

SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR DENTAL CANDIDATES

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Welcome to the University of Illinois-Chicago, College of Dentistry.

The College is located at 801 S. Paulina Avenue, Chicago, IL 60612. This handbook has been prepared to assist dental candidates for the CDCA Dental Examination. If additional information is needed after reading this handbook, please contact Robin Waner, Director of Clinics, at (312) 996-6411 or by email, rwaner@uic.edu.

Travel and Housing Arrangements

1. Airline and Airport Information

Chicago is served by two airports: O'Hare International Airport and Midway International Airport. Depending on origination, candidates may find flights into either airport and should inquire when booking reservations.

2. Ground Transportation To/From Airports

- a. Taxi cab services, UBER, and Lyft are available to and from airports, hotels and dental school.
- b. CTA is available directly from both airports (Blue Line from O'Hare and Orange Line from Midway). During the early morning hours, trains don't run as frequently.
- b. Rental car services are available at both airports. Listed below are just a few available:
 - Avis Rent A Car – 800-352-7900; www.avis.com
 - Enterprise Rent A Car – 844-377-0170; www.enterprise.com
 - Hertz Rent a Car – 800-654-3131; www.hertz.com
- c. Directions for Driving from Airports:
 - From O'Hare International: Merge onto I-190 E / Kennedy Expy E toward I-190 / I-90 / I-294 / Chicago, Stay straight to go onto I-90 E / Kennedy Expy E, Merge onto I-290 W / Chicago-Kansas City Expressway W / Eisenhower Expy W via EXIT 51H toward West Suburbs, Take EXIT 28B toward Ashland Ave / 1600 W / Paulina St / 1700 W, Merge onto W Van Buren St., Take the 1st left onto S Ashland Ave., Turn right onto W Polk St., Take the 2nd left onto S Paulina St., destination will be on your left.
 - From Midway International: Start out going south on S Cicero Ave / IL-50, Merge onto I-55 N / Adlai E Stevenson Expy N toward Chicago, Take the Damen Ave exit, EXIT 290, toward Ashland Ave, Keep left to take the Damen Ave ramp toward 2000 W, Keep left at the fork in the ramp, Turn slight left onto S Damen Ave, Turn right onto W Roosevelt Rd, Turn left onto S Paulina St, destination will be on your right.

3. Housing

Reservations should be made directly with hotels/motels. Some hotels/motels are listed below. Candidates can inquire about shuttle services from their hotel to the dental school.

- Marriott Downtown at Medical District/UIC 2 blocks (312) 491-1234
- Chicago Hilton and Towers 5 miles (312) 922-4400

UIC College of Dentistry Facility and Services

1. Building and Access Hours

The building will be open from 6:30 am to 5:00 pm during the examination, unless otherwise requested by the CDCA examiners.

2. Parking

There is a public parking structure at the corner of Taylor and Paulina streets, just South of the College. Parking is \$15.00 per weekday, and \$9.00 per day on weekends (no validation required). There is also street meter parking available along Paulina and Taylor streets.

3. Registration and Identification Badges

Numbered badges will be issued to candidates by CDCA during candidate orientation and will serve as an I.D. throughout the examination. The badge must be worn at all times while in the building. Badges must be turned in at the completion of the examination as part of the check-out procedure.

4. ATM Machines

There is an ATM machine located on the first floor of the College near the main entrance.

5. Food Service

There are vending machines located on the 1st floor of the dental school. UI Hospital (across the street from the school) has a full service cafeteria on the first floor of the hospital that is open from 6:30 am until 7:00 pm (M-F) and 7:00 am until 2:00 pm (Sat, Sun). A number of restaurants are located on Taylor Street, 2 blocks from the dental school. Delivery is available during exams.

Patient Screening and Radiographs

1. UIC College of Dentistry **does not** provide patients for outside candidates. Candidates should not ask the school for patients or patient records.
2. UIC College of Dentistry **does not** offer clinic time for patient screenings. Candidates should not ask the school to accommodate the screening of patients.
3. **All digital candidate radiographs should be printed prior to candidate arrival. If additional printing is required, candidate should provide their own photo-quality paper.**

Preparing for the Exam

1. Cubicles (Operatories)

Each candidate will be assigned a numbered cubicle in the clinic which will correspond to the applicants numbered I.D. badge issued at packet pick-up. Each cubicle is equipped with Pelton and Crane equipment (1) dental chair, (1) front delivery unit, (1) over-head light, (1) operator stool and (1) dental assistant stool. Any equipment malfunctions should be reported to either the Director of Clinics (who will be on the clinic floor throughout the exams) or someone from the maintenance department who will be on-site throughout the day. Candidates will be allowed to move into their assigned cubicles at 6:30 am. Please note: There is minimal space available for the storage of personal items.

Kilgore Glide Bar Chair Mount, Adult Head, and Rubber Mask are provided to each candidate taking the Manikin portion of the examination.

