2017 Summer Pre-Dental Enrichment Program for College Students (SPEP Collegiate II)

Program Curriculum:
The curriculum for the 2017 Summer Pre-Dental Enrichment Program for College Students (SPEP Collegiate II) consists of five core courses designed to augment the students' knowledge base for taking the DAT and to help them prepare for dental school:

- Introduction to the Human Body integrates the biomedical sciences within a problem-based learning environment.
- Pre-Clinical Dentistry demonstrates the application of preclinical courses to dental practice and provides hands-on experiences using dental materials.
- Learning Strategies promotes the effective use of learning techniques and study skills.
- DAT Preparation assists participants in preparing to take the Dental Admission Test.
- Investigating Dentistry provides students with an opportunity to investigate a dental topic and present the findings.
- In addition, the students participate in workshops and activities such as:
  - Cultural competence seminar
  - Pre-admissions counseling

Participant Support:
- Stipend to cover the cost of food and miscellaneous expenses
- Housing Accommodations
- *DAT application fee
- Clinic and laboratory supplies
- Notebooks and other instructional materials
- Access to College’s nurse *if taken within 6 months of the start of the program

Participant Responsibilities:
- Travel expenses (to, from and during program)
- Immunization fees

Program Objectives:
The six-week SPEP Collegiate II program will provide college and post-college students an opportunity to:

- Prepare to successfully take the DAT
- Strengthen their academic science background
- Learn more about the field of dental medicine
- Broaden their interest in biomedical and clinical sciences
- Learn useful study patterns for professional study
- Increase their competitiveness for admission to dental school
- Enhance their success once admitted to dental school

How to Apply:
All applicants must complete and submit the SPEP Collegiate II on-line application and all supporting documents by January 31, 2017.

The SPEP Collegiate II on-line application is available at:
- https://bamf.tamhsc.edu/2
- Create a username and password by clicking “REGISTER”
- Complete the following assigned documents:
  - Statistical Questionnaire
  - 2017 SPEP Collegiate II Primary Application
- Submit one letter of recommendation from a predental/advisory committee OR two letters from science professors from courses taken
- Submit most current official transcripts from all accredited college/universities attended

Detailed instructions about supporting documents can be found on the on-line application

Program Dates: May 22 - June 30, 2017
Deadline for Application: January 31, 2017
Notification Date: March 10, 2017
Selection Process:
A selection committee, composed of the Program Director and Program Faculty, will review all applications and interview up to 50 applicants by phone to determine applicant motivation.

Preference will be given to applicants who are currently enrolled in a four year college/university or who have earned a Bachelor’s degree.

Number of Participants:
A minimum of twenty (20) applicants will be selected.

Dental Admissions Test (DAT):
The College will cover the application fee for the DAT if taken within six months after the Program’s registration deadline. If you’re applying in the 2017-2018 application cycle, we strongly recommend you take the DAT by July 31, 2017.

Participants must study for the DAT before the program begins and after it ends. Studying for the DAT should include taking multiple practice tests.

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Texas A&M College of Dentistry Location:
Located in the heart of Dallas, Texas A&M College of Dentistry is adjacent to the Baylor University Medical Center and is the only dental school serving North Texas. The College consists of more than 276,000 square feet of modern clinical areas, laboratories, research facilities, and instructional space.

For over 100 years, the College of Dentistry has been a Texas resource with an established tradition of excellence in education, service and research.

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