



## **Announcement concerning COVID-19 and the 2023-2024 AADSAS application cycle (Updated May 11, 2023)**

**Prerequisite Course Requirements:** There are no changes to the prerequisite courses that we require. Both lecture and lab components remain an admissions requirement.

**Online coursework:** Due to social distancing policies related to COVID-19 many colleges and universities across North America cancelled in-person courses during the 2020 and 2021 academic years. As a result, the School of Dentistry will accept online courses from US and Canadian regionally accredited universities for the 2020 spring, summer, fall and 2021 winter, spring and summer quarters/semesters. We will not accept online courses for the fall 2021 quarter/semester or subsequent quarters/semesters. We will not accept online or in-person coursework from schools which only offer accelerated curriculum at any time.

**Pass/No Pass:** Our standard policy is that all prerequisite courses must be completed for a letter grade. We understand that due to COVID-19 many schools are offering the option of P/NP grading. We will accept P/NP for the terms listed above under the following conditions:

- If your school presents you with P/NP as an option you should elect to take the course for a letter grade.
- In the situation in which your university's only grading option is P/NP we will make the exception.
  - However, if the minimum course grade required to earn a Pass is a C- we will not accept a Pass from that institution to fulfill a prerequisite requirement.

**Dental Shadowing:** There will not be a reduction in the minimum number of dental shadowing hours required at the time of application submission to AADSAS. OHSU requires a minimum of 50 hours of which 25 hours must occur in one or more general dental practices. This is a minimum requirement. Priority is given to those applicants who have completed this requirement at the time of application. At this time, virtual shadowing will not fulfill our minimum dental observation requirement.

**Application Deadline:** Our application deadline is January 1<sup>st</sup>.