2. Equipment, Instruments and Materials

Items supplied by the school are listed in the supplements at the end of this handbook. Any equipment or supplies on loan/rental to candidates must be returned prior to check-out.

a. Rental Fees

Candidates must use UIC College of Dentistry's handpieces and ultrasonic scaler for the patient care and manikin portions of the CDCA examination. Kavo, air turbine components are used throughout the facility. A Dentsply Cavitron SPS unit (30K) will be provided if you are challenging the Perio portion of the Patient Exam. Sterile inserts will be dispensed for this at the time of the exam. The Facility/Handpiece Usage Fee, which is non-refundable for every outside CDCA candidate, is \$500 for the full 2-day exam. If you are only taking one day of exams, the fee is \$250. This fee includes costs associated with the following:

- Equipping, preparing, maintaining, and staffing the clinics and laboratory facilities;
- Costs for disposable supplies;
- Renting of the UIC College of Dentistry handpiece cassettes and Cavitron
 - No additional adapters are available for other handpieces AND no other adapters brought to the facility on the day(s) of the exam can be installed on the College's equipment.
- The cost for renting cassettes and bur/file blocks will be an additional \$150.00 per day. Rentals can be done at the time of packet pick up or on the day of the examination. Contact Robin Waner at rwaner@uic.edu to make necessary arrangements.
- Payment can be made in the form of Cashier's Check, payable to UIC College of Dentistry, or by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover are accepted). Personal checks will NOT be accepted.

b. Ultrasonic Scalers

All dental units have quick-connect water sources. Cavitron SPS (30K) units are installed at most of the dental units and there are other units that can be hooked up at the chairside at the time of the exam. If you bring your own ultrasonic scaler, it must have a compatible quick-connect piece on the water hose. No adapters are available from the College and none that are brought in from the outside will be installed by College of Dentistry staff at the time of the exam

c. School Store

UIC College of Dentistry does not have a school store nor is there a dental supply company on site for those needing to purchase instruments, materials or equipment. As such, outside CDCA candidates should plan accordingly.

DENTAL SUPPLIES

Items Supplied by Clinical Dispensary (items not listed are the responsibility of the candidate): The College is NOT strictly latex-free although latex gloves are no longer available in the clinical or simulation areas.

Disposable supplies

Cotton gauze – 2x2
Cotton pellets
Cotton rolls
Cotton swabs
Cups, drinking
Dappen dishes
Disinfectant (Cavicide wipes and spray)
Saliva ejectors
High volume suction tips
Surgical suction tips
Air/water syringe tip, disposable
Plastic headrest/chair covers
Patient napkins
Disposable napkin holder
Paper towels
Plastic sleeves for dental equipment (hoses, curing light, etc.)
Paper tray covers
Personal protective equipment (gloves-nitrile and chloroprene, gowns, masks)
Sterilization pouches
Disposable impression trays w/adhesive spray
Disposable, sterile scalpels

Patient Care Materials/Supplies

Alginate (Jeltrate Fast Set)
Amalgam capsules (2-spill, w/zinc, regular or slow set)
Anesthetic, local and topical
Articulating paper

Con't

Biohazard bags
Bonding agent (Scotch Bond-Universal Adhesive)
Calcium hydroxide (Dycal)
Cement, temporary (Temp Bond)
Cement, permanent (Duralon, FujiCem LC)
Composites (Cosmedent Nano and Microfill, SDI Flowable-shade A2 only)
Composite curing lights (Kerr, Demi-Plus)
Denatured alcohol
Floss
Endo canal sealer
Glass Ionomer – Ketac Nano
Gutta percha, paper points
Hemostatic agents (Viscostat, Hemodent)
Isopropyl alcohol
Lab putty
Matrices (including Garrison sectional matrix)
Mouthwash
Needles, short and long
Phosphoric acid etch
Polishing materials (paste, strips, disks)
Prophy paste
Prophy angles (disposable)
RC Prep
Retraction cord
Rubber dam
SnapStone
Tooth shade guides
Temporary filling materials (Cavit, IRM)
Vita Classic Shade Guides
Wedjets
Wooden wedges

During the Board**1. Infection Control****a. Surface Asepsis**

- Handles of the unit light, x-ray heads, light cure units, air-water syringes, computer keyboard, and wireless mouse must be covered with clear plastic bags (provided) or cover wrap.
- The dental unit and counter tops should be disinfected with Cavicide.
- The patient chair should be covered with plastic bags (provided).

b. Personal Protective Equipment

- Appropriate clothing is required (Scrubs, no open toed shoes)
- Disposable gowns, gloves, masks are provided and located in the clinic.
- Candidates are to provide their own OSHA-acceptable protective glasses. The school will provide protective glasses for patients on a “loan” basis.
- Antiseptic soap is available at sinks in clinic.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the clinical and patient waiting areas.

c. Hazardous Waste

Any blood/saliva-soaked waste is considered hazardous and must be disposed of in biohazard bags. Biohazard bags may be attached to the sides of the bracket tray. At the end of each session, bags should be sealed and brought to a bio-hazardous waste container (red) located in the sterilization area.

d. Sharps Disposal

All needles, anesthetic cartridges, blades and any other potential sharps are to be placed in the red plastic sharps containers located at each cubicle.

2. Medical Emergencies

In order to alert emergency personnel to a medical emergency and not unduly alarm the patient population, the following protocol must be followed upon discovering a serious medical emergency:

- a. The patient will remain in the care of the candidate or person discovering the problem. The patient must not be left alone. The assistant or responsible person will be sent to report the problem to the College of Dentistry Faculty dentist on site.
- b. The Faculty dentist will make a judgment as to whether a “coded” emergency exists.
- c. The assistant will be sent to retrieve the emergency cart, located in room 211. Dispensary staff should also be notified and placed on stand-by until it has been determined that the victim requires additional services.

If a “coded” emergency has been declared, dispensary personnel will immediately place calls to 5-5555, UIC Police.

d. In all possible emergencies:

- Place the patient in a supine position, if unconscious

- Assess consciousness and responsiveness
- Check airway, assist respiration if indicated
- Check pulse; be prepared to perform CPR if indicated.