

Howard University Policy on Equal Opportunity

The mission of Howard University includes the provision of quality education for any student, but with emphasis upon the provision of educational opportunities for those who may not otherwise have had an opportunity to acquire an education of the type provided at Howard.

In fulfilling its mission, the University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, marital status, religion, disability, age, sexual preference, political affiliation in the administration of its education policies, admissions policies, scholarships, and loan programs, and employment.

Inquiries regarding provisions for handicapped persons, equal opportunity and Title IX should be addressed to the appropriate persons as listed below:

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2nd Floor, 1851 9th Street, NW,
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 238-2420

[https://studentaffairs.howard.edu/about/
departments/office-student-services](https://studentaffairs.howard.edu/about/departments/office-student-services)

The Title IX Office
Room G06, 2400 6th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20059
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<https://www2.howard.edu/title-ix/home>

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*****8/1/2021: Updated procedure for Howard University's 2022 BS/MD Program only*****



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The College of Arts and Sciences & The College of Dentistry

B.S./D.D.S. Combined Dental Education Program



College of Dentistry

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Program Overview

The B.S./D.D.S. combined program is a special curriculum at Howard University that allows students to complete the requirements for both B.S. and D.D.S. degrees in six years.

The program consists of Phase I (two years) in the College of Arts and Sciences and Phase II (four years) in the College of Dentistry. The B.S. degree will be recommended and awarded after the first year of Phase II the program have been successfully completed; the D.D.S. degree will be awarded after all curriculum has been completed. In the year six of the program.

A limited number of students will be admitted to the College of Arts and Sciences phase of the program. Only accepted freshman students (Biology or Chemistry major only) who enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences can be considered for the B.S./D.D.S. program.

Eligibility

This program is designed for students who are admitted to Howard University who would matriculate into the College of Arts and Sciences in the Fall semester immediately after graduation from high school.

Transfer students are not eligible for the program.

All prospective B.S./D.D.S. students must have a GPA of 3.5, an ACT score of **28** or higher or the SAT score of **1300** or higher and completed or be in the process of completing the following courses prior to applying:

-Two or more years of foreign language, including literature

-High school biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics : algebra, geometry, trigonometry and **pre-calculus (required)**

Application Process for Phase I of the B.S./D.D.S Program

To apply to the College of Arts & Sciences as an **early action** (non-binding) or **early decision** (binding) applicant, with a Biology or Chemistry major, by the November 1st application deadline. You/your assigned recommenders must also submit all required supplementary B.S./D.D.S. application materials by the November 15th early document deadline in the Common Application system. Only early applicants who receive an acceptance letter from Howard University's Office of Admission will be considered for interviews. Early applicants with incomplete applications who are deferred to the regular decision admission pool are **ineligible** for consideration. Regular decision applicants are also **ineligible** for consideration.

Supplementary Materials to be submitted via the Common App.

1. An essay demonstrating interest in Dentistry and service to the people who may be less privileged than yourself (500 words - see **Writing** section of the Common App).
2. A copy of the resume (leadership, community, clinical, volunteer/service, and other Extracurricular activities - see **Activities** section of the Common App).
3. One recommendation letter from a science or math teacher
4. Two recommendation letters from community/volunteer supervisor, physician, or research mentor.

The committee of CPE will invite a **limited** amount of selected Biology/Chemistry **accepted** freshman students for program interviews between March 15th to 22nd. **Only selected students will be notified of their advancement, due to a high volume of interest in the program.** The Interview sessions will be scheduled during the month of April and the final decision for the Phase I of the B.S./D.D.S. program will be made by May 1st.

*****Admissions to the College of Arts and Sciences (Phase I of the BS/DDS program) does not automatically secure a place for the student in the Phase II of the B.S./D.D.S program.*****

Financing Your Education

Information concerning freshman scholarships, loans, and work study programs can be obtained from the Office of Financial Aid located in the Administration Building or visit: <https://www2.howard.edu/student-financial-services>

Phase II of the B.S./D.D.S Program

The following criteria must be met before approval of admission into the College of Dentistry:

- Phase I of the B.S./D.D.S. program takes place in the College of Arts and Sciences, requirements must be completed prior to admission in to the College of Dentistry.
- Each applicant must take the Dental Aptitude Test (DAT) in February (2nd year of the program).
- Students will be interviewed by the admissions committee of the College of Dentistry and the Professional Advisory Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences to determine the student's interest in the dental profession, the student's aspirations, maturity and power of expression.

All B.S./D.D.S. students must meet the academic requirement throughout the program and the required credits obtained in the College of Dentistry during **year three of the program** will serve as electives for the College of Arts and Sciences. The B.S. degree will be recommended after the requirements specified by the College of Arts and Sciences (including electives) have been completed successfully **by year three of the program.**

After all requirements for the D.D.S degree, as specified by the Howard University College of Dentistry have been successfully completed, the D.D.S. degree will be recommended. Students who do not complete the program in the College of Dentistry are required to return to the College of Arts and Sciences to complete the requirements for the regular B.S. degree program as Biology or Chemistry Major students.