early childhood education and care to 50 preschool children of UIC students, faculty, and staff. The children range in age from two years, nine months to six years. The Center is licensed by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children and participates as a community partner in the Chicago Public Schools Ready to Learn program.
Now that you are part of the UIC family, it is important that you become familiar with the school and city. Please take time to review the following University Virtual Tours, I specifically recommend that you view the **Illinois Medical District, Student Centers, and the New Recreation Facility videos.**


In addition, please review the WEST and EAST side University Maps. COD is located on the West Campus so it will be important to become familiar with the maps shown below.

- [www.uic.edu/uic/about/visit/map_west.shtml](http://www.uic.edu/uic/about/visit/map_west.shtml)
Background Check
UIC College of Dentistry requires that all students complete a background check prior to matriculation into the Doctor of Dental Medicine and Advanced Standing Programs. Information regarding the College’s **Policy Regarding Background Checks** can be found on the [New Students](#) page. To facilitate this process, the College has identified an independent vendor to provide the required background screening. A document providing direction on how to proceed with the background check accompanies this letter. If you have never served in the US military, please contact customer support and notify them of this once you request the check. **The deadline to complete the background check is Friday March 25, 2022.**

Immunization Forms
Included in the website resources, you will find the Castle Branch Background Check/Immunization Instruction Sheet and additional documents regarding COD’s Immunization Requirements and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). Please have your healthcare provider complete the Immunization form NOW and obtain the appropriate lab tests, as some vaccination schedules take months to complete. Once your forms and labs are complete, you will upload them into a secure web-based program via the Castlebranch Immunization Tracker, that will review your records and confirm if anything is missing. **Information will be updated by Clinical Affairs as provided. Questions regarding immunization requirements should be directed to Ms. Jennifer Bereckis Jacobucci ([bereckis@uic.edu](mailto:bereckis@uic.edu)).** **The deadline to upload forms and meet compliance is Tuesday July 5, 2022.**

Bloodborne Pathogen Policy
The COD is committed to providing a safe and healthful clinic environment. In pursuit of this goal, an exposure control plan (ECP) is implemented to eliminate or minimize occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens in accordance with OSHA standard 29 CFR 1910.1030, “Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens.” Please review the Blood Pathogen Policy found on the website under Student Resources.
Collection of Teeth

As part of the dental curriculum, you will learn root canal therapy mainly by performing root canal procedures on extracted human teeth that you collect. You will need many average size, intact, hydrated, (not dry/brittle) teeth of all types: maxillary and mandibular molars, pre-molars and anterior teeth (restored teeth are acceptable).

It is important that you begin collecting teeth now! Start with your family dentist. Ask an orthodontist about other dentists in your area who extract teeth (oral surgeons and periodontist can be helpful). It is very important that you have a wide variety of teeth. All these dentists were once students too and learned their skills using extracted teeth they collected from practicing dentists, so they fully understand. The extracted teeth may contain restorations but should otherwise be of good quality (not severely broken down by decay or damaged during extraction), and must be hydrated.

You should plan to collect teeth from several offices in order to obtain enough teeth for your dental education. You should have at least a quart jar filled with usable teeth (and many more teeth are strongly recommended) by the time you matriculate.

Here, you will find a letter that you may print and provide to dentists that you approach. Please pay particular attention to the Guidelines for Infection Control in Dental Health Care Settings.
A laptop and an iPad are required for your dental school education. For general communication, homework, Axium and network access, you will need a laptop in order to be able to review the assigned weekly course requirements, using special course software.

With consideration of the College’s innovative DMD curriculum, you will need an iPad for all written and station examinations, pre-clinic huddle sessions and small group learning (SGL). Please note that Android tablets are not an acceptable alternative as the software used at the College is specific to iPad only. Students can receive discounts through Apple's Education Purchase Program: [http://www.apple.com/us-hed/shop/buy-ipad/ipad-pro](http://www.apple.com/us-hed/shop/buy-ipad/ipad-pro)

Please use the hyperlinks below to review the iPad and laptop requirements to ensure that the technology that you purchase will be compatible with College and University systems. For further information, please contact Ms. Angelica Alvarez (aalvar51@uic.edu) or Mr. Matthew Brown (mbrown46@uic.edu), in the Office of Academic Affairs.
Due to the nature of the dental school hybrid curriculum, dental students are utilizing a variety of web conferencing platforms. The University Academic Computing and Communications Center (ACCC) offers a variety of Web conferencing tools that allow you to interact with others over the Internet. You can share your computer screen, poll, and chat with attendees. ACCC offers web conferencing solutions through Blackboard Collaborate, Cisco Webex, Google Meet, Microsoft Teams and Zoom.

Once you set up your UIC account you will be able to access these resources. We highly encourage you to begin familiarizing yourself with the different web conferencing platforms as you will be expected to utilize them once you matriculate. To begin browsing, please visit the website listed below:

https://accc.uic.edu/services/communication-collaboration/conferencing/

Once you access the ACCC website you will be able to see Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ’s) and a Quick Guide for Students for each platform.
Campus Care
The University of Illinois at Chicago requires that all eligible students be covered by health insurance and provides a plan for which the fee is automatically assessed along with other tuition and fees. UIC’s student health insurance is called “Campus Care”. Eligible students include all registered Undergraduate, Graduate, and Health Professional students. There is no enrollment form to complete. Students with comparable health insurance coverage, for example through a spouse, legal guardian or an employer, can waive out of the program by submitting an online waiver form; deadlines to waive are located on the website. For additional information about Campus Care please visit: http://www.uic.edu/hsc/campuscare/faq/aboutmenu.html.

UIC Parking
The UIC Campus Parking Office is located in the lower level of Student Center West (SCW). You will be able to purchase a parking pass once you obtain your UIC I-Card. To review parking rates, maps, the application, forms, and other info, please visit http://www.uic.edu/depts/avcad/parking. Please note that the College of Dentistry does not have jurisdiction over parking assignments.

Lockers
During orientation, you will be assigned two lockers that you will use for different activities at different times during your program. You will need to purchase 2 combination locks. If combination locks are used, you are encouraged to program each of the locks with one combination or easy to remember combinations. No mini locks please.
Please note the College of Dentistry's policy on scrubs. The UIC College of Dentistry DMD/AS Policy states, "Students who have matriculated in August of 2018 and beyond are required to own one pair of navy scrubs with the embroidered UIC COD logo (navy dress scrubs), available for purchase only at the UIC Bookstore". These scrubs will be referred to as your navy “dress scrubs”. Cohorts may be requested to wear them on occasion. Unless notified in advance, students are permitted to wear navy scrubs from the vendor of their choice, the UIC COD logo is optional for these scrubs (not required).

All students are required to wear scrubs while in the building. Scrubs should be clean; top and bottom should be of a matching color.

To buy your UIC COD navy dress scrubs please visit the UIC Bookstore website.

The UIC Medical Bookstore
828 S. Wolcott Ave. | Chicago, IL 60612
Mon-Wed-Fri | 8:30 am—5:00pm
Phone : 312-413-5550
https://www.uicbookstore.org/
DMD Class of 2026 Resources Link
All new incoming Class of 2026 D1’s will use a link posted on our College of Dentistry website to access preparation details. The newsletter, background check and other essentials can be found here:
https://dentistry.uic.edu/academics/students/new-students/

New Student Information Survey—REQUIRED
Our college collects essential information from students including height, being left or right handed, etc. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey listed below; please be sure to submit no later than Thursday July 30, 2022, or as soon as possible if you are accepted after this date.
https://uic.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a9N9LKy04ttXKgC

Thank you for reading the entire newsletter! Please contact us if you have any questions. We wish you well in preparation for your approaching D1 year and look forward to seeing you at the D1 June Summer Meeting